

“Ribbon-Accent Shower Curtain”

Coordinate your ribbon-accent towels with the rest of your bathroom by creating this shower curtain. It will bring new life to your once-plain bathroom.

Skill Level: Beginner
Approximate cost: \$35.00

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Supplies:

Baby Lock Sewing Machine

Purchased standard shower curtain (Curtain measures 72"x72") **or**
45" to 54" wide fabric with a solid color= 4 ½ yards, with a printed pattern=
4 ½ yards + 1 pattern repeat for matching

Purchased shower curtain liner

1 yard of 3 different colors of 1" wide gross grain ribbon

Various colors embroidery thread to coordinate with the towel and ribbon colors

Tear-away stabilizer

Fusible web

Bobbin wound with embroidery bobbin thread

Bobbin wound with clear monofilament thread

Clear monofilament thread

Instructions:

To make the shower curtain:

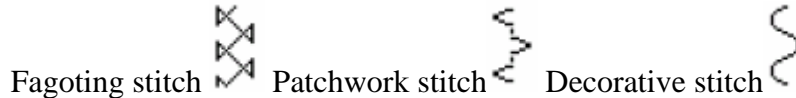
1. Cut the fabric into 80" lengths or to your own specific cut length to give you the correct finished length. This allows 8" extra to give you a double 1" top hem and a double 3" bottom hem.
2. Place the right sides of your fabric together. Sew the center seam along the selvage edge. Press the seam open.
3. Turn the side edges under ¼" then ¼" again and hem.
4. For top and bottom hems, turn the top edge under 1" then 1" again and hem. Turn the bottom edge under 3" then 3" again and hem.



5. Lay a purchased shower curtain liner on top of the shower curtain and line up the edges. Mark the locations for the buttonholes so they will match the holes on the purchased liner.
6. Place the buttonhole foot on the machine, lower the buttonhole lever, and select a standard buttonhole. Remember to make your buttonholes vertical.

To add the ribbon accents:

1. Thread the machine with embroidery bobbin thread in the bobbin and embroidery thread to match or coordinate with the first color.
2. Select three decorative stitches. We used the following stitches:



3. Place a strip of tear-away stabilizer under the ribbon.
4. Using the presser foot as a guide, stitch the first decorative stitch down the center of the ribbon.
5. Remove the extra stabilizer from the back of the ribbon.
6. Rethread the machine with the next color of embroidery thread.
7. Select a different decorative stitch and repeat the stitching process, sewing the decorative stitch down the center of the ribbon.
8. Repeat for the third row of ribbon, using another color of thread.
9. Position the stitched ribbons side by side on the shower curtain. Position one ribbon going vertical and weave it through the other ribbons at the intersection. Place fusible web under the ribbon strips and fuse in place to the curtain. Fuse the ribbons in the color order of your choice.
10. Thread the machine with clear monofilament thread.
11. Zigzag along each side of each color of ribbon.
12. Fold the ribbon ends under and stitch to secure, cutting off any extra.

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