# **Chair Tidy**



## **Things You'll Need**

- 12-inch (30cm) W x 35-inch(89cm) L fabric for main pattern piece
- 12-inch (30cm) W x 9-inch (23cm) L fabric for pocket pattern piece
- 12-inch (30cm) W x 12-inch (30cm) L fabric for the magazine loop
- 2.5m matching bias tape
- Coordinating thread
- Ruler
- Universal sewing needle
- Pins
- Rotary cutter or fabric scissors
- Iron and ironing board
- Optional: 3 1/2 inches of 1-inch wide elastic



I used curtain fabric for this tutorial. You want a mid-heavy weight fabric, If you are using a lightweight quilting cotton, then I suggest lining it and adding iron-on interfacing in between.

## Hem the top of the pocket



Fold over 1cm and press, then 2.5cm. Pin and machine stitch along the open edge.



Pin the pocket onto the main fabric piece, lining up the bottom edge. Sew along the two sides , about ¼ inch from the edge.

Of course it's hard for you to see that here because I've matched it so well.

Make some divisions on the pocket. Use a ruler to draw lines about 4 inches apart and then sew along them. Make sure you reverse stitch at the top and the bottom of the pocket.

I did use a ruler, but somehow doesn't look like it ...





Now take the fabric for the loop back and place it with the WRONG side facing the RIGHT side of the pocket.

That's so that when you flip it back you will see the right side.
Pin together and then sew along
1cm away from the edge.



Neaten this edge by using a tall zig zag stitch. While you are at it, zig zag both the short edges that you have eg. the top of the tidy and the bottom of the bit you have just attached.



Press this open so you have the right side of the pocket showing, like in the picture.

#### Now attach the bias binding

Unfold your bias tape, Pin the unfolded bias tape to the front (pocket side) of your remote caddy, pinning along the folded line of the bias tape. Pin along the entire side edge.



Sew bias tape to side edge, sewing directly over the unfolded line on the bias tape.



Fold bias tape toward the side, and press. Make sure the seam is pressed out toward the side as well when ironing.





Flip your remote tidy so that the wrong side is facing up. Fold the bias tape toward the inside, covering up your seam. Press in place, making sure the bias tape edge covers the sewn line when pressing. Pin in place.

With the right side facing up, sew directly over your bias tape seam to secure back of bias tape in place. Repeat for both sides of the remote caddy.

## **Add Elastic for Smaller Remotes (Optional)**



To add elastic to your remote caddy, simply measure three inches down from the side edge (the same side your pocket is on). Pin elastic in place and sew.

Bring the other side of your elastic up and over, matching



the elastic edges together in the middle. Pin the bottom

in place.

Sew the opposite side of the elastic in place, moving the top of the elastic loop out of the way when sewing. Yes, that's very fiddly! A bit of swearing goes on here.

For a clean finish, press elastic loop down, and pin the top and bottom in place. Sew a straight line to secure.

#### Make the magazine loop

Fold the end of the tidy back on itself so that now you can't see the piece that's been put on the wrong way. It makes a pouch for your magazines!





Sew along here from the back, 1cm away from the folded over edge.

#### **Press Remote tidy to Finish**

Press your remote tidy one last time for a clean, professional finish. To hang the remote control holder over your arm chair, simply make sure the pocket facing out, and drape the

non-pocket side over the arm. Tuck the fabric flap under your chair cushion, add remotes, and you are finished!

