

Create a Bookmark



This is your 1st project. Here we will learn how to make a bookmark. This should be simple after the sewing lessons you have already learnt.



To start you will need

- Two pieces of fabrics that are 8 inches by 2 inches in size
- One piece of fabric that is 6 inches by 2 inches in size
- And one piece of felt that is 4 inches by 2 inches in size.

In addition you will need one tassel, which could be either made, by you or store bought.



Trim the edges of all the pieces neatly with the help of pinking shears to get a zig zag edge which will also avoid fabric fraying.

Then take the two largest pieces of fabric and match the wrong sides back-to-back. Then align the two smaller pieces on top of the larger pieces with right side facing up.

Secure all the pieces together with the help of a beaded pin. Insert the tassel in between two top most fabric layers at the center, pin to secure it.



Once you have done this prep work you are ready to start sewing your bookmark.

Place the fabric under the foot aligning the seam with the foot and lower the pressure foot.

Then look at the stitch patterns and select one. Here we have selected pattern (D), Set the pattern selector knob to (D).

Move on to the stitch length selector and set the dial on the SS mode to choose your decorative stitch. You are now ready to start stitching.



Start stitching slowly and gradually pick up speed. Ensure your fabric stays aligned with the pressure foot and the sewing machine will make the pattern. Don't forget to remove the pin as you get to it.

Once you reach the bottom of the fabric, with the needle still down, lift the pressure foot, and carefully turn the fabric and align the bottom end. Once this is done carry on stitching till you have stitched three sides.

Once you get to the top remove the pin that holds the tassel. Make sure it does not shift and continue stitching till you have stitched all around the bookmark.



Remove the bookmark and trim off all excess threads on either sides of the fabric.

Your bookmark is now ready. Look at the stitch pattern and you'll see it is a part of the design.

Use your imagination and create different bookmarks. Experiment with fabrics and other materials. Let loose your creative imagination and add your unique touch to every bookmark, making them one of a kind perfect gifts.