

DIY Ruler Table Runner

Photos and Tutorial found on AnnsEntitledLife.com

DIY Ruler Table Runner Materials:

- $2\frac{1}{2}$ yards Fabric- This tutorial uses a tan denim since the fabric is thick. You need to choose a fabric that will not allow the paint to seep through pick a "dense" fabric for this project.
- Tape Measure
- Straight Edge Ruler
- Scissors
- Straight Pins
- Sewing Machine
- Needle
- Thread (that matches your fabric choice)
- Iron
- Pencil
- Printer
- Black Fabric Paint
- Small Paint Brush
- Scotchgard Fabric Protector

DIY Ruler Table Runner Instructions:

- Start by making your table runner.
- You want to cut your fabric to be 15 inches by 73 inches.
- **Tip:** For a little short cut simply fold your fabric lengthwise inwards 15 inches and pin.
- Then take your scissors and cut at the fold to end up with two strips of fabric measuring 15 inches by 90 inches.
- Then measure out 73 inches and cut.
- Now you should have two strips of fabric that are 15 inches by 73 inches.
- Pin together and sew around the edges with your sewing machine using a 1/2 inch seam, be certain to leave about a 5 inch opening in order to flip your runner right side out.

- Once you have turned the table runner right side out you can hand sew the opening shut with your needle and thread.
- You should end up with a runner measuring 14 inches by 72 inches (the width is not as important as the length).
- Iron your fabric now to ensure a nice flat surface to make your marks.
- Using your measuring tape, start by measuring out every 12 inches do this on the top and the bottom of your material.
- Then use your straight edge and draw a straight line with your pencil. (These are your foot markers)
- Now use your measuring tape and pencil, measure every inch and a half and place a small mark again do this on the top and bottom, but do **not** draw a straight line this time.
- Within one foot you should have 7 marks. Using your straight edge ruler extend the marks as follows within each foot
- *one inch
- * two inches
- * one inch
- * two and a half inches
- * one inch
- * two inches
- * one inch

Do this for all 6 feet of your runner.

- Using your computer printer, print off numbers 1-6 using Century Font with the font size being 500.
- Cut the numbers out.
- Place the numbers in order on your runner with each number to the left side of its corresponding foot line.
- Trace the number with a pencil.
- Repeat this step for all 6 numbers.
- Now it is time to paint!
- Simply trace all of your pencil marks with your paint brush.
- Fill in the traced numbers with your black fabric paint.
- Allow to paint dry completely.
- Apply a second coat if necessary. Allow paint to dry completely.
- Scotchgard your ruler table runner to help protect it from the stains and dust of daily use.
- Spot clean.