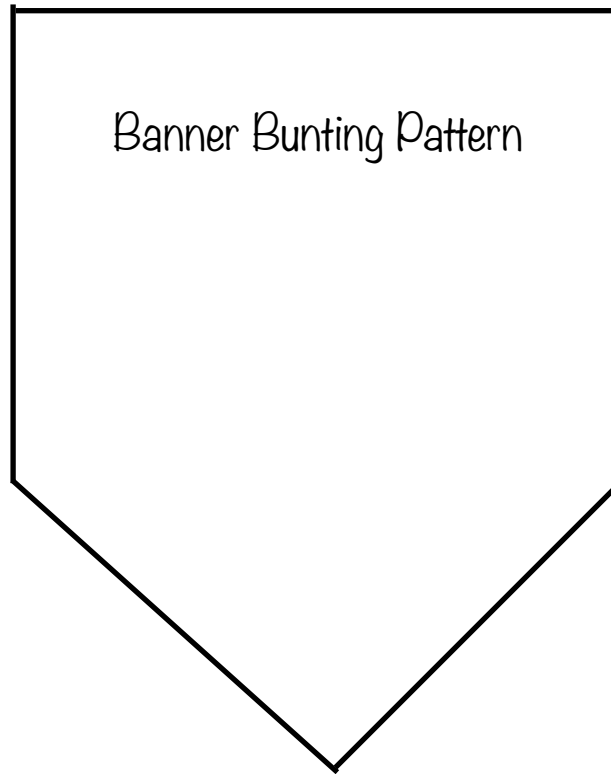


# Banner Bunting

## Pattern & Tutorial

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Print this page in card stock and cut out the flag pattern. Use for a pattern to cut your fabric scraps and interfacing.



## Supplies:

- 3" x 4" Fabric Scraps (you will need two for each little banner)
- HeatnBond Lightweight Non-Woven Fusible Interfacing
- Pressing Paper
- HeatnBond Fabric Fuse Liquid
- PeelnStick Removable Rule Tape
- 1/4" Double Fold Bias Binding
- Flag Bunting Pattern Piece
- Rotary Cutter and Ruler
- Wonder Clips (optional)
- Tailor's Awl (optional)

Step One: Print your pattern piece (I prefer to print on card stock, but regular paper is fine). Cut out the pattern piece and set aside for now.



Step Two: Gather your fabric scraps and press them. Cut each scrap to 3" x 4". You will need two pieces of fabric for each banner. It is up to you on how many banners you want in your bunting. You will also cut the same number of the lightweight interfacing pieces the same size.

Step Three: Iron each interfacing piece to the wrong side of each fabric piece. I use pressing paper to make sure that my iron is protected.





Step Four: Using your pattern and a rotary cutter and ruler, cut all your little banners.

Step Five: Place two fabric banner pieces right sides together. Sew 1/4 inch seam along the straight sides and the along the bottom point, leaving the top open. (I use the PeelNStick Ruler Tape as a guide.) Sew all your banners in this way.





Step Six: Snip off the points of each banner (be careful not to cut into the seam.). Turn right sides out through the top opening. Use a sharp object to push out the bottom point of the banner. Be careful not to poke a hole.

Step Seven: Iron each banner nice and flat. Now use a small ruler and rotary cutter to cut off any hanging threads or uneven sewing along the top (opened) edge. This step makes the banners fit into the bias tape nice and smooth!



Step Eight: Gather your bias binding, fabric fuse and wonder clips. At this point, I do not cut my binding to length.



Step Nine: Open up your bias binding where you plan to place your first banner. (Be sure to leave a “tail” of binding at least 12 inches in length for hanging when you are finished.). Place a few small drops of Fabric Fuse Liquid Adhesive on the top edge of that banner.



Step Ten: Place your banner inside the bias binding on the liquid adhesive and fold the binding over it. Press the binding with an iron to set the adhesive. Use a wonder clip to give a little more security while you move to the next banner. You can leave as much space between banners as you like. (You can also use the adhesive on the back of the banner, but I found just using it on one side held it adequately for sewing.)

Step Eleven: Continue in this manner until you have all your banners held in place and carefully take the bunting to your sewing machine and sew a seam on the open edge of the bias binding. You will want to sew as close to that edge as you can in order to make sure the entire raw edge of each banner is secure. I use a stylus to just help hold the binding in place as I sew.



And YAY! You have made an adorable banner bunting. These are so much fun to hang in a window, along the top of a mirror, or honestly just anywhere.

You can carefully fold them on top each other, place in a little plastic sleeve and gift to someone who needs their day brightened up! It will do it, I promise!



A number of years ago, I flew to Vermont and attended a sewing retreat with about 20 ladies I'd never met in person before. I knew I wanted to take a gift to each of them and these buntings were what I chose! I still keep in touch with many of them and they still mention my buntings! So... get sewing!