

## SINGER® Roll-Up Organizer



This easy to sew roll-up accessories case will come in handy for traveling or for use at home. Change the fabric and it becomes a marker container for children, sewing notions for a sewer, crochet hooks for a crafter or a set of screw drivers for a handyman.

## **Shopping List:**

- $\square$  ½ yard cotton fabric (outer fabric)
- ☐ ½ yard cotton fabric (lining)
- ☐ ½ yard fusible interfacing
- □1 yard ribbon
- ☐ All-purpose thread to match fabric

- ☐ Machine embroidery thread (contrasting color)
- ☐ Ruler, mat and rotary cutter or scissors
- ☐ Point turner, letter opener or chopstick
- □ Straight pins
- ☐ Water soluble marking pen or chalk

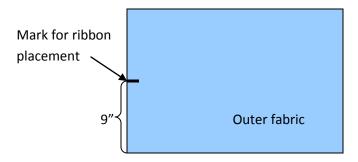


## Fabric Preparation:

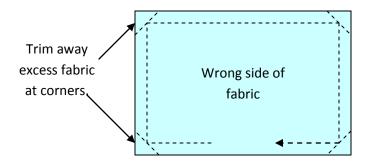
- 1. Using the ruler, rotary cutter and the mat, cut a 17" x 20" rectangle from the outer fabric, lining and interfacing. *Please note: a larger or smaller rectangle may be used to change the finished size of the organizer.*
- 2. Fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of the outer fabric, following the manufacturer's instructions.

## At the Machine:

- 3. Thread the sewing machine with the all-purpose thread top and bobbin.
- 4. Using the water soluble marker, mark a line on the left edge of the outer fabric piece, about 9" up from the bottom.



- 5. Fold the ribbon in half, and pin the folded edge of the ribbon to the outer fabric at the mark, having the fold of the ribbon even with the raw edge of the fabric.
- 6. Stitch the ribbon in place using a ½" seam.
- 7. With right sides together and raw edges even, pin the outer fabric to the lining.
- 8. Sew the lining and the outer fabric together using a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam and leaving a 5" opening for turning. Please note: be careful to not catch the ribbon in the seam while sewing.

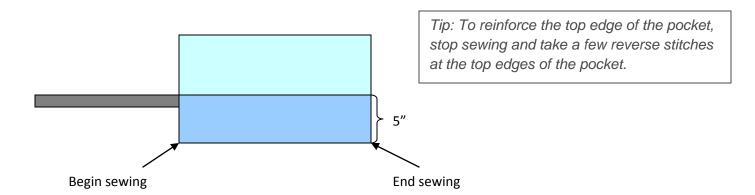


Tip: To reinforce the opening, take a couple reverse stitches at the beginning and at the end of the seam.

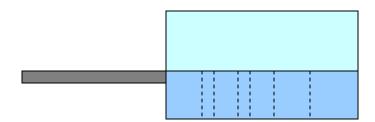
- 9. To eliminate bulk, trim away excess fabric at the corners.
- 10. Turn the fabric to the right side out through the opening. Use the point turner to carefully push out the fabric at the corners.
- 11. Press the fabric, enclosing the seams at the opening.
- 12. Topstitch closely along the bottom edge.



13. To form the pocket, fold up 5" from lower edge. Press and pin the sides in place.



- 14. To close pocket edges, begin stitching, starting at the lower left corner. Continue to sew up the side, across the top and down the right side to the lower right corner, keeping the stitching close to the edge of the fabric.
- 15. It's now time to determine what you would like to use your "roll-up organizer" for and create the desired individual pocket sizes. Use the water soluble marker and ruler to mark stitching lines.



Tip: If organizer is used for sewing, a rotary cutter needs a 2" pocket and sheers need a 1½" pocket. Paint brushes or makeup brushes need ½" to 1" pockets.

16. Thread the machine with the machine embroidery thread in the top and bobbin. Snap on the satin stitch foot. Select a decorative stitch. The diamond stitch was used in this example. Begin stitching at the bottom edge and stitch along the lines to the upper edge of the pocket, reinforcing the beginning and ending of the seam by taking a few reverse stitches. Trim away excess threads. Spritz with water to remove any of the remaining markings. Press.

Tip: Use a variety of decorative stitches to create a unique and interesting look. If a stitch is particularly dense, the pattern length may need to be elongated to aid in the fabric feeding smoothly under the presser foot.

17. Fill the organizer with the things you want to organize. To help prevent items from falling out, the top edge may be folded down and stitched in place along the sides. Roll and tie ribbon around the organizer.

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