

5 Minute Sewing Machine Cover by Patchwork Posse

I was at first thinking that I wanted to use a heavier weight fabric— and that not require a lining...sweet. But, when I sat there spinning in my sewing chair and staring at the shelf full of folded fabric {still new enough in the room it isn't all messed up yet} I glanced at some kitchen towels. That's right. A kitchen towel. Guess what?

It is a brilliant substitution for us girls who are a bit on the casual {not lazy} side of sewing. I mean, I want things done quickly! Who wants to spend all that time hemming and sizing and cutting? Not me! So, go grab a kitchen towel and you are totally set to have yourself a cover in about 5 minutes.



Materials needed

- kitchen towel 30 X 18 1/2" with 4 finished/hemmed edges
- OR Fabric 31" X 19 1/2" Hem all 4 edges
- Ribbons 2– 7" long

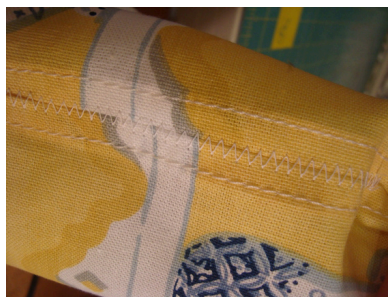
Notice that if you have directional fabric— the back will be upside down! Most tea towels repeat the pattern on both edges, so there isn't any upside down business.

Step 1:

Fold towel in half and from the top folded edge measure down 7".

Make a mark on the inside of BOTH sides

Butt both edges up to each other matching up the marks you made. Zig-Zag this edge all the way up to the fold. Don't worry about getting it all the way, because you will be sewing a box pleat in the corner. Plus it's a pain! So, stop when it gets difficult.

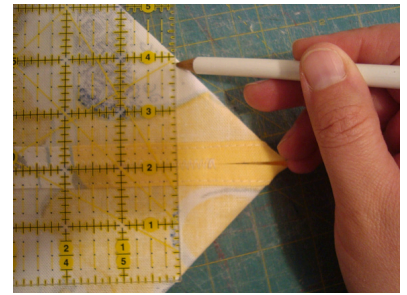


Step 2:

Fold the top edge {see the corner not sewn with zig-zag} so that zig-zag stitching is right in the middle.

Take your ruler and from edge to edge it should measure 4". The zig-zag being right in the middle at 2".

Draw a line.



Sew on this Drawn line.

Turn right sides out and try on machine. If you need it wider, now is the time to adjust! Re-measure to 5" and re-sew the line.

Trim off extra corner.

Step 3:

Grab your ribbon— Let's get the ties on! Re-fold the towel and from the folded edge measure 8" and make a mark on the

inside of

each side. {Same process as the above steps.}

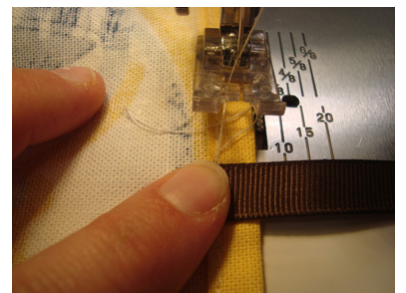
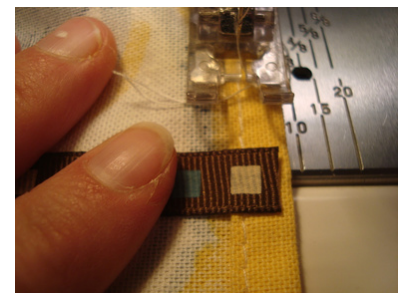
Lay the ribbon wrong side facing the wrong side of the towel.

Sew it down. You want the

edge of the ribbon to be just short of the edge.

Fold the ribbon over on the sew spot and sew it again.

Repeat for other side.



Slip onto your sewing machine and try it out.