

Let It Snow, Man!
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The Proposal

Fabric suggestions:

Blue for sky (13" square)
White print for snow background
(5" x 13)
Secondary white for heads,
bodies & hands
Burgundy print for lady's jacket,
hat trim & pompom
Pink for lady's hat top and collar
Orange for noses
Blue print for man's jacket
Black for man's hat
Red print for man's hat trim &
scarf
Secondary Red for valentines and
gift

**Other items : (see designer's
notes)**

Template material
Fusible web if desired
White ribbon or lace for gift box &
bow
Black embroidery floss for faces &
balloon strings



Designer's Notes:

If you are going to appliqué, add your usual 1/8 - 1/4" turn under to the templates. If you are fusing, cut out the templates as they are, following manufacturer's fusible web instructions. The templates have been traced in reverse for you, but you will have to do one nose in reverse for the lady. Decorative blanket stitching or machine stitching will be needed on those raw edges.

The templates are listed alphabetically from **A - U**, in the order in which they are applied to the background fabrics. Most dashed-line pieces are underneath another piece, except for the man's hat, these lines are for the hat trim.

The snow people are situated close to the bottom edge (3/4") to give room for the balloons.

Instructions:

1. Cut the sky background block 13" square. This will be trimmed down to 12 1/2" after the appliqué pieces have been added and the block is finished.
2. Add the snow background next, which is roughly cut 5" x 13". Cutting it somewhat wavy gives it a softer and natural look.
3. Cut out **all** the template pieces first and turn under the raw edges. Then pin them where they should be placed on the block, allowing for proper positioning from the bottom to the top. Be sure to add the template pieces in alphabetical order, stitching as you go, on the solid lines.
4. Detail the facial features and balloon lines with black embroidery floss or fabric marker, and add a ribbon and bow to the gift box. Machine stitching all around the orange fabric gives the noses more dimension.
5. Trim the finished block to 12 1/2".

Feel free to alter or change any portions of this block to make it yours by adding your own color scheme and ideas. Hope you enjoy and have as much fun making this block as I did, with both aspects -- designing and making of the block. Happy Quilting! 