

## Project – Photo Quilt

### Materials

- Color inkjet printer
- Scanner, digital camera, or digital photos
- Sewing machine
- Iron
- A hard, non-porous surface (like a wooden cutting board)
- Twelve 10 1/2" x 10 1/2" fabric squares; use shades of white for photo transfers, solids and prints for a splash of color. (Only cotton and cotton/polyester blends can be used for iron-on transfers.)
- Cotton blend throw (fine weave preferred)
- Iron-on T-shirt transfer paper
- Fabric fixative and fabric adhesive
- Fun buttons, fabric paints, beads, rhinestones, and ribbon to decorate edges of squares

### Instructions

1. After importing your photos into the PC, you can use photo-editing software like Microsoft® Picture It! to alter, enhance, or resize them. To create a uniform patchwork design (like our example), you'll need to size your photos into a 8" x 8" square.
2. Print your images onto the transfer paper (remember to reverse the image).
3. Run a bead of fabric fixative along the edges of the squares and allow to dry. This will keep the fabric from fraying (good for ribbon edges, too).
4. Fold under and press all four sides 1/2" (finished size will be 10").
5. Iron your transfer paper images onto the white squares (we recommend testing the process first with an extra piece of fabric and printed transfer).
6. Organize your design by placing the finished photo squares on top of the throw (squares should be 3" from the outer edges). Pin into place.
7. Sew the squares onto the throw, either by hand or with a sewing machine (a top- or zigzag-stitch works best).

### Finishing touches

This is the time for everyone to be creative and put those special touches on your memory quilt. We used ribbon, fabric paint, rhinestones, and fun buttons to decorate the photo squares.









