

Baby Changing Pad

A soft changing pad with embroidery makes a cute addition to any baby's diaper bag.

Made from absorbent terrycloth and water resistant PUL, this changing pad is as useful as it is adorable.

Read on for project instructions!

Supplies

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5/8 yard terrycloth (for front)

5/8 PUL fabric (polyester/polyurethane laminated fabric -- for back)

Water soluble stabilizer (for topping.

I prefer Sulky Solvy or Sulky Super Solvy)

Medium weight cutaway stabilizer

Temporary spray adhesive

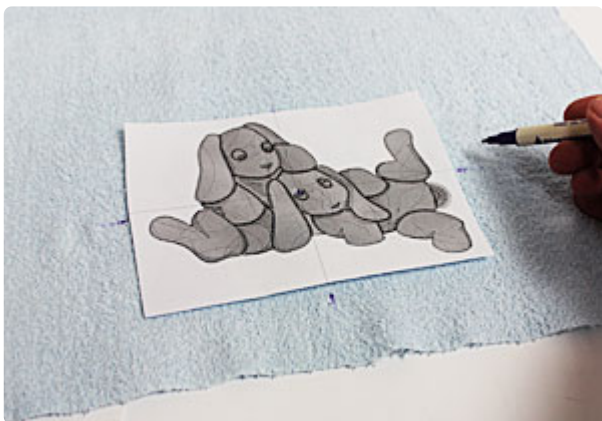
Designs Used:

For this changing

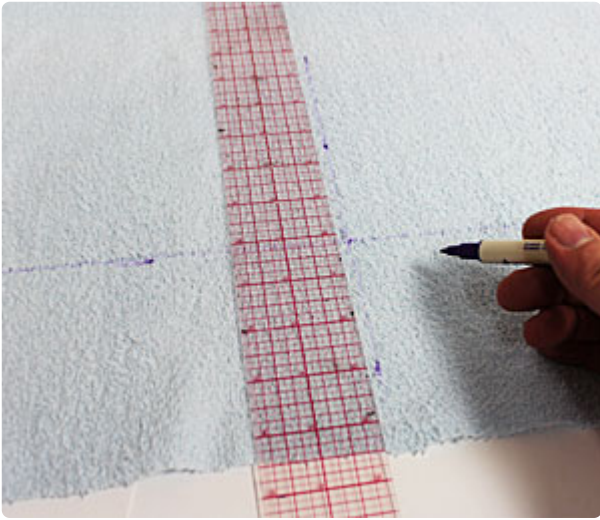


Steps To Complete

To begin, cut a piece of terry cloth to 19" wide by 25" high. This will be the embroidered front of the pad. Create a paper template of the design by printing it at full size using embroidery software. See these [handy instructions](#) for more information about making and using templates. Position the template on the fabric where you want it. I centered the design along the bottom edge of the fabric with the bottom edge of the design about 2" from the bottom edge of the fabric.



To center the template, measure equal distances between the center of the template and the outer edges of the fabric. Using an air-erase pen or other marking tool, poke a hole in the center of the template and mark the fabric. Also, mark the horizontal and vertical axis points.



Remove the template and draw lines connecting the marks.



Spray a piece of medium weight cutaway stabilizer with temporary adhesive and smooth the fabric on top. Lay a piece of water soluble stabilizer on top of the fabric. This topping helps to prevent the stitches from sinking into the fabric. Hoop all three layers together by aligning the marks on the hoop with the lines on the fabric. Attach the hoop to the machine and load the design. Move the hoop so that the needle is directly over the center point on the fabric. Embroider the design.



When the design has finished, trim the excess stabilizer on the backside of the embroidery. Also, gently tear away the topping. If any small bits remain you can use a tweezers to remove them. Or, wet your finger tips with water and brush the bits away.



Next, cut a piece of the PUL fabric to 19" wide by 25" high. Lay the PUL fabric flat with the soft side facing up (rubber side facing down). Align the embroidered top piece on top of the PUL fabric with the wrong side facing up. Pin in place and sew a 1/2" seam along the outer edges of the fabric leaving about 5" to 6" open along the bottom edge.



Clip the seam allowances at the corners and turn the pad right side out. Press the seams with an iron (press on the terry cloth side). Also, turn the fabric of the opening in 1/2" and press. Top stitch a 1/4" seam along the entire outer edge of the pad. And you are done!



Sweet embroidered changing pads make the perfect baby shower gift!