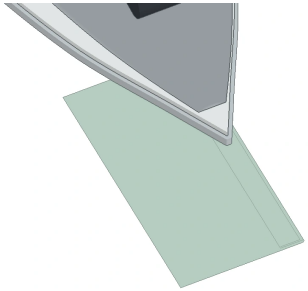
Topstitching · Seam type

Full guide

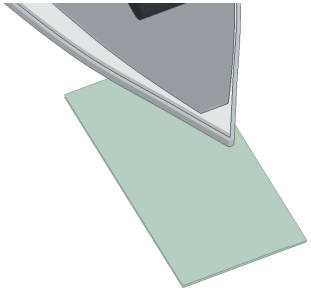
Folded hem



Step help

One piece, folded under.

Turned edge

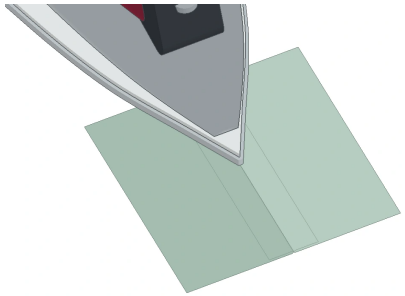


Step help

Two pieces, turned right side out.

Topstitching · Seam type

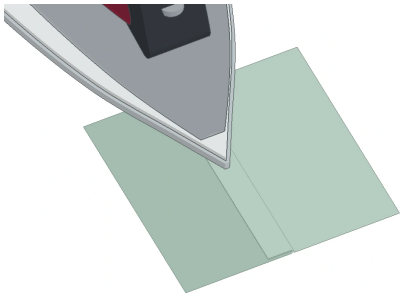
Seam pressed open



Step help

Allowances spread apart.

Seam pressed to one side

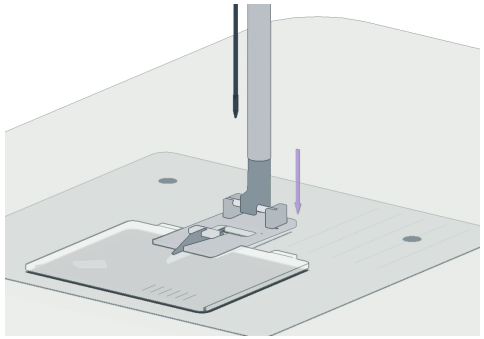


Step help

Both allowances lie together.

Topstitching · Set up

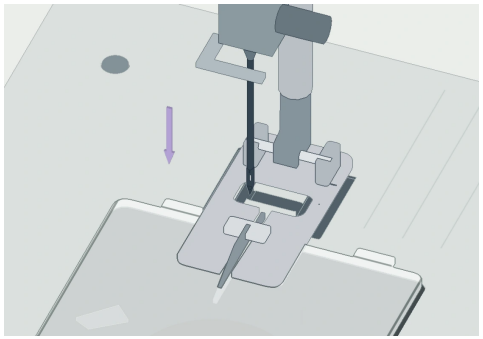
1 Fit the guide foot



Step help

Snap on a compatible stitch-in-the-ditch foot.

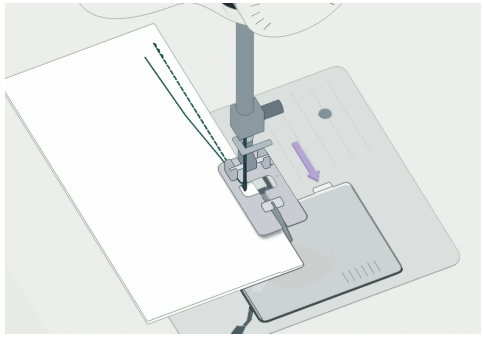
2 Position the needle



Step help

Choose straight stitch. Set the needle beside the guide; check by hand.

3 Test on scrap

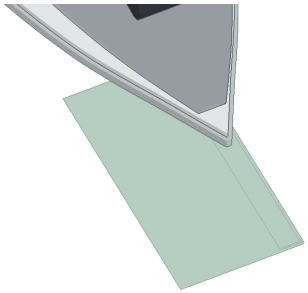


Step help

Stitch a short line on scrap. Check spacing and tension.

Topstitching · Folded hem

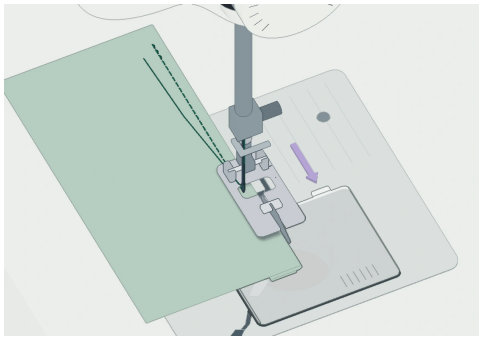
1 Fold and press



Step help

Fold the hem twice. Press flat.

2 Topstitch

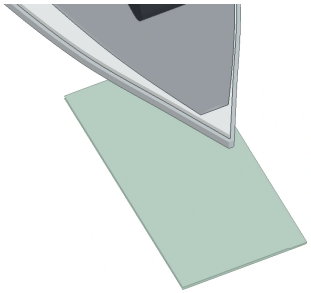


Step help

Right side up. Stitch through the folded hem.

Topstitching · Turned edge

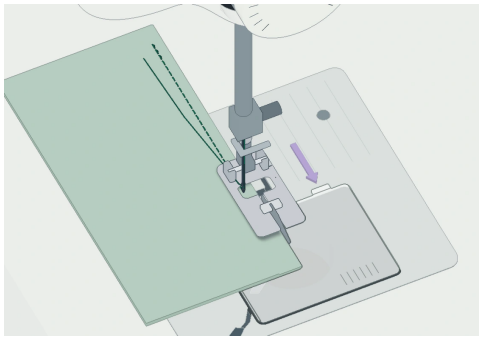
1 Turn and press



Step help

Turn right side out. Ease out the edge and press.

2 Topstitch

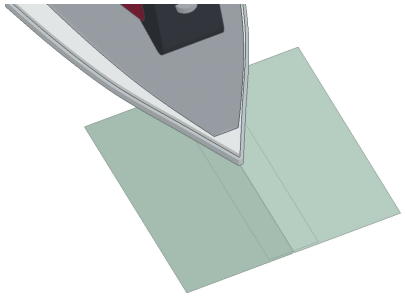


Step help

Guide against the edge. Stitch through both layers.

Topstitching · Seam pressed open

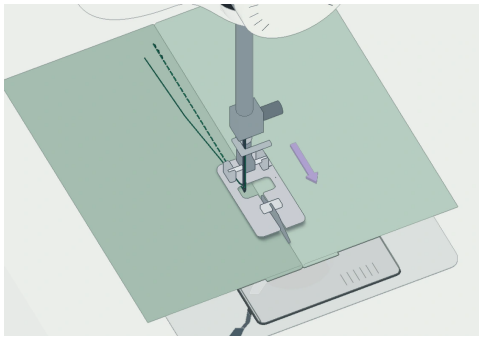
1 Press open



Step help

Press one allowance to each side.

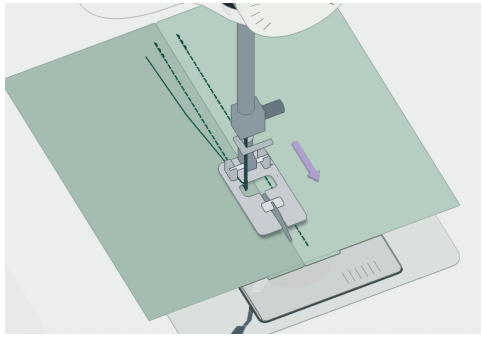
2 Stitch one side



Step help

Right side up. Guide in the seam; stitch beside it.

3 Stitch the other side

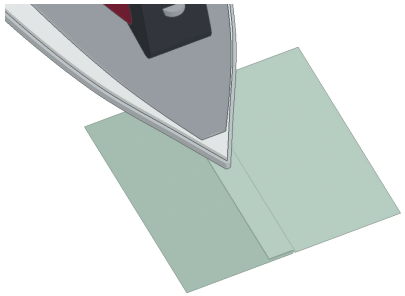


Step help

Turn the work. Stitch the other side.

Topstitching · Seam pressed to one side

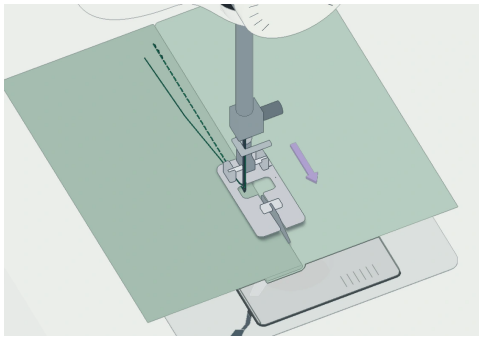
1 Press to one side



Step help

Press both allowances to the same side.

2 Topstitch

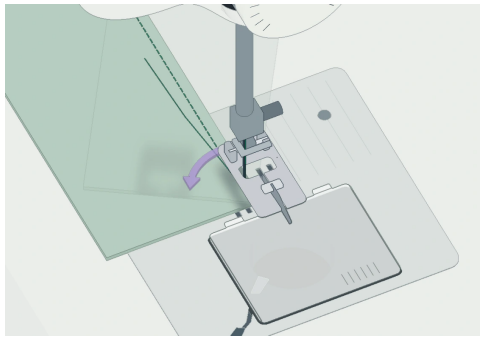


Step help

Stitch over the allowances. Keep the guide in the seam.

Topstitching · Corners and finishing

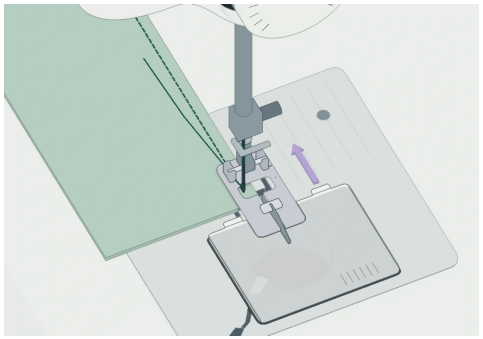
1 Pivot



Step help

At a corner only. Needle down. Lift the foot, turn, then lower it.

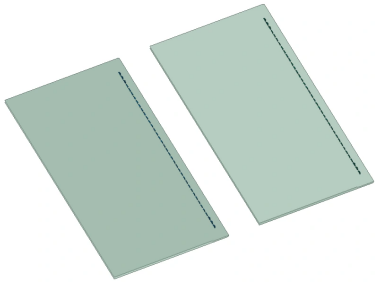
2 Finish



Step help

Backstitch or overlap the start. Raise needle and foot; trim tails.

3 Check



Step help

Even stitches on both sides. Press flat.