

## Fold-up Crayon Pouch Instructions

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**ONE 24" RIBBON**

**Materials:**

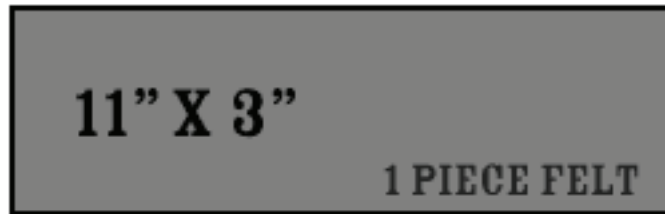
You will need:

2 pieces of fabric 11" x 5" (we recommend a cotton like Calico since you can pick up one remnant square for quilts and have enough fabric).

1 piece of coordinating felt 11" x 3".

1 24" piece of coordinating ribbon which you will fold to form 2 12" pieces.

Scissors, pins, thread, sewing machine (or hands), a box of crayons

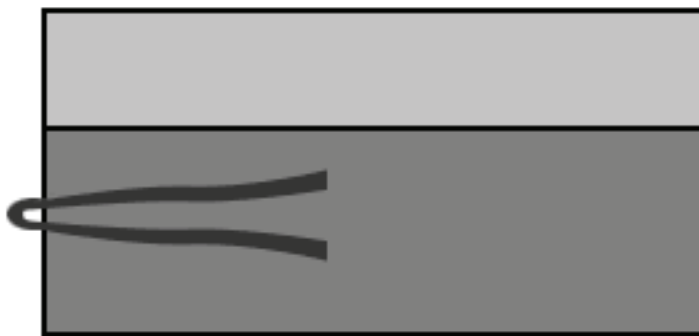


**Construction Instructions:**

1. Line up your felt piece with the bottom edge of your fabric. Be sure that you've placed the felt on the image side of your fabric.

2. Next, take the folded ribbon and place it on top of the felt, about 3/4 the way down from the top of the felt edge.

3. Then, make a "fabric sandwich" by placing the second piece of fabric on top of the fabric piece one, felt and ribbon. The image sides of the fabrics will be touching each other. Be sure to leave a bit of the ribbon exposed.

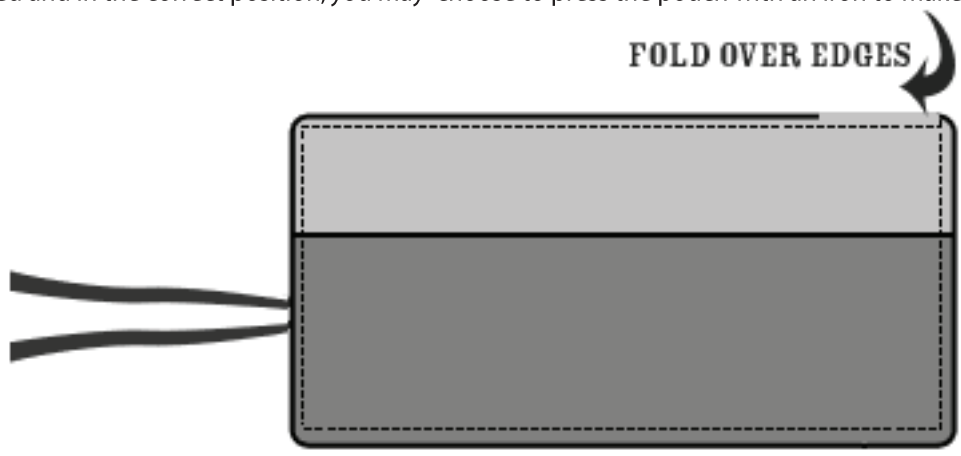


4. Now that you have your "sandwich" of fabrics, apply a stitch around the perimeter of the rectangle. Be sure to leave one small area unstitched so you'll be able to pull the pouch inside out.

**LEAVE UNSTITCHED TO ALLOW  
TO TURN INSIDE OUT**



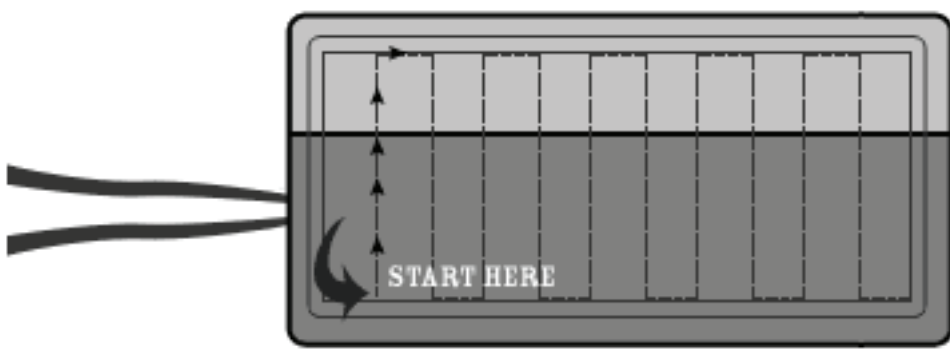
5. Next, turn the pouch inside out by gently pulling the inside pouch fabric through the hole that you left open. Once your pouch is complete reversed and in the correct position, you may choose to press the pouch with an iron to make it flatter and easier to work with.



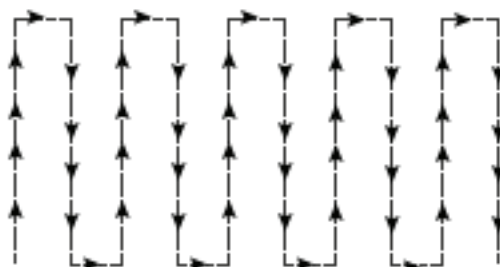
6. Because the slit that you left open is still raw, you will next need to fold over the edges to match the rest of the pouch. Baste the area you've just folded. Once you have folds that match up with each other, stitch another border around the perimeter of the entire pouch. BE SURE TO CATCH THE AREA YOU LEFT OPEN.



7. To reinforce your pouch, stitch once more around the perimeter of the pouch. These stitches should be about 1/4" away from the first perimeter stitch you just made.

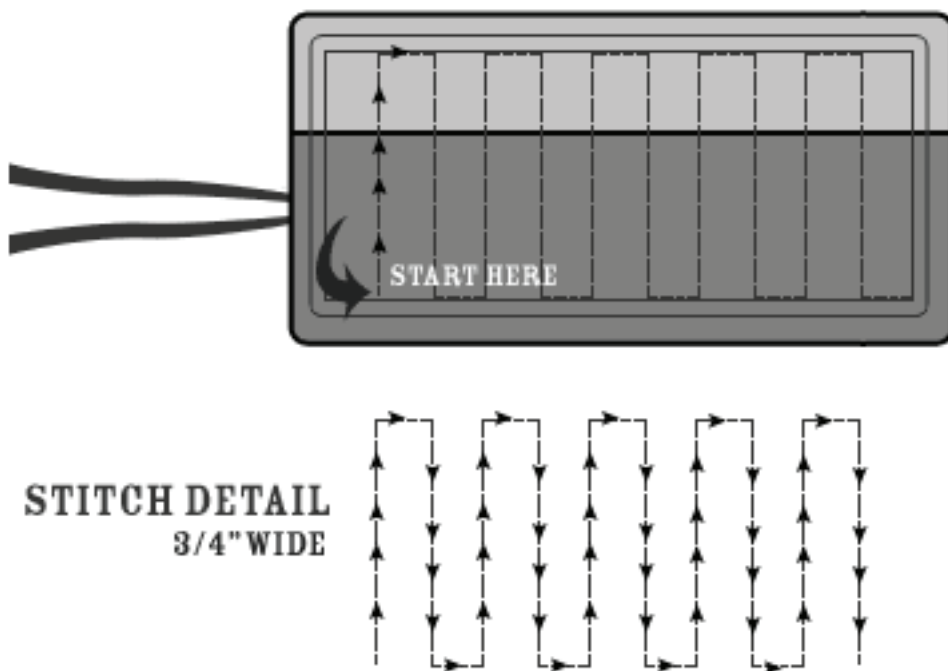


**STITCH DETAIL**  
3/4" WIDE



8. At this point, you have a fully formed pouch (minus the slots for the crayons). In this final step, you will create the little slots that you'll place your crayons in. Depending on how many crayons you want to hold and the width of the crayons, you can mark the appropriate widths using chalk (or eyeball it). For this case, we marked off columns that are about 3/4" wide. This gave us 11 slots for crayons. If you make the slots a little wider (say around 1" each, you usually can fit two crayons in each pouch).

The stitch that we used is one continuous stitch that starts at the bottom of the second column and then continues to snake around the rest of the pouch. When stitching, we use the perimeter stitches as guides and try to stitch directly on top of previous stitches. Since no horizontal stitches are sewn on the top part of the felt (only the fabric), you're not in danger of sewing closed any of the crayon slots.



9. That's it! You now have constructed your crayon pouch. Fill with crayons, roll-up and give to a child who loves to draw.

