

MONOGRAMS: CUSTOMIZE A COASTER OR PATCH

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CREATE YOUR OWN COASTER OR PATCH THAT REPRESENTS YOU! PRACTICE CUTTING FABRIC SHAPES, GLUING AND USING THE APPLIQUE TECHNIQUE!

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Use a circular item like the bottom of a cup to trace a circle with a pencil onto a piece of fabric.
2. Using a pair of scissors, cut the circle shape following the pencil mark.
3. Trace your initial onto a separate piece of fabric. We suggest a different color fabric.
4. Cut your initial and apply glue to the wrong side (back side) of the fabric. You can usually tell the "wrong side" of a fabric because the colors aren't as bright.
5. Place the glue side of your initial onto your cut circle of fabric. You can also cut out other fun shapes and add them if you want to! Place a book on top and let dry for at least 20 minutes.
6. After your creation dries, use it as a coaster to place underneath your drinks on tables, or use your creation like a patch. Glue or ask an adult to help you sew it to a jacket or backpack.



MATERIALS NEEDED:

- 2 pieces of fabric that measure 6" x 6" of different colors plus fabric scraps for other shapes
- Pencil
- Glue

DID YOU KNOW?

Many **designers** use their initials as a logo for their companies.

It's called a **monogram** and it is a design made by overlapping or combining two or more letters to form one symbol.

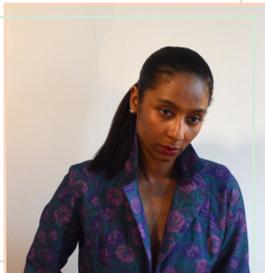
Monogram logos are often made by combining the initials of a person with a cool shape or design.

What other objects would you like to put your monogram on?

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EMBROIDERY: LEARN TO SEW FOR THE FIRST TIME

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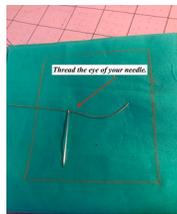
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LEARN HOW TO CUT THREAD, DRAW A TEMPLATE AND SEW A RUNNING STITCH TO “DRAW” YOUR FAVORITE SHAPE USING FABRIC, NEEDLE AND THREAD.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Draw your favorite shape onto a piece of fabric using a pencil. Try to keep your shape simple to start with as you learn how to sew!
2. Take a piece of thread and push one end through the eye of the needle. This is called “threading a needle.” Pull the two ends of the threads together and tie a knot at the end so the thread doesn’t slip out while you’re sewing.
3. Starting from the back side of the fabric, push your needle through the pencil marking you drew onto the fabric. Be careful to keep your fingers out of the way of the needle not to poke yourself. Pull the thread all the way through until it stops.
4. Put the needle back into the fabric on the front side, a little bit further down the line, following your pencil marking. Pull the thread all the way through until it stops.
5. Keep repeating this process until you come to the end of your shape! Once you reach the end you can tie a knot in the thread so that your stitch stays in the fabric. Get an adult to help you with this if you’re unsure how to tie a knot.



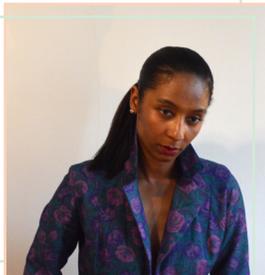
MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Pencil
- Two 6" x 6" piece of fabric
- Ruler
- Scissors

DID YOU KNOW?

This type of sewing is called a **running stitch** and it is the basis for every kind of sewing, even making clothes. It’s also the most basic stitch for **embroidery** where you can create designs on fabric with thread.

You can practice your sewing and learn to embroider designs on all sort of different fabric items and clothes.



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SEW AN ART SUPPLY ORGANIZER

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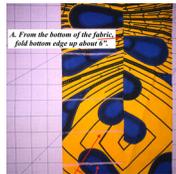


CREATE YOUR OWN ROLL-UP ORGANIZER FOR ART SUPPLIES OR SOME OF YOUR OTHER FAVORITE THINGS USING FABRIC AND THREAD.

You could use this to hold art supplies like pens, pencils or paintbrushes. It could also hold some of your favorite small objects like small toys.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Using a ruler, cut a piece of fabric that is 12" x 15".
2. From bottom of the fabric, fold the edge up 6".
3. Draw a line on each side of the folded fabric and then in the center, draw more lines going up that will help form the pockets that will hold your objects, about 2-3" apart. You can draw these lines on fabric with a pencil.
4. Sew "running stitches" along the marked lines. Running stitches are stitches made by putting the needle in and out of the fabric repeatedly. Also sew up each edge to close the pockets like in the photo.
5. Insert belongings into the sections and roll up the organizer. You can tie up the organization with a bow made of ribbon, string or another skinny piece of fabric. Now your organizer can go anywhere with you.



MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Pencil
- 18" piece of fabric
- Ruler
- Thread
- Needles

DID YOU KNOW?

Almost every artist has tools. An organizer like this one is a great way to keep your art supplies safe and organized!

Fashion designers and **costume designers** often have to keep their tools with them for last minute adjustments to garments before they hit the runway, stage or photoshoot.

Now you have your own handy kit to take with you, just like the professionals!

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