DIY Potholders Supplies

Please note, this is what you will need for ONE potholder.

- Sewing Machine (<u>THIS</u> is the machine I use and love)
- Scissors
- Iron and ironing board
- (2) squares of 9"x9" fabric
- (2) squares of 9"x9" insulated, heat resistant batting (I used Insul-Bright, which you can find HERE.



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DIY Potholders Instructions

Gather your supplies. Lay one piece of insulated batting down, then on top of it a fabric square right-side up. Lay the other fabric square right-side down on top of that, and the final piece of insulated batting to top it off.

NOTE: Make sure at this point that the fabric pieces and batting pieces are either lining up even, OR that the fabric is slightly bigger than the batting. You'll want to err on the side of the fabric being bigger rather than smaller.

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Now, make your way around the edges of the pieces, pinning it all together. I like to make a mark with two pins on one side about a third of the way down. This is a note to yourself that this is where you will stop sewing.

What you are going to do is sew *almost* all the way around the edges, leaving about a 2"-3" gap on one side to be able to turn the potholder inside out.









Moving on to the sewing machine. Start sewing at the bottom edge of the opening you decided, and sew about 1/4 in from the edges. Be sure to do a back-forth-stitch when you start.

Sew all the way around the edges and stopping about 2"-3" from where you started. End with a backand-forth stitch.



Trim off the excess on the corners and all the way around the edges, getting close to your stitches but not cutting over them.



Now you can turn your potholder inside out, using the opening you created. Be sure to push the corners out as best you can with your fingers.

Once you have it turned inside out, fold the raw edges into the middle of the potholder at the opening. Do a top stitch all the way around, about 1/4" in to seal all of your edges.





Finally, you're going to do a top stitch over the center of the potholder, quilting it together so the insides don't move around too much.

You can keep it as simple as a big X through the middle with your stitches, or get more creative. In this one I did striped pattern.



Cut off any stray threads and that's it! You have a really cute and simple potholder now.

Note: We are not putting in a hook to hang the potholder. Yours will not have a hook.