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**Sewing
Tool Caddy**



General Sewing Supplies

Rotary Cutter, Mat, Ruler
Thread snips
Iron and ironing surface
Fabric Marker of your choice (pen,
pencil, chalk...)
Microtex size 80 or 90 needle or your
favorite needle.
Recommended Machine Feet:
Standard Sewing Foot
1/4"foot with a guide
stitch in ditch foot
(also called narrow edge foot
and lace joining foot)
General Sewing Supplies
Pins
Scissors

Sewing Tool Caddy

Fabric:

Cover: 11" x 17.5"
Lining: 11" x 17.5"
Pocket 1: 11"w x 13.5"h
Pocket 2: 11.5"w x 11"h
Pocket 3: 11.5"w x 8.5"h
Pocket 4: 11.5"w x 6"h
Fleece: 10"w x 17"h

Ribbon:

One 8" x 7/8" piece
Three 12" x 1/8" pieces

Elastic:

21" x width of your choice

Cardboard:

Two 8"x 10" pieces
I used "Canvas Panels" from Craft Store



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Here we go!

1. Cut your fabric, ribbon and elastic to the sizes listed on the previous page.
2. After cutting the fabric for the pockets fold them and layer them in the correct order.

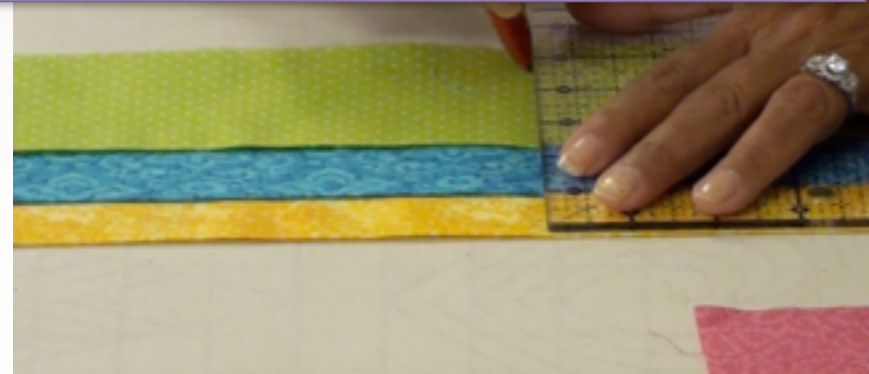
NOTE: The lining, cover and Pocket 1 are all 11" wide. Pockets 2, 3, and 4 are all 11.5" wide. Pocket 2 can be confusing. Make sure when it is folded it is 11/5" wide by 5.5" high.

3. Iron the pockets so you have a nice crease at the top folded edge.





Marking your stitching lines



4. Marking the stitching lines for the pockets.

On Pocket 1

measure in 4" from the left side and mark a vertical line

measure in 3" from the right side and mark another vertical line

On Pockets 2, 3, and 4

measure in 4.25" from the left side and mark a vertical line

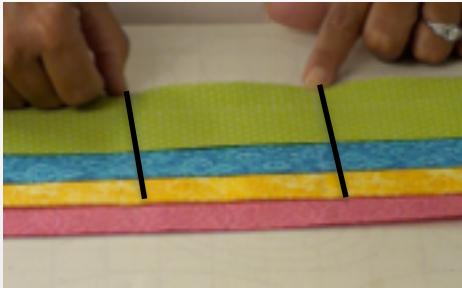
measure in 3.25" from the right side and mark a vertical line

On Pocket 4 (the smallest one)

measure down 1 3/4" from the top folded edge and draw a line parallel to the fold.



Stitching the pocket section



5. Stitch through pockets 3 and 4, along the horizontal line that is drawn on pocket 4.

6. Layer all 4 pockets back together lining up the bottoms and vertical marks accurately. Remember pocket 1 is narrower than the other 3, so the sides will not line up.

7. Stitch the vertical lines that are marked on your fabric. Stitch from the bottom of all 4 pockets up to the point where pocket 2 meets pocket 1. Back tac to hold the stitching securely.

8. Line up the raw edges on both sides of the stack of pockets and baste together using a 1/4" seam allowance.

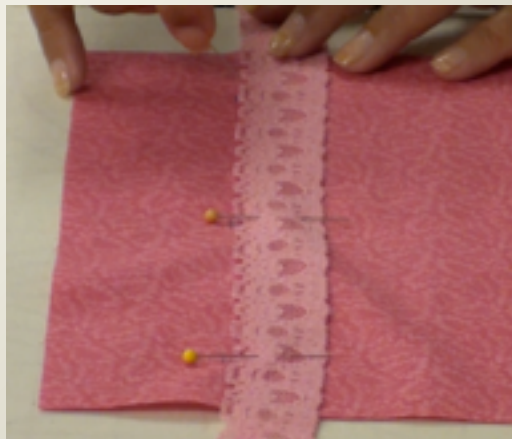
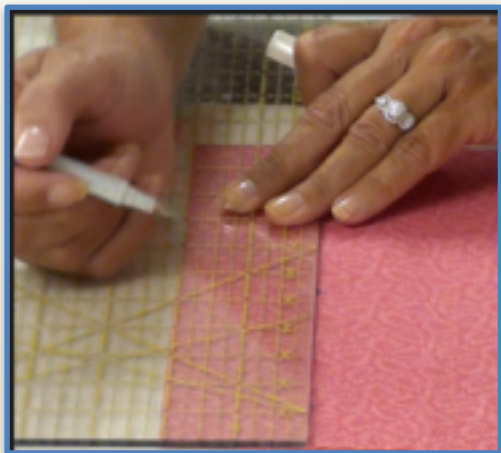
9. Baste the bottom edges together easing in the fullness. (Put shorter pocket on top closest to the foot and the longer pieces against the feed dogs) Again using a 1/4" seam.





Attaching the Elastic to the Cover

10. Measure up from the bottom 2"
11. Mark the center of the cover piece, and 1 1/2" in from each side along this 2" mark
12. Place the elastic at the 2" mark and pin in place at the center and the 2 side marks.
13. Stitch the elastic to the cover piece at all three places
14. Overlap the edges of the elastic and zig zag together

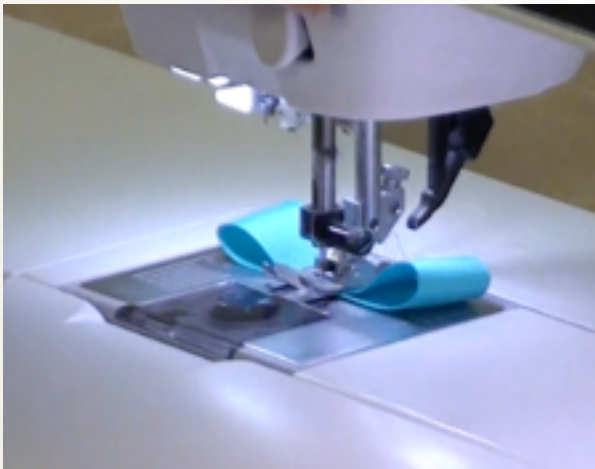




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Embellishing with a Bow

15. Find the center of your 8" piece of ribbon
16. Fold the ends to the center overlapping about 1/2 inch
17. Stitch through all 3 layers of the ribbon with a straight stitch
18. Stitch the Bow onto the elastic (where the elastic is overlapped)
19. Fold (manipulate) the center part of the bow to give it some depth
20. Tie the bow and the elastic with the 3 pieces of 1/8" ribbon





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Putting it all together



21. Center one 10" side of the fleece along the 11.5" edge of the cover that is opposite the edge that has the elastic has been attached to. Use a 1/4" seam allowance and a straight stitch.

22. Fold the fleece towards the stitched edge.

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23. Place the pocket section on top of the elastic, lining up the raw edges at the bottom and the sides making sure that the elastic is laying nice and neat and will not get caught in the seam allowance.

24. Place the piece of lining fabric right side down on top of the pocket section and the fleece making sure the fleece will not get caught when stitching





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25. Pin around 3 sides (the edge where the fleece is attached will be left open)
26. Stitch all the layers together around the 3 sides using a generous 1/4" seam.

Hint: Lengthen out your stitch when you get thro the part with all the layers of the pockets.

27. Clip the corners
28. Turn right side out and iron





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Finishing it up!

29. Insert the 2 pieces of cardboard (Canvas Panel Board)
30. Turn under the raw edge of the unstitched side, pin and stitch in place.
31. Stand you Caddy up and put your sewing notions in the pockets!





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ENJOY!