Gingerbread House Nametag/Mugrug/Pincushion

Finished size about 5" square

Supplies:

5 ½" jumbo rickrack

5 1/2" square backing

5 1/2" square interfacing or stabilizer

5 ½" x 3" roof

2 3" background squares

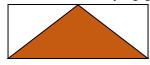
2 2" x 3" house sides

2 1" x 3" sidelights

1 ½"x 3" door

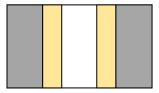


Step 1: Make the roof by using the stitch and flip method to make a flying geese unit.



Step 2: Make the house by sewing in order House – Sidelight – Door – Sidelight – House Your top should now be 5 ½" wide.

Hint: Strip Piece for large numbers of nametags!



Step 3: Pin the rickrack to the top of the house piece, so that the seam will be in the center of the rickrack. Pin the roof on top of the rickrack, and then sew the seam to finish the top. It should be $5\frac{1}{2}$ square.

Step 4: Assemble the sandwich. Place the stabilizer down first, then the house face up, and then the backing face down.

Sew around leaving an opening on one side large enough to get your finger in to turn it rightside out. Backstitch the start and stop of the opening.

Step 5: Turn right side out. Push out the corners. Pin the opening, and then topstitch close to the edge all around. This will close the opening so that you don't need to handstitch.

Note for pincushion: Don't topstitch. Fill the space with batting or fill with ground walnut shells using a funnel, but keep the stabilizer between the batting and the backing. This will give the house a smooth top. Handstitch closed.