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Pearl Trimmed Candle Ring

Materials and Supplies:

- Cotton quilt fabric: Novelty print or two contrasting solids, see instructions below.
- Special presser foot for sewing pearls, such as Brother accessory #SA150.
- 6" - 12" STYRAFOAM wreath and strong tape to secure cut edges.
- 3mm craft pearls to equal the length of measurement determined below.

Cutting and Sewing Instructions:

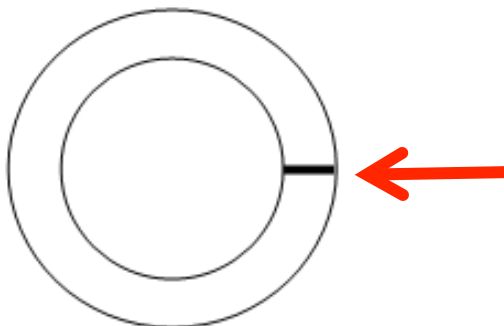
Step 1. Measure all around the outside circumference of your wreath to determine **Measurement (A)**, for the length of the strip.

Measure the thickness of the wreath by wrapping a tape measure around a portion of the wreath to determine **Measurement (B)**. You will use this measurement for a tube shaped casing to cover the wreath.

Using measurements A and B, determine final measurements for your fabric strip using the formula listed below.

(A) - MULTIPLY THIS MEASUREMENT TIMES TWO and record this number for the length.

(B) - MULTIPLY THIS MEASUREMENT TIMES TWO, add 3-inches, and record this number for the width.



Carefully use a craft knife
to cut wreath open here.

Example: My wreath measured 8-inches across. Below are the final measurements I used for cutting my fabric strip.

(A) – Equals 26-inches. I cut my strip 52-inches long.

(B) Equals 5-inches. I cut my strip 13-inches wide.

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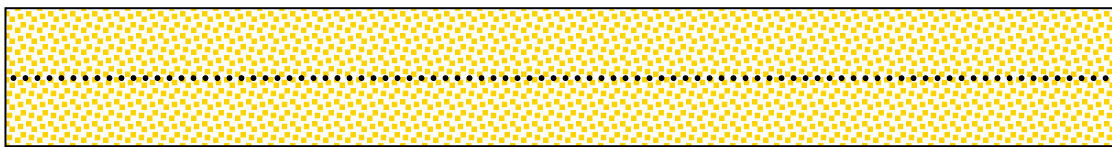


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Step 2. Cut one strip using your A and B measurement determined above. Use two fabrics if desired, splitting measurement (B) in half, and adding a seam allowance to each edge for sewing the two strips together.

Step 3. Hem the two short ends using a double turned ½-inch hem.

Step 4. Fold strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and long, raw edges even. Lightly press, and then mark the fold line for sewing the pearls. Set up machine for zig zag stitching using a pearl foot. Testing on a scrap, set the zig zag width and length to “skip” over the pearls. Sew a string a pearls along the marked fold line. **Note:** If you have used two different fabrics you can stitch the pearls right over the seam you have sewn.



Stitch pearls along
the center of the strip.

Step 5. Fold the strip in half, having right sides together and long raw edges even. Sew along this edge using a ¼-inch seam allowance.



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Step 6. Turn right sides out and press tube flat with the finished seam along the outer edge. Take care to avoid pressing over pearls.

Step 7. To form a casing, first add one inch to measurement (B) and then divide the measurement in half. This is the amount you need for the casing. Sew a line of stitching measuring this exact distance from the unbeaded (outer) edge. Add pearls to the outer edge, zigzagging over the pearls as you run them along the outer edge.

Step 8. Carefully slide the fabric tube onto the opened wreath. Continue easing the strip onto the wreath until it is completely covered. Adjust the strip so the gathers are evenly distributed. Pull back on the fabric and secure the cut edges together with tape. Re-adjust fabric to cover the tape.

Place a candle plate with a candle in the center of the wreath. You are finished!

Note: The center opening for the candle may vary according to the actual diameter of the wreath you choose.

