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## “Simple Personalized Sewing Machine Cover”

**Description:** This pattern was designed for a simple sewing machine cover that you can make using the measurements of your machine. No pre-printed pattern pieces are necessary. Full color pictures and instructions are included



*Finished Personalized Cover*

Materials needed:

**3/4 yard (45 inch )Material— The fabric used in the example is a printed canvas**

**Plain Material to embroider or to write on ( visit the scrap bins ) Cut the plain material to the size desired**

**Matching Thread**

**Stabilizer if using an embroidery machine**

**If not embroidering use Permanent Markers, Puffy Paint or stamp pads and ink  
( heat set the Permanent Markers and ink with your iron)**





Wash and dry your fabric per the recommended material settings. Iron it on low. If you will be embroidering it, stabilize first. If you will be using permanent pens or paint, now is the time to personalize and use your iron to heat set the ink if necessary



Using your tape measure you will take all of the measurements of your machine across the top front to back, side to side and the width of the base. Write these numbers down.

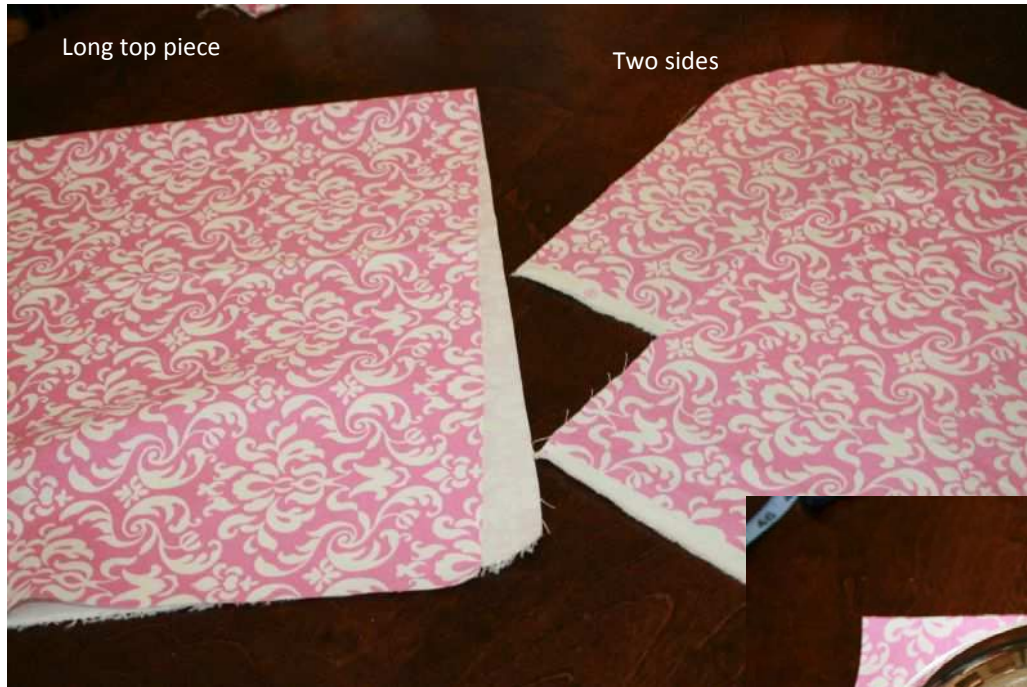






Small pieces of fabric in the remnant pile are a great choice for this project. Our material is a beautiful printed canvas with a cost under \$5.00. This is a very economical project!

Once you know your distance over the top of the machine and the width, cut your fabric the right size side to side and make sure to add enough fabric for your 5/8 inch seam allowance. Our machine is just under 18 inches wide so we cut our fabric 1 1/4 inches wider. The length of your fabric will be twice your measurement from the bottom to the top. Ours was roughly 15 inches so we multiplied that times two and added a generous amount to ensure enough for a hem later; around 3 inches for a grand total of 33 inches in length.



You will also cut two shorter pieces that will be the sides. Use your measurement of the machine's base and make sure to add enough for your seam allowance for the width. The length can be figured using half of your long fabric. We estimated our length of the two sides using the height of our machine and trimmed later when hemming.

Use a bowl to cut the curved top on the two side pieces







Once you complete the personalized portion you will lay that facing up on the front of the long piece of material. Try to center it. You can use your iron to press the edges all around the outside of the piece because you will be doing a topstitch to attach it to your cover.



Pin it securely all the way around so that it does not move once you begin sewing. Make sure it is pinned only on the part of the fabric that will be the front and not all the way through to the area that will be the back



A decorative stitch on your machine can be used which may mean changing the foot. A regular straight stitch would look very nice also.





Position the foot very close to the edge and make sure the stitching stays on the plain fabric going all the way around



Complete the decorative stitch



Now it is time to attach the sides to the long piece of fabric. As you can see from the picture when you fold over and place the side piece into the long piece laying flat there may be a difference in the length. When you sew a curve versus a straight line, the curve side will take a little bit extra fabric length. That is why you are generous when you cut the length on that first long piece. Once it is pinned and sewn you can trim off any extra length from the bottom of the long piece.







You can measure any difference in length. Our material difference was 3 inches, so we split that number and decided to start our pinning at 1 1/2 inches from the bottom of the long piece on one side. By doing this we would use up extra fabric along the curve and end closer to the end of the piece on the other side. This would make for less trimming at the end. Figuring curves is tricky so always err on the side of giving yourself extra fabric to work with.



Open the long piece of fabric and place the side piece and the long piece right sides together starting from your bottom measurement on the long piece. Place pins up to the point where the curve of your side starts





Once you get to the curve you will work the fabric ends together gradually. Pin as you go. The fabric may look like it wants to pucker but if you pin closely together, it will keep it smooth while stitching.



Continue pinning all along the curve of your side. As you can see now it is moving toward the front of the long piece.

The entire side is neatly pinned.





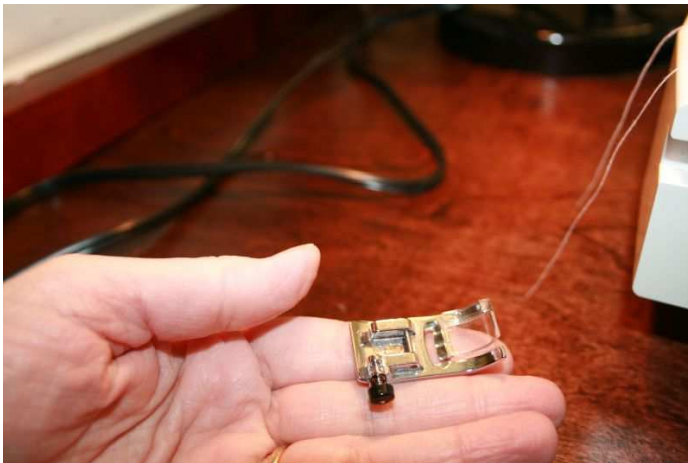


Now you will pin the other side

Both sides are pinned.



Remember to change your foot if you need to  
on your machine for a straight stitch.



You will begin stitching your  
sides now using a 5/8 inch  
seam allowance. Go all the  
way around taking out your  
pins as you go.







Take your time around the curves

Once the first side is stitched, do the same to the other side.

A view of the finished seam



Clip your curves with your shears. This will make sure that the curved seams will not pucker once it is turned inside out. Be careful not to clip into the seam





Turn your cover inside out and place on your machine so you can see where your hem needs to be. Mark it with a pin

Using your hem placement measurement you can now cut off any excess material.



We used a straight edge and a rotary cutter to quickly remove the excess







Take your cover to your ironing board and measure a 1/2 inch hem and turn it twice. Pin all the way around as you measure.

Make sure to press your side seams open as you pin your hem.





Neatly sew your hem all the way around taking out the pins as you go.

Your personalized sewing machine cover is now complete



Enjoy!

