

Looking for a new way to wrap a small present or decorate your tree and mantle? Then try making these cute little mini stockings. They are large enough to hold a gift card and cute enough to display over your fireplace. Make 25 of them and you can create your own advent calendar!

MATERIALS

For One Mini Stocking:

- Two 8" x 7" rectangles of fabric for exterior
- Two 8" x 7" rectangles of fabric for lining
- One 9" x 4½" rectangle OR 9" strip of 2½"-wide faux fur trim for cuff
- 4" of 3/8"-wide ribbon

For 25 Mini Stockings for an Advent Calendar:

- 2¼ yards of fabric for exterior
- 2½ yards of fabric for lining
- % yard of fabric OR 6¼ yards of 2½"-wide faux fur trim for cuff
- 21/8 yards of 3/8"-wide ribbon

For Both Projects:

- Coordinating thread
- Scissors

Optional:

- 1/4" foot
- Hand-sewing needle
- Cardstock for making stocking template
- · Water-soluble marking pen



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All seams are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.

Print the stocking pattern. If you intend to make multiple stockings, you may want to make a durable template from cardstock. This will allow you to easily trace the stocking design onto your fabric with a water-soluble marker instead of pinning the pattern to the fabric each time.

Fold each fabric right sides together; this will allow you to cut two pieces at the same time and make sure you get a right and a left piece. Cut two stocking pieces from the exterior fabric and two from the lining fabric. Set the lining pieces aside.



Step Two

Sew the Stocking

With right sides together, sew around the sides of the exterior stocking, leaving the top edge open.



Step Three

Clip the Curves

Clip the curves, being careful not to cut into the stitching (this will allow the fabric to lay flat when turned). Turn the stocking right side out, poking out the toe and heel.



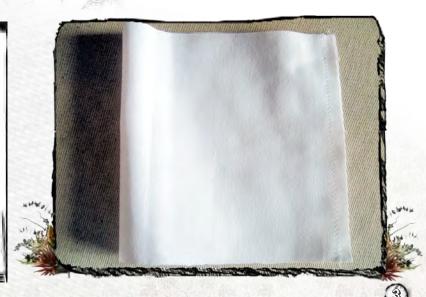
Press.



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Fabric Cuff

With right sides together, stitch the short ends of the 9" x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle together. Press the seam allowances open.



Fold the cuff in half, wrong sides together, matching the raw edges and seams, to create a fabric loop. Press.



Baste the cuff to the right side of the exterior stocking, matching the raw edges.



Faux Fur Cuff

With right sides together, sew the short ends of the trim together. To keep the fur from getting caught in the stitching, it's a good idea to brush the fur away from seam allowances before stitching. If fur becomes trapped in the stitching, pick it out with a straight pin.



Place the wrong side of the trim on top of the right side of the stocking exterior, matching the raw edges. Baste in place.



Step Four

Baste the Ribbon to the Cuff

Cut a 4" piece of ribbon and fold it in half, wrong sides together. Baste it to the top edge of the cuff, over the heel, matching the raw edges. Set the exterior stocking aside.



Sew the lining pieces together in the same way as the exterior pieces, but leave a 3" opening on one side for turning.



With right sides together, place the exterior stocking inside the lining, matching the seams and raw edges.



Sew around the entire top edge of the stocking. Turn the stocking right side out through the opening in the lining.



Press the finished stocking edge. Sew the hole in the lining closed by hand or machine.



