

Town Clock Stitches

Rolled Needlework Carrier

Materials:

- 2 5/8 inch diameter mailing tube (shortened to 25 inches or desired length)
- 1 meter of outer fabric
- 1 meter of lining
- 1 large button
- Ribbon to match outer fabric
- Matching thread



- Cut a strip of the outer fabric 1 meter in length and the width equal to the length of the tube.
- Cut a piece of lining the same size.
- Cut 4 fabric circles 7½ inches in diameter - 2 circles of outer fabric
2 circles of lining fabric
- Cut 1 circle of outer fabric 5 inches in diameter for ruffle under button

Stitching and Assembly:

1. With right sides together, stitch a narrow seam on the sides and bottom of the fabric roll. Stitch the corners as a gentle curve.
2. Clip the seam allowance of the curved ends at right angles to the seam.
3. Turn right side out and press flat.
4. Top stitch the sides and bottom.
5. Place the fabric circles over each end of the mailing tube and glue in place. Secure with elastic until dry. (Hot glue may be used or a good craft glue)
6. Lay the tube on the lining side at the open end of the fabric rectangle.
7. Roll the tube and fabric until the fabric is wrapped about 1½ times around the tube. The width of the fabric will be approximately 1 inch shorter than the tube, leaving about ½ inch of the fabric circles showing on each end.
8. Slip stitch the fabric to itself down the length of the tube and around each end to the fabric circles.
9. To make a ruffled base for the button, run a basting stitch around the outer edge of the 5-inch circle and pull tight to form a ruffled circle.
10. Place the center of the ribbon at the front of the needlework roll on the outer fabric. Place the ruffled circle on top of the ribbon and then add the button. Stitch all three together firmly.
11. To use your carrier lay your stitched piece on the lining, roll the tube end over your stitched piece and tie the ribbon.

Enjoy!

