



Wrapping Up 2010

December Lotto Block



Let's wrap up 2010 with a simple Christmas package (with a present attached). We are going to add **a little something extra** with our lotto blocks.

Fabric:

- (1) 13" square-resembling holiday wrapping paper.
- (1) 1½" x 30" strip-for contrasting ribbon.
- (1) Scrap for 'cookie cutter' shape instead of bow.
- (1) 12½" square-different holiday-type fabric (for gift).

Method:

- 1) Cut 13" square *vertically* 4" from the left edge.



4"

- 2) Cut 1½ x 13" strip off contrasting ribbon fabric. Stitch between both package sections. Press toward ribbon. (If seams show through a 'light' colored ribbon, press toward package).



- 3) Cut 'package' *horizontally* 4" from the top edge cutting through inserted ribbon.

- 4) Sew remaining strip between sections matching package edges. Press.



- 5) Trim block to 12 ½" square.

"Cookie Cutter" decoration (instead of a bow).



Method:

- 1) Trace around cookie cutter (or draw your own) on to fusible (must be able to stitch through). Try fussy cutting over a cute design in the fabric.
- 2) Press onto *wrong* side of scrap of fabric following manufacturer's directions.
- 3) Cut out on drawn line.
- 4) Fuse holiday "cookie cutter" shape over ribbon intersection. (If 'ribbon/wrapping paper' show through the "cookie cutter," you may wish to interface the fabric before fusing onto package).
- 5) Winner(s) will machine appliqué around "cookie cutters."



A Little Something Extra...

Don't most packages have a gift inside? Why should this one be any different?



Please attach a second 12 ½" square of a different holiday type fabric and pin to the bottom of your block. Voila! A special gift for the lucky winner!

Another Fun Idea:

How about making a second package for our guild's annual Christmas block exchange at the December meeting? Be creative and add embellishments.

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