

Mantle Cloth Instructions

The mantle cloth projects are all designed to function in the same manner. You will need to first decide on the mantle length you want, and make sure you have sufficient fabric to accommodate that size and also make sure that your machine throat can actually reach all portions of the pattern in one pass.

You also need to decide whether you want to manually bind your mantel cloth or use the envelope binding/backing method. If you're going to manually bind your mantel cloth, you will want to load your backing fabric wrong side up (same as for any quilt). If you plan to use the envelope binding/backing method, you can load any fabric (muslin, etc) as your first layer, as it will end up inside the project.

In this example, we plan to use the envelope binding/backing method for Mantle Snowman 001:

The default pattern size is 17.85" x 49.23

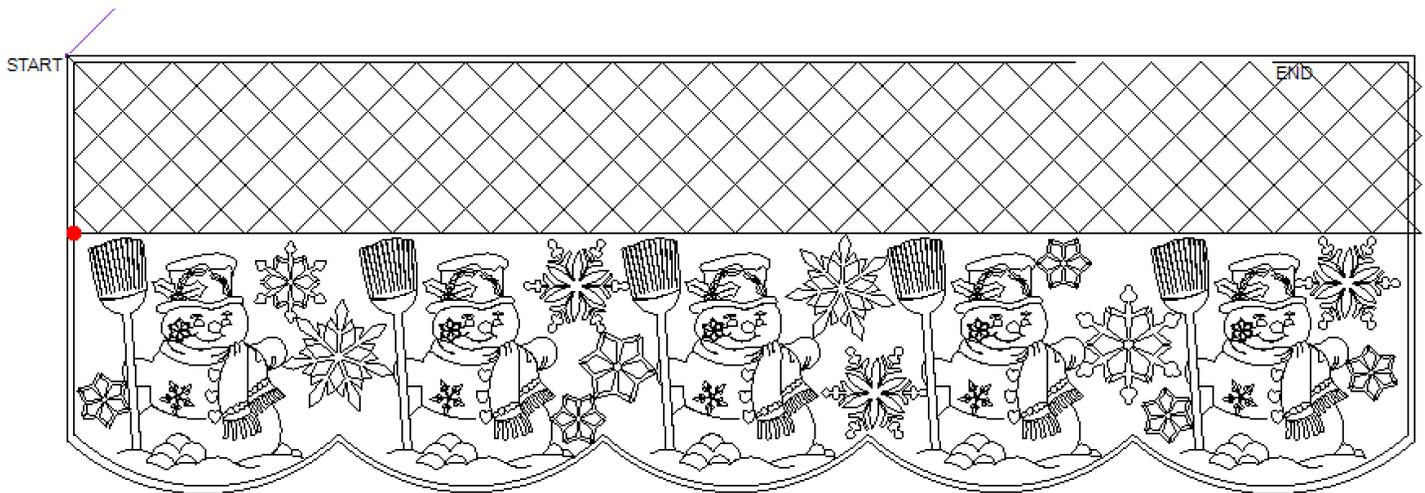
Load muslin 56" long by width of fabric (but at least 20" in width). Load the muslin lengthwise.

Load your preferred batting.

Load your mantle front fabric, right side up and baste or pin the top fabric to the batting and backing.

Move the pattern on your computer screen into position, making sure that your needle can access the entire pattern. Quilt.

We strongly suggest that you use a minimum of 14 stitches per inch for this project and select pause at jump stitches.



In Statler software, there is a designer pause at which the stitching will stop and you will be prompted to lay down the fabric you actually want to show on the back of the mantle cloth. Stay with your project. It will stop stitching at that designer pause (RED DOT IN IMAGE ABOVE). Place your fabric face down over the stitched area and pin in place, making sure your fabric completely covers the stitched area and your pins are outside of that stitched area. Quilt. The machine will move to just inside the stitched area and quilt the perimeter of the mantle cloth, leaving an opening for turning the project inside out. Harvest the project and trim 1/4" from outer seam, clipping curves and corners. Turn inside out. Some quilters will simply press the outer edges and others prefer to top stitch this outer edge. Whip stitch closed the turn opening.

