

Sewing Machine Cozy Pattern

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Directions for our Cozy are for a standard size home sewing machine. It is 55½" around bottom edge; front and back panels are 12½" high x 18½" wide; and top/side panel is 9" across. Measure front, back, and center/back panel seam-to-seam, excluding binding. If you have a larger or smaller machine, you'll need to measure and resize the Cozy.* Fit is loose. You may need additional fabrics to sew a cozy for a larger machine. Front and back are identical.

Terminology in directions:

WOF means, "width of fabric". Where you see this, cut from selvage to selvage.

RST means "right sides together" - printed surfaces face each other.

WST means "wrong sides together"



Materials List

Avalanche! Hand Printed Panel by Block Party Studios, Corp.

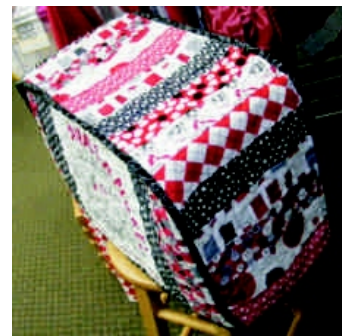
7-8 Assorted 2½" x WOF strips of fabric.

1- 6" strip Dark fabric to "frame" the Avalanche! blocks.

Lining - 1 yard

Binding - ½ yard

Batting - craft or scrap size. If using scrap, you'll need a piece for each of the 3 components.



Cutting

Cut out the 2 Avalanche! blocks on cutting lines from the panel. Blocks measure 10½" x 10½" (Hand printed fabrics may have shrunk slightly during printing. Don't worry - units you sew will be oversized and trimmed after construction.)

From scatter print on Avalanche! fabric, cut 2 - 2½" x 22" strips. Sub cut into 4 - 2½" x 11" rectangles for use on top/side panel. If your fabrics are slightly shorter than 22", don't worry! You'll trim after assembly, and slightly shorter fabric will still work.

From the 6" Dark fabric: Cut 2 - 2½" x WOF strips. Sub-cut 4 - 2½" x 15½" rectangles and 4 - 2½" x 11" rectangles for front/back. (You can use the leftover fabric for the top/sides 2½" x 11" strips.)

From the 7- 8 assorted prints: Cut 2½" x WOF strips. From these 2½" strips: Cut 4 - 2½" x 15½" strips for the front/back AND cut 17- 2½" x 11" strips for the top/sides. (If you need extra strips, cut a 2½" strip from the binding fabric then sub cut 4 - 2½" x 11" rectangles.)

From the lining fabric: Cut 2 - 18" x 22" pieces for the front and back lining. Cut 1 - 12" x 45" piece for top/sides lining. Cut 4 - 2½" x 15½" rectangles for front/back.

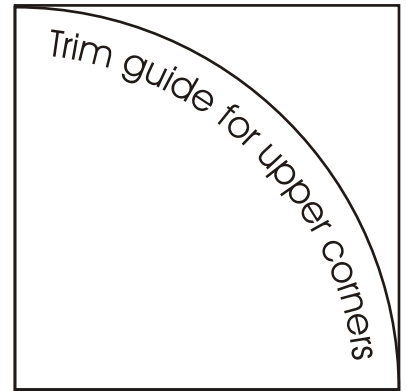
From the binding fabric: Cut 5 - 2½" x WOP strips.

From the batting: Cut 2 - 18" x 22" pieces for the front and back AND cut 1 - 12" x 45" piece for top/sides.



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Assembly

Center/Side Panel

Press-mark centers of 12" x 45" lining fabric by folding in half lengthwise, then crosswise, and pressing. Lay flat, wrong side up. Press-mark batting in same fashion. Lay 12" x 45" batting atop wrong side of lining. Match fold lines of backing and batting. Pin along matched lines and smooth so they lay out flat without bumps or creases.

Press-mark centers of each 2½" x 11" strip by folding in half and pressing to 2½" x 5½" (if pieces are shorter than 11", fold in half). Starting in the middle of backing/batting where the folds formed a "+", lay two 2½" x 11" strips RST atop backing/batting, along marked fold, and stitch through all layers using a ¼" seam. Press open. Lay a 2½" x 11" strip, centered, RST on each of the two strip raw edges. Pin and stitch each seam through all layers using a ¼" inch seam. Press open. Periodically turn lining side up and press to assure that lining is smooth and free of puckers. Repeat, adding strips and stitching through all layers, for a total of 21 strips. Using a mat, ruler, and rotary cutter, trim center/side panel to 9½" wide and leave the length intact. Set aside.

Front and Back

Fold 18" x 22" lining rectangle in half, then in half opposite, and press. The spot where the folds form a "+" is the center. Fold and press batting in the same way. Press mark Avalanche! block in the same way to find center.

Matching center and folds, lay out lining wrong side up, batting atop, Avalanche! block right side up. Pin along matched lines and smooth so they lay out flat without bumps or creases.

Using the four strips of dark "frame" fabric and the same technique used for center/side panel, stitch through all layers, adding strips to the Avalanche! panel in the following order: 11" strips to top, bottom; 15½" strips to left, right. Trim each strip even with edges and press toward outside edge as you sew.

Add additional 15½" strips to left and right using the same technique, pressing toward outside edge. Repeat, adding second set of strips to left and right. Inside the Avalanche! block, quilt as desired. Monofilament thread is recommended.

Making sure Avalanche! block is centered, trim front to 13" x 19" using your mat, ruler, and rotary cutter. Trim the two TOP corners to a rounded shape using the curve at upper right.

Repeat these steps to make Back.



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Joining the parts

Press-or pin-mark the center of the center/side panel. Press-or-pin-mark the center of the trimmed back and front panels. Place center/side panel and front panel WRONG SIDES together. Pin and stitch the two pieces together using $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Clip curves, being careful not to cut through stitching. Ends of center/side panel and will extend beyond bottom of the front panel. Do not trim yet.

Place center/side panel and back panel WRONG sides together, matching centers. Pin and stitch the two pieces together using $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Before stitching, check to see that placement of the bottom corners falls in the same place on each side of $2\frac{1}{2}$ " center/side panel strip. Ends of center/side panel will extend beyond bottom of back panel. After joining the 3 pieces, use your mat/ruler/rotary cutter to trim ends of center/side panel even with bottom corners of front and back.

Binding

Using the - $2\frac{1}{2}$ " binding strips, join them end-to-end with a mitered seam. Press entire length of binding in half WST. Matching raw edges, pin binding into place along Cozy front, stitching from one bottom corner, around the top, and ending at the other bottom corner. Stitch binding to Cozy, one stitch-width behind the seam so that seam is covered by binding. Trim binding strip even with bottom corners. Repeat as above to stitch binding to Cozy back.

Turn binding over raw edge and blind-stitch down, covering stitching lines.

Repeat as above to stitch binding to bottom edge of Cozy and blind stitch, covering stitching lines.

*To measure and resize your Sewing Machine Cozy to fit a larger machine:

-You will need to re-figure fabric and batting requirements based on the size of your machine. You will also need to revise cutting instructions.

-Measure around the widest part (probably the rectangular base) of your machine. To this measurement, add 2-3". This needs to be the finished size of the bottom edge of your cozy.

-Measure the depth of your machine back-to-front. Measure at the widest part. This plus $\frac{1}{2}$ " is the depth of your Cozy. Make center/side panel unit at least 2" wider than this to allow for trimming after it is constructed.

-Starting at the left side of your machine on the tabletop, measure up and across the top of the machine, then back down to the table top on the right side. Make the center/side panel at least 4" longer than this to allow for trimming after Cozy is reconstructed.

-Measure from table top to the highest part of your machine. This plus $\frac{1}{2}$ " is height of front & back panels.

-Measure across the front of your machine from left to right at the widest part (probably the rectangular base). Add 1" and this is the width of front & back panels.

-To arrive at a width for center/side panel, multiply width of front panel x 2. Subtract this number from the measurement of the finished size around the bottom edge. Divide this number by 2 and add $\frac{1}{2}$ ". This is the width of the center/side panel. Remember - do not trim the length of the center/side panel until after the cozy is stitched together.



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