



Overlocker Project Bottle gift bag

Notes designed for Baby Lock overlockers with ATD


Requirements

35cm Main fabric
20cm lining fabric
70cm x 3mm pre-made piping
80cm narrow cord
3mm piping foot
4 spools co-ordinating polyester sewing thread
Baby Lock overlocker

Method

Main fabric cut one square 30.5cm x 30.5cm (12"x12")
one piece 16.5cm x 30.5cm (6 1/2"x 12")

Lining fabric cut one piece 16.5cm x 30.5cm (6 1/2"x 12")
Cut a strip 3.75cm x 30.5cm (1 1/2"x 12")



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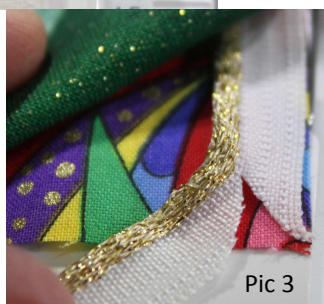
12"x12"

1 1/2" x 12"

piping

cord

Construction



Thread overlocker for a four thread overlock

Settings

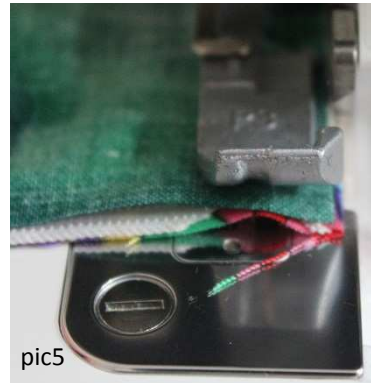
- Stitch width 7.5
- Stitch length 2.5-3
- Stitch selector A
- Differential feed N

Change foot from standard to 3mm piping foot.
Place small rectangles of main fabric & lining fabric rights sides together, starting at a short side, sandwich piping in between with the cord sitting to the centre. Stitch this seam closed, pause before stitching to the end and snip the flange of the piping on an angle approximately 1cm before the end of the seam (see pic 3)

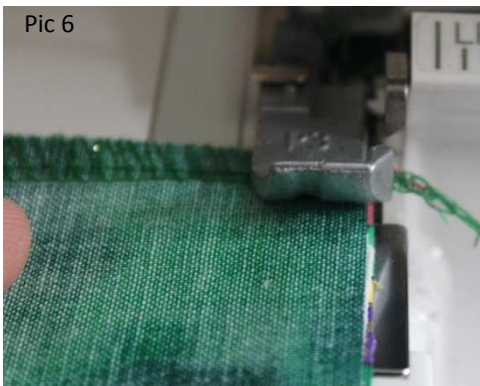


Pic 4

Bend the piping to follow the fabric keeping the flange straight along the long side of the rectangle. (see pic 4) Hold firmly in place while stitching and continue stitching straight down, running off when finished. (see pic 5)



pic5



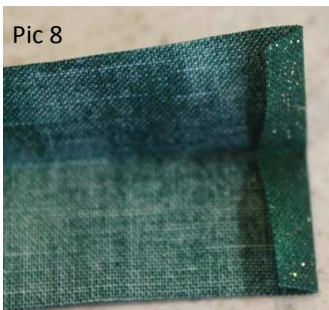
Pic 6

Begin stitching the long side of the rectangle, ensure the piping is in place under the piping foot. (pic 6)

Repeat this process at the next corner, finish sewing the short side seam leaving the other long side open.

Pic 7

Turn through the right side and press.



Pic 8

Fold in both the narrow ends of the long strip of lining fabric approximately 6mm and press. (pic 8) Fold the strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together and press. This piece forms the casing for the drawstring. (pic 9)



Pic 9



Pic 10

Remove the piping foot from overlocker and replace with flat sole or standard foot. Fold 12" square of main fabric right sides together vertically to form a long thin tube and stitch seam closed. (pic 11). Turn through to the right sides and press.



Pic 11



Pic 12

Find the centre of the tube and mark the top with a fabric pencil or cut a small 'v' in the fabric to mark (pic 12)

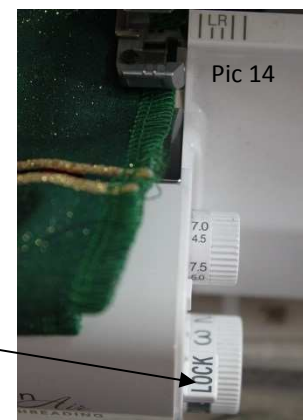
Starting at the centre place casing and the top of the bottle bag on the top of the tube. The casing is a little shorter than the tube and the top, this is not designed to meet, the piping however should meet at the centre front.



Pic 13

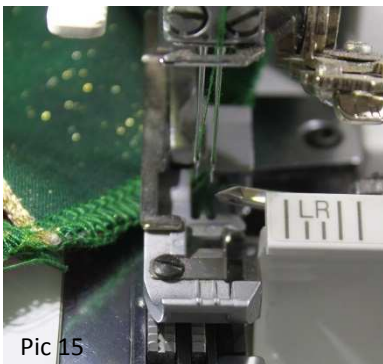
* HINT - Overlockers and pins do not combine well, if the pins 'hide' under the fabric they are difficult to see and can cause issues if you run over a them. The clips in pic 13 are easy to see and remove and they hold the fabric layers very firmly.

Stitch seam without cutting too much off. When approaching the beginning and you have trimmed the last of the fabric, pause turn the blade to 'lock' (the benefit of this is it prevents you cutting any of the original stitching)stitch 1 to 2 cm over the top of where the stitching began. (pic 14)



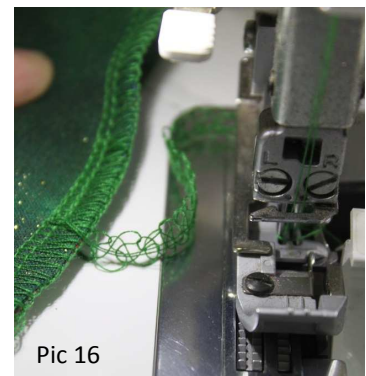
Pic 14

Lock blade down



Pic 15

With the needles in the highest position , raise the presser foot, pull a small amount of thread through the needles and ease the work out from under the foot. (pic 15) Put the presser foot back down and stitch to create chain to finish the seam (pic 16) Open seam and press with the casing pointing down.



Pic 16



Mark the base of the bag into 4 sections, centre front, centre back and sides. Make a pleat in the base of the bag by folding the side seams into the centre. Press and stitch.

Thread the cord through the casing , place bottle in to gift bag, tie the cord in a bow and attach gift card. Enjoy giving your gift in this beautiful bag which can be re-used.

