Colour Combinations:

All tiles are ceramic tiles

What You Need:

Equipment:
1. Rectangle plywood base measuring (70cm x 25cm = 27.3inches x 9.8inches) minimum thickness 70mm (0.3inches)
2. Tile cutter and tile nipper
3. Container for mixing your grout
4. Cloth and sponge for wiping off the grout
5. Latex gloves for grouting
6. Carbon paper and pencil for tracing the pattern onto the container.
7. Old paintbrush to use to coat the tiles with glue.

Materials:
1. White soluble PVA adhesive or keycoat.
2. Ceramic Tiles measuring (15cm x 15cm = 5.9inches x 5.9inches)
   - 3 tiles
   - 4 tiles
3. Wood glue / WeldBond
4. White grout.
5. Grout sealant
6. Piece of felt fabric for the underside of the table runner. (75cm x 25cm = 29.3inches x 9.8inches)
1. Use carbon paper to trace your pattern onto your plywood board. Then seal it with 50% diluted white PVA adhesive or keycoat. This will prepare and seal them. I was really stupid and used masonite - I could barely see my pattern - so use a light coloured board.

2. Use your tile cutter to cut big squares (3cmx3cm = 1.2inchesx1.2inches) and then use your tile nippers to halve them into smaller squares.

3. The trick with this pattern is to first lay your tiles around the edges of the lines so that you get straight lines. Then fill in the rest with tiles.

4. Remember, work neatly and try keep the same space between the tiles for the grout. The more even the space the better the piece looks afterwards.

5. Follow the same process for the other colours. I cut them smaller so that there is a difference in tile sizes, I think it makes the piece look more interesting.

6. As you can see, Iím trying to keep the same distance between my tiles. This is a very good exercise in creating straight lines in mosaicing!

8. Almost done - Iím now going to fill in the background colour. You may notice, I most always do my backgrounds last as I find if I do the other sections first my work looks a lot neater.

9. Use the edges of the tiles to stick on the edge of your piece.
How To:

1. This is a closeup shot of what the piece looks like finished before grouting.

2. Grout with dark or light grout depending on your preference. Once the grout is semi-dry, wipe off the excess with old newspaper. Buff up with a soft cloth when the grout is fully dry. Wear your latex gloves or you will not have any skin left on your fingers and remember to seal your piece with grout sealant.

3. This is a closeup shot of the piece after I have grouted it.

4. Lastly, when you have cleaned off the grout from the underside of the table runner, take some wood glue and stick the felt material on the underside. This will prevent any scratches occurring on your dining room table when you put heavy pots etc. on the piece.
Pattern Reference Code: MS004

Modern Table Runner
The Pattern: