



CURTAINS

DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- ✓ Janome Sewing Machine
- ✓ Janome Purple Tip Needles #14
- ✓ Standard Zig Zag Foot (A)
- ✓ 1 x Janome Plastic Bobbin
- ✓ Scissors or Thread Snips
- ✓ Rotary Cutter
- ✓ Cutting Mat
- ✓ Quilt Ruler
- ✓ Tape Measure
- ✓ Pins
- ✓ Ironing Board and Iron

HOW TO CALCULATE THE FABRIC REQUIRED

A curtain is usually 1½ to 2 times the width of the area it is meant to cover. Using a heavier fabric will provide fullness that a light weight fabric will not supply. The lighter the weight of the fabric the more fullness it will require.



FABRICS AND NOTIONS

- Main Fabric (measure your window or length and width of existing curtain)
- Contrast Fabric (the length of the curtain drop x 2)
- Sewing thread to blend with the fabric – 100m reel
- Curtain Rings with attached clips – see image below



CUTTING INTRUCTIONS

TIP: Cutting your fabric with a rotary cutter and quilt ruler gives you cleaner lines to work with.

Main Fabric

- Cut 2 pieces the required drop and window width + 2" all around for seam allowance

Contrast Fabric

- Cut 2 pieces the required drop x 12 inches wide + add 2" all around for seam allowance

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STEP 1

Place the contrast fabric right side up. Next position the main fabric right side down on top of the contrast fabric and pin them together.

Pin together along the top



A Contrast fabric (right side up)

B Main Fabric (right side down)

Image shows main fabric folded back to show contrast fabric

STEP 2

Take the bottom edge of the main fabric and roll it all up until just before the pins.

TIP: Use clips to hold the roll of main fabric.

Take the bottom of the contrast fabric and pin it to the top of the contrast fabric.

You will now have the contrast fabric pinned together with the main fabric also pinned in and rolled up in the middle of the contrast fabric.

Pin together along the top



STEP 3

Top of curtain



On your sewing machine select the straight stitch, adjust the Stitch Length to 2.5 or 3 (*use 3 for heavy weighted fabrics*). Now sew a seam along the pinned edge with a seam allowance of approximately 1 inch.

Then, pull the main fabric out from being in-cased within the contrast fabric. The contrast fabric is neatly attached to the main fabric like a cuff – see image.

STEP 4

Follow steps 1 to 3 with the remaining cut fabrics, to create the second curtain.

STEP 5

You should now have 2 curtains as shown below.



STEP 6

Let's hem around the 3 sides being the top, side and bottom of each curtain.

Have your ironing board and iron ready to use.

Starting on the sides of each curtain measure in 1 inch, fold and iron then fold over again and iron.

You will now have a double folded hem, pin it.



Next, do the same with the top and bottom edges of each curtain, ironing as you go, then pin so they are ready to for stitching using your sewing machine.

STEP 7



Still using the straight stitch and the same stitch length setting as before, stitch the hem on the three sides of each curtain.

STEP 8

If required give your curtains a final iron.

Attach the curtain rings to your new curtains and hang them.

Sew easy and simple...change your curtains seasonally or just to brighten your day.

NOTE: You can choose to leave off the contrast fabric or you can attach it to the main fabric using regular seaming on the curtain front, fold the contrast fabric to the curtain back and stitch in the ditch on the curtain front.

Congratulations and enjoy your new curtains.