

Microwave Bowl Cozy

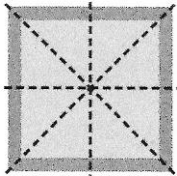
We are changing out the usual Block of the Month for March. Instead we are joining the effort to create items to sell at the Leona Valley craft boutique for the Poppy Festival and Cherry Festival.

Because these go into the microwave, it is VERY IMPORTANT that all items be NATURAL FIBERS. The provided fabric is cotton, batting is cotton, **and**

----- THE THREAD YOU USE MUST BE 100% COTTON. -----

For each small-sized cozy, you will need:

	<u>Fabric/Color</u>	<u>Cut Size</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Step 1	2 Complementary Fabrics	10"	1 each
	- One main piece - One lining piece		
	Cotton Batting	10"	2

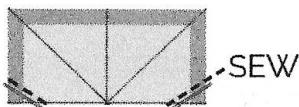


SEW ALL SEAMS AT 1/4"

Step 1 - Sew X and Square to join fabric and batting

Layer the main quilting cotton on top of one layer of the cotton batting to prepare it for quilting. Sew along the markings. You should have a large X that reaches across the entire bowl cozy as well as a square in the middle.

Step 2



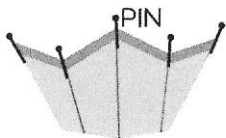
Repeat this with the lining fabric and one batting layer as well.

Step 2 - Sew Darts

Next, fold the main fabric/batting in half with the right sides together and sew along the darts. Repeat this until all four darts have been sewn.

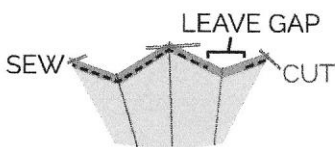
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Repeat with the lining fabric/batting layer.



Step 3 - Sew bowl cozy pieces together

Place bowl cozy out in front of you with the right side of the fabric facing upwards. Place the other bowl cozy inside with right sides facing together. Pin around the outside of the bowl, matching the darts and corners. Sew around the raw edges of the bowl cozy leaving a 3" hole for turning.



When you come to a corner, put the needle in the down position, lift the presser foot and pivot the fabric. Lower the presser foot and continue sewing. This will give you a nice sharp corner. To reduce bulk, trim the corners off of the bowl cozy. You should be cutting close to, but not through the stitching line.

Reach inside of the turning hole and pull the bowl cozy right side out.

With a hot iron, press all of the seams of the bowl cozy.

Step 4 – Topstitch

Topstitch along the outside edge of the bowl cozy for a clean finish. This will keep the fabric from rolling and gives it a professional finish.

