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Stylish Baby Changing Pad

Measures Approximately 16" x 38"

This stylish baby changing pad is great for the chic mom on the go. From the park to parties, this functional changing pad will keep you fashionable. Designer fabric on the outside, soft and plush chenille or flannel on the inside and an inner lining of fleece makes this changing pad comfy for baby and cute for mom! Ribbons are attached to the pad so roll up is easy! And all of the materials are machine washable so you can toss it in the washer and dryer.

Note: Please read through all directions before starting. Pre-washing your fabrics is highly recommended for this project. All seams are with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance unless otherwise noted.

Materials:

- ½ yard 44" wide quilting cotton
- ½ yard 44" wide chenille or flannel
- 1 ¼ yards 22" wide fleece or thin batting
- 3 yards ribbon or twill tapes

Glossary:

- RS – Right Side
- WS – Wrong Side

Directions:

1. From focus fabric, lining, and inner lining, cut one piece each that measure 18" x 40".
2. Divide ribbon into 4 equal sections approximately 27" long.
3. Mark ribbon placement on focus fabric with a fabric pen according to these measurements:

- a. With fabric RS up and from top right edge, measure 17 ½" down. Make an X ½" from the edge. From this point, measure 7" down and make another X ½" from the edge.
4. Place one piece of ribbon on one X with ½" of end of ribbon sticking over the right edge of the fabric on the RS. The longer tail of the ribbon should be to your left. Baste the ribbon down at ¼" from the edge. Repeat for other piece of ribbon on the other X.
5. Pin ribbons securely out of the way to the center of the fabric.



6. On a flat surface, lay the focus fabric RS up. Lay the chenille or flannel RS down on top of the focus fabric matching sides and corners. Lay the inner lining on top of the chenille or flannel and pin all layers securely in place.



7. Starting on the long edge opposite the ribbons and approximately 6" from top edges with inner lining on top, sew with a 5/8" seam. A walking foot is very helpful in this stage. If you do not have a walking foot, take special care that the fabrics do not stretch too much and take it slow. Sew for 3 to 4 inches and then backstitch. Switch the setting on your machine to a basting stitch. Baste the next 8". Switch back to your normal stitch setting, backstitch, and continue to sew around the rest of the sides until you have reached your starting point. Backstitch and cut threads.

8. Carefully trim away the bulk from the seam allowances. Only cut the inner lining and chenille or flannel layers. Do not trim the focus fabric. Also, do not trim any layers next to the basting stitches. (It will be easier to hand stitch closed later.)



9. Trim all layers at each corner. Press seam open only where the basting stitches are. Take out the basting

stitches with a seam ripper.

10. Turn changing pad RS out (being mindful of the pins holding the ribbons in place; remove pins) and press all edges well.
11. Hand stitch the opening used for turning closed. Topstitch around entire pad $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edges, then again $\frac{3}{4}$ " away from the edges.

To fold changing pad, lay pad on flat surface with shorter ends to the left and right. Fold the right end towards the center $\frac{1}{3}$ of the way. Fold the left end to meet the right side fold. Roll from opposite side of the ribbons. Wrap the ribbons around the pad and tie in a bow.

Your changing pad is complete! Now where did that baby go? ^_^



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