

Casserole Cover



Create a handy tote for your favorite 9" x 13" casserole dish. Perfect for pot luck suppers or holiday get-togethers. It works with hot or cold dishes and even has a pocket for a serving spoon.

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Skill Level: Beginner

Supplies:

Baby Lock Esanté Ese2
Baby Lock Imaginé Serger
Baby Lock embroidery card #36
1 yard 45" wide cotton fabric for cover
1 yard 45" wide cotton fabric for lining
1 yard cotton batting
4 cones matching Elite™ serger thread
1 spool all-purpose thread
1 spool YLI™ Lingerie and Bobbin thread
Assorted colors Ultrasheen™ Acrylic Embroidery thread for fruit motif
18" x 8" piece Sulky™ Totally Stable Iron On Fabric Stabilizer
Two 13" pieces of 5/8" dowel rod
5" sew-on hook and loop tape

Machine Set-Up

For garment construction:

Stitch: Straight Stitch Center Position
Needle and Bobbin: All-purpose thread
Needle type: Schmetz™ #80 Universal needle

For embroidery:

Embroidery Unit attached

Needle: Ultrasheen embroidery thread

Bobbin: YLI™ Lingerie and Bobbin thread

Needle Type: Schmetz™ #11 embroidery needle

Serger Set-Up:

Set Imaginé for 4-thread serging, stitch selector A, length 3.0 and width 7.5. Place Elite cone serger thread in the needles and loopers.

Cutting and Preparation:

Cut 1 pattern piece from each of the cotton fabrics (Diagram 1). Cut a rectangle 12-3/4" x 3-1/4" for the spoon pocket.

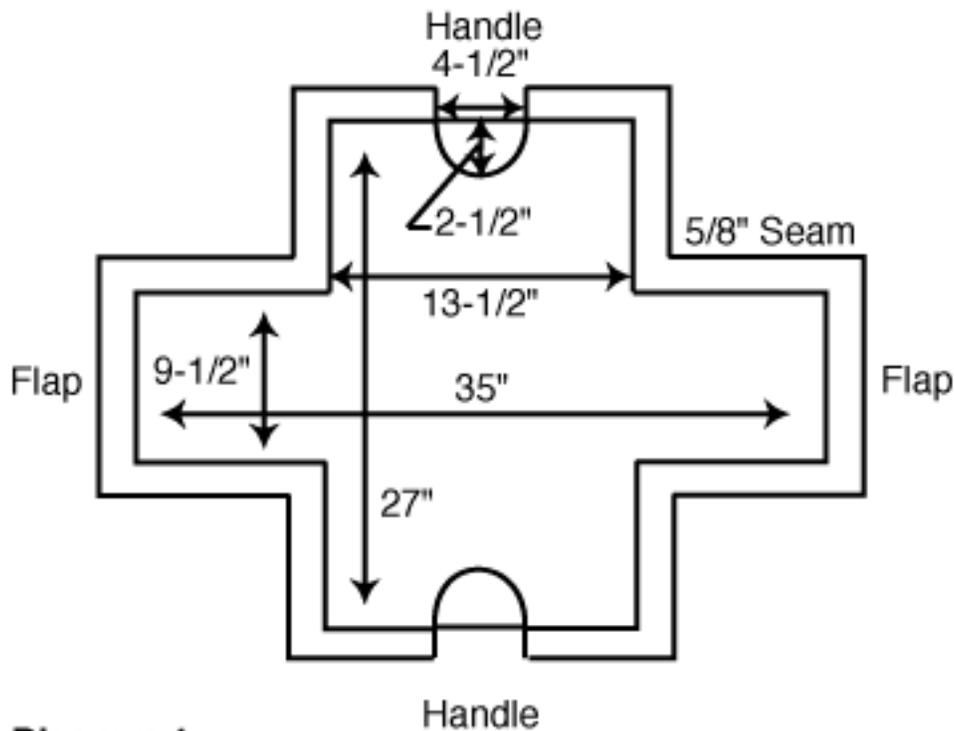


Diagram 1

Note: Be sure to add the 5/8" seam allowance on the outside edges as shown

Construction:

1. Mark the center of both handle sides of the tote on outer fabric only (Diagram 2). Hoop one side of the outer fabric with the stabilizer. Embroider the fruit basket design (frame #1) using your center marking as a guide for positioning the design. When complete, disconnect the embroidery unit and thread for normal straight stitch sewing.

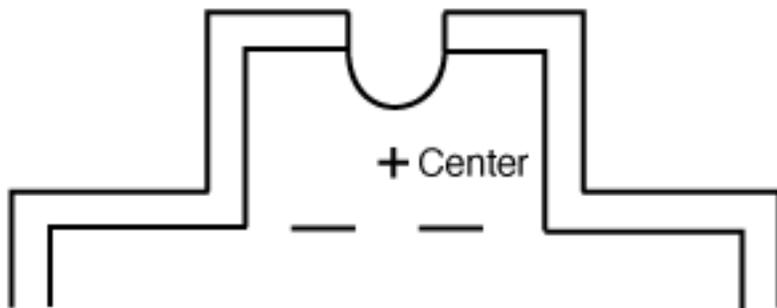


Diagram 2

2. Serge finish all four sides of the pocket rectangle. Press the serging under on two long sides and one short side. Turn under 5/8" on the

remaining short side and stitch one side of 1" piece of hook and loop tape to wrong side of pocket piece.

- Center the pocket horizontally on the opposite handle side, using the center mark as a reference point. Stitch the other half of 1" piece of hook and loop tape to outer fabric for pocket closure. Stitch close to edges of pocket, attaching to outer fabric.
- Place completed outer fabric and lining fabric right sides together. Place batting piece on top. Stitch 5/8" seam around sides except for circle cuts for handles. Trim seam allowances and turn right side out.
- Serge finish each circle cut edge, single layer. Press the serged edge to the wrong side using the serged edge as seam allowance. Slide dowel pieces into each handle area (Diagram 3).

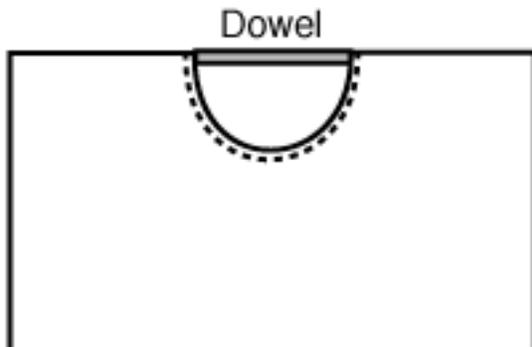


Diagram 3

- With the dowel to the LEFT of the presser foot, stitch the front and lining pieces together around the circle, and secure the dowel from slipping out of the handle. (Dowel must be to left of the presser foot. This will place the bulk of the fabric to the inner area of your sewing machine, however, your needle bar will hit the dowel if it is placed to the right). Repeat for the other side.
- Stitch remaining 4" of hook and loop tape to the inner folding sides of the casserole cover, about 5/8" in from seam edge (Diagram4).

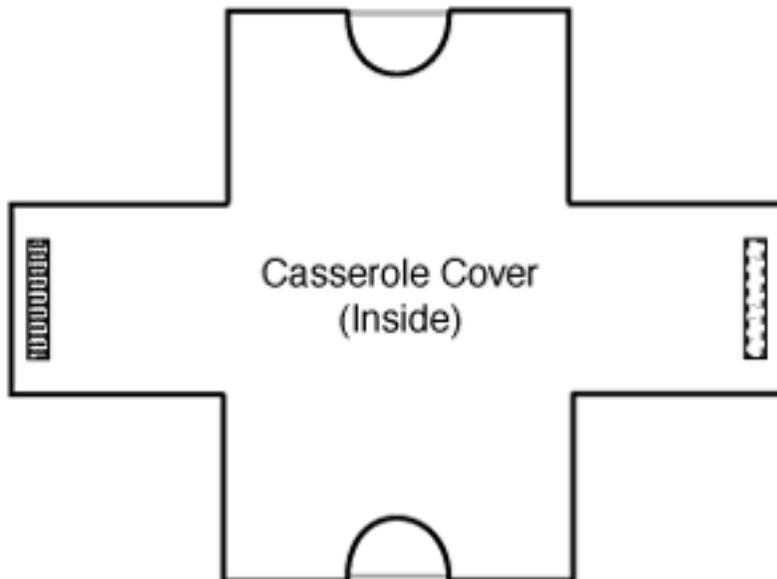


Diagram 4