

The 12 days of Christmas 2025

We are making a block keeper, and then 9 blocks to go inside, so a lovely keepsake, something a bit special plus you'll have enough blocks to make a small quilt if you wish! It's going to be a fun 12 days!

Day 3 - Making the block keeper

Cut the spine of your keeper : 16.5" x 2.5"

Cut the borders for both blocks previously made:

4 x 12.5" x 2.5"

4 x 16.5 x 2.5"

Cut the backing of the keeper 34.5" x 16.5"

Cut the wadding for the keeper 34.5" x 16.5"

Cut 3 pieces of wadding 32" x 14" for the keeper sleeves. You can do more if you wish.

Cut 2 pieces of ribbon 18" long.

Sew the borders onto your blocks, follow the video.

Attach the spine, so both blocks are either side of the spine. Attach the wadding for the keeper and quilt these layers only together, keep it simple.

Place your ribbon in the center of the block keeper outer sides, watch the video. Place the backing and quilted keeper right sides together. Pin all layers in place securely and sew around leaving a turning gap of 5", approximately. Turn through press well and top stitch or glue the turning gap closed.

Lay your sleeves one at a time on the spine, please watch the video. Pin very carefully and sew on the right side of your keeper to ensure an even line of stitching. You may need to trim these after your keeper is completed.

Don't worry if you cannot follow the cutting or piecing diagrams, that's what I am here for! We will cut and sew the pieces together, nice and slowly. The Facebook live videos will be uploaded to Youtube and added to the 12 Days of Christmas playlist on my channel.

All of our blocks are from the first set of the Quilt builder card deck.

Here are the cutting instructions for this block in 12.5", if you want to make the other sizes you'll need to buy the card deck. Available from Amazon.