

# Medieval Tapestries

## on your printer !

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Medieval Tapestries that are woven would be very expensive to purchase for a castle room box. There are many products available to reproduce tapestries for only a few dollars. We will cover a few types that anyone can use.

Most Craft Stores and fabric stores carry these products. Some things you may have in your home, freezer paper, cotton fabric and your iron can be used to produce a nice wall hanging. An ink jet color copier printer is required.

I have a couple of pictures of tapestries included in this How To. If you would like something else there are many pictures available. Google "Medieval Tapestries" and save pictures to your hard drive.

**1<sup>st</sup> Method** we will discuss is freezer paper, cotton or cotton blend fabric. Cut a piece of freezer paper that is 8 ½ in x 11 in. Iron it onto your cotton and trim it with very sharp exacto knife and a metal ruler. Scissors can be used but be sure they are sharp. Check your printer and put your sheet in to your paper tray. Pull up the picture you want to use and print it out. Be sure it is completely dry before handling. Pull fabric from freezer paper and apply a tiny amount of glue around the edges and trim. You may also use an iron on fusible such as Wonder Under or

**2<sup>nd</sup> Method** is to purchase a Color Copy Transfer Kit. This kit contains several sheets of transfer paper. Use the picture of a tapestry and print it on a sheet. Several brands are available. You need to set printer for mirror image. Try to iron on as soon as you can. Some brands will distort / blur if not used for a great length

**3<sup>rd</sup> Method** is to purchase Photo fabric, it is already on paper backing and you can print a picture from your computer or color copy it. Allow to dry for at least 30 mins. Before heat setting with your iron then peel paper backing off and iron onto another piece of fabric for a tapestry.

**4<sup>th</sup> Method.** You can purchase a liquid fixative to use with your fabric. Fabric is soaked in this and then using method #1 proceed to make your wall hanging tapestry. I think if you Google it you can find where there the product is found.

Be sure you read all the directions as brands may differ in applications. Some need to be rinsed before heat setting, some after.

I hope you will try this out and let the group know of your results,

Thank you

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