Ho Ho Ho Tree Skirt
Web-only Bonus Pattern

Finished Size: 40” x 40”

Number of appliquéd Santa Blocks and Finished Size:
4 blocks 18” x 18”

Yardage Requirements
... Green plaid - 1 1/4 yards
... Green solid - 10” x 13” (holly leaves)
... Red - 2 1/4 yards (sashing, triangles, Santa's hat & mouth, holly berries, backing and binding)
... Flesh - Fat quarter (Santa's face)
... White - 3/4 yard
... Batting - 44” x 44”
... Paper-backed fusible web - 1 yard
... 8 buttons 5/8” (eyes)
... Sewing thread
... Machine quilting thread

Cutting Instructions (Assemble Template Diagrams Drawing to make Templates)

Green Plaid
... Cut 4 squares 20” x 20” (oversized for trimming)

Green solid
... Cut 4 each Template I/IR

Red
... Cut 4 Template B
... Cut 4 Template F
... Cut 12 Template J
... Cut 4 squares 4 3/8” x 4 3/8”
... Cut 3 strips 4 3/8” x 14 5/8”
... Cut 2 strips 1 1/2” x 14 5/8”

Flesh
... Cut 4 Template A

White
... Cut 4 Template C
... Cut 4 Template D
... Cut 4 Template E
... Cut 4 each Template G/GR
... Cut 4 each Template H/HR
... Cut 11 squares 4 3/8” x 4 3/8”
... Cut 2 rectangles 2 1/2” x 4 3/8”

Appliquéd Blocks
Step 1. Trace Templates A-J on paper side of paper-backed fusible web. Cut apart, leaving small margin beyond drawn lines. Following manufacturer's instructions, fuse to wrong side of appropriate fabrics; cut apart on drawn lines.

Step 2. Finger press green plaid squares in half on both length and width; use folds as placement guide. Referring to Diagram I, position template fabrics. Following manufacturer's instructions, fuse in place to make 4 Santa Blocks. Appliqué edges by machine or hand using buttonhole stitch (Diagram II). Square blocks to 18 1/2” x 18 1/2”.

Step 3. Using Diagram III-A and III-B as a guide, add 2 white and 1 red triangles to corners (quick piece using 4 3/8” x 4 3/8” squares). Check to make sure color placement is same as shown in Diagrams. Measure and mark 4 1/8” on each side of remaining corner of green plaid square. Using marks as a guide, cut corner off of square.
Quick piecing: Draw line diagonally on wrong side of red square. Sew on line and cut away excess fabric 1/4" from seamline. Repeat steps for 2 white squares.

**Assembling Tree Skirt**

**Step 4.** Sew red 2 1/2" x 14 5/8" strip to white 2 1/2" x 4 3/8" rectangle (Diagram IV-A). Make 2 sashing strips.

**Step 5.** Sew red 4 3/8" x 14 5/8" strip to white 4 3/8" x 4 3/8" square (Diagram IV-B) Make 3 sashing strips.

**Step 6.** Using Assembly Diagram as a guide, sew blocks and sashing together to make tree skirt. Leave seam open between two 2 1/2" x 18 1/2" sashing strip.

**Step 7.** Make a circle cutting guide using Template K diagram. Place assembled tree skirt top on a flat surface. Using Diagram V as a guide, lay circle cutting guide (Template K) over square opening. Draw line around template. Using line as a guide, cut on line to make circular opening.

**Step 8.** Using Diagram VI as a placement guide, appliquéd holly leaves and berries on white trapezoids on each side of tree skirt. When appliquing pieces on side that is split, be sure to leave room for binding to be attached.

**Step 9.** Layer and baste tree skirt top for quilting method of your choice. After quilting has been completed, trim backing and batting even with edge of tree skirt top. Using top's open side and center circle as cutting guide, cut batting and backing between 2" wide sashing strips and around center circle.

**Step 10.** Bind outer edge, slit and center circle of tree skirt with bias-cut red fabric.

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Template Diagrams
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Align top of taped sections 3-4 with broken line ... tape together
Templates are printed reversed and without seam allowance for use with paper-backed fusible web.

Align left edge of Section 1 with broken line ... tape sections together.

Align top of taped sections 3-4 with broken line ... tape together.
Paper cutting scissors and transparent tape will be needed when assembling Santa appliqué drawing.

**Step 1.** Using paper cutting scissors, cut out Sections 1 through 4 using red lines as guide.

**Step 2.** Tape Section 1 to Section 2, using broken line as alignment guide. Note: When taping the sections together, align the appliqué lines, rather than the top and/or bottom of the two sections. The sections may vary a little in size, depending on how accurately they are printed and cut out. A little variance in section size is okay ... it will not affect alignment of the appliqué lines.

**Step 3.** Tape Section 3 to Section 4.

**Step 4.** Tape Sections 1-2 to 3-4 to make Template Diagrams Drawing.
Align left edge of Section 3 with broken line ... tape sections together

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Tree Skirt
Center Opening
Cutting Guide