

Cutting “S” and “Z” shaped Leaves with Leaves Galore

Use any of the Leaves Galore templates to create “S” and “Z” shaped curve. These curves can be used as poinsettia petals, or as ribbon segments for ribbon borders for your quilt.

Step 1: Apply fusible to the back of two contrasting fabrics. Stack fabrics right side up.

Step 2: Cut your first serpentine line with the Leaves Galore template, close to the right edge of your fabric stack

Step 3: Slide the template down and to the left to the desired width of your ribbon. Mark the letters on the template that intersect with the previously cut line. Record these letters so that your ribbons can be reproduced exactly each time you cut. Photo 2 shows the two edges lining up at the letter “g” on the template.

Step 4: Cutting fabric right side up gives you an “S” shape, right side down results in a “Z” shape.

Photo three shows how to cut many “S” shapes by sliding down and to the left after each cut. Always use your letter “g” on the template to make the “S” shapes the same size. If you have trouble getting the “S” shapes the same size, use one that you cut from the first row, and place it over the second row to ensure you are making the shapes the same size. This photo also shows how I use the extra pieces that are not full “S” shapes, to cut additional shapes of petals or ribbon ends.

