

Vintage Footstool with Cushion

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Pattern Level: Easy

Finished size: 18 ½" x 13" x 10" High

Seam Allowance: All seam allowances are ½". When measuring pieces add 1" to the length and 1" to the width for the seam allowances.



Materials Needed:

Vintage Plaid #F0238-GL 2 ¼ Yds.

Vintage Green #FA0210-GL 1 ¾ Yds.

3/8" Cotton Cord 4 Yds.

2" Foam 1 ½ Ft.

Polyester Fleece 1 Yd.

Box 1

Note: The fabric amounts are based on a 18 ½" x 13" x 10" high box.

Instructions:

- 1) Measure the length, width and height of your box. **View Illustration 1**
- 2) Cut 1 piece of the plaid fabric the measurement of piece A. (Don't forget to add seam allowances.)
- 3) Cut 4 pieces of piece B from the plaid fabric. With right sides together sew 2 pieces on 2 long sides and 1 short side. Clip corners diagonally, turn and press. Repeat with the other 2 pieces. **View Illustration 2**
- 4) Cut 4 pieces from the plaid fabric for piece C adding 8" to the width for the pleats and 1" to the length and width for the seam allowance. Sew together as in step 3. Clip corners, turn and press.
- 5) To form the pleat mark the center top (the raw edge) of each piece, then mark 4" away on each side from the center mark. Fold the outside marks in to the center point. Stitch across the pleats to hold and press them flat. **View Illustration 3**
- 6) With right sides together stitch panels B to the corresponding sides. **View Illustration 4**
- 7) Stitch panels C to the other sides. **View Illustration 5**
- 8) Center the plackets piece D on each corner and stitch in place. **View Illustration 6**
- 9) Fit the cover over the box.

CUSHION

- 10) Cut 2 pieces of the green fabric the size of the box top adding the seam allowance.
- 11) Cut 1 strip 3" x 62" for the gusset.

FOOTSTOOL

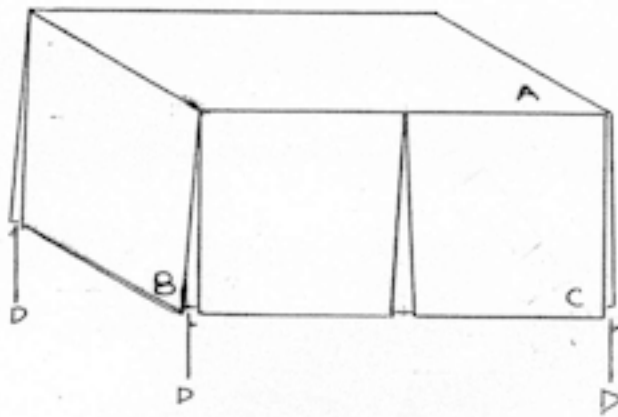


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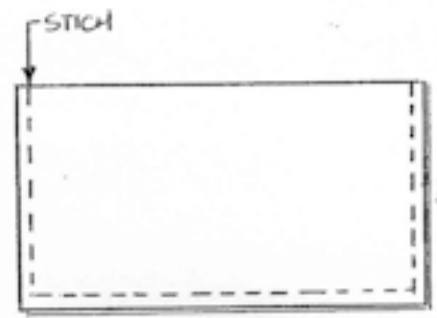


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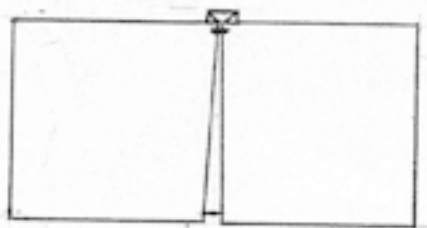


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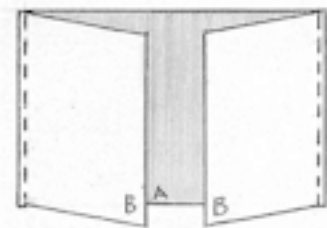


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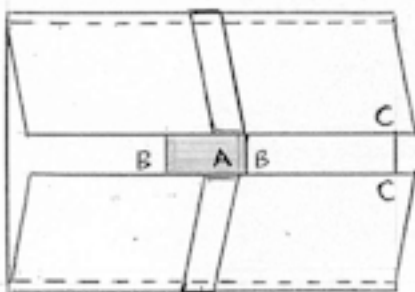


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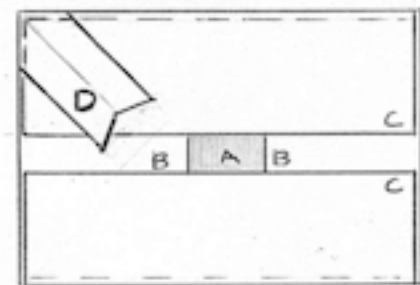


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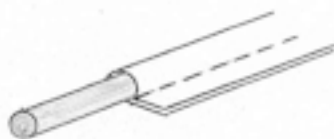


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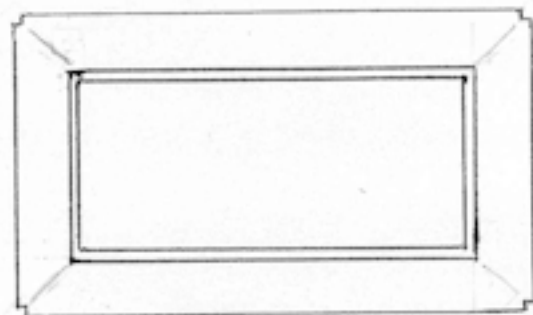


ILLUSTRATION 8

- 12) To make the cording, measure the top on all 4 sides, double this measurement and add 4". Cut the plaid fabric in a 1 3/4" strip by this measurement. You can piece the strips to get to the desired length. With a zipper or cording foot sew the fabric around the cording. **View Illustration 7**
- 13) Stitch the cording around the outside of the cushion pieces with the raw edges of the cushion and the cording even.
- 14) With right sides together stitch the short ends of the gusset together.
- 15) Pin the gusset to the cushion top and stitch all around. As you get to each corner of the cushion top notch the gusset where it will meet the corner to make turning the corners easier.
- 16) After stitching mark the gusset on the opposite side with notches to match the notches you made previously. **View Illustration 8**
- 17) Stitch the cushion bottom to the gusset leaving 12" open on the side with the gusset seam.
- 18) Cut the foam to the size of the box top. Wrap the fleece tightly around the foam and hand stitch it to hold it in place.
- 19) Insert the foam into the cushion and hand stitch the opening closed.

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