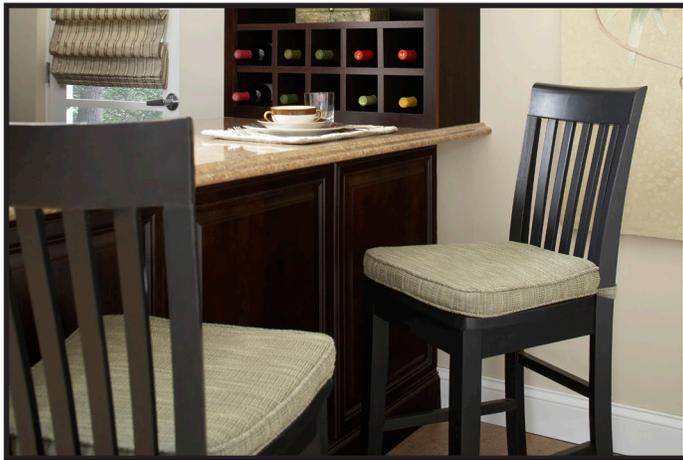


Rowley project list: **Kitchen Seat - Cushion**

Adding a cushion to a hard chair is an easy way to add immediate comfort. This project guide will walk you through the steps to make a simple, hand-closed cushion with hook and loop ties.



MATERIALS & SUPPLIES

Rowley Products

5 oz. Polyester Batting
Foam Rubber & General Purpose
Contact Spray Adhesive
Polyester Iron-On Batting
Curved Needle
5/32" Polyester Welt Cord
Sew on Hook Tape
Sew On Loop Tape

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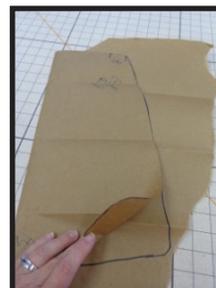
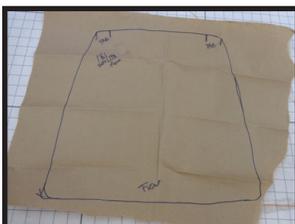
Other Supplies: 1" Medium Density Foam

KITCHEN SEAT - CUSHION: STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

The depth of the cushion can be easily changed by using thicker foam and making the boxing wider. Keep in mind though, that the higher the cushion the less leg room for sitting. Generally you want to stay at/under 2" of foam for a hard seat chair.

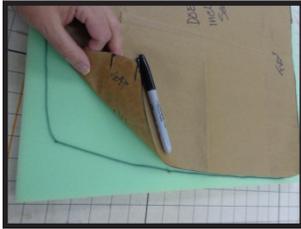
Working with the Pattern:

- 1** Using a scrap of lining, a paper bag or pattern paper, trace the outline of the chair seat.
 - A.** Make notes on where the ties will need to be sewn in and how long the ties need to be to function.
- 2** Cut out 1/2 of the pattern, fold in half and finish cutting the rest of the pattern. This will ensure a symmetrical pattern.
 - A.** Make any additional notes needed on the pattern. Example: Does not include seam allowances; number of cushions to make; how much welt is needed, etc.

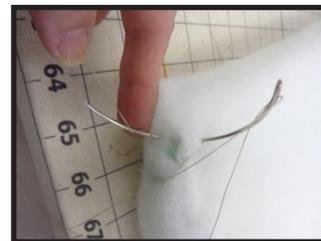


Cutting & Prepping the Foam:

- 1 Lay the pattern on the foam and cut, cutting the same size as the pattern.
- 2 Cut a piece of batting the same size as the foam and spray glue it to the top of the foam.
 - A. This will add a slight crown to the top of the cushion without adding to the overall depth.

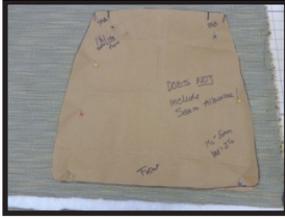


- 3 Cut a piece of batting large enough to cover the entire piece of foam.
- 4 Wrap batting around foam, cutting away any that would overlap and any excess at the corners.
- 5 Whip stitch the batting to keep the layers from shifting.
 - A. Load a curved needle with heavy thread.
 - B. Tie a loop at the end, catching both threads
 - C. Insert the curved needle through the batting and through the loop.
 - D. As you start to run out of thread, insert the needle, wrap the thread a few times around the needle and pull it through.
 - E. Continue with a new piece as often as needed to complete the cushion insert.



Making the Cushion:

- 1 Lay the fabric on the table, face up, and then lay the pattern on top of the fabric.
- 2 Cut out the cushion's top and bottom, adding seam allowances as you cut.
- 3 To add body to the fabric, iron on a layer of Iron-On Batting to the back of both the top and bottom cushion pieces.
- 4 Cut fabric for the boxing and for welt cord.
 - A. Since we used 1" foam and added extra loft with the small batting piece, cut the boxing at 2 1/2" x enough to go around the cushion plus 6" for joining.

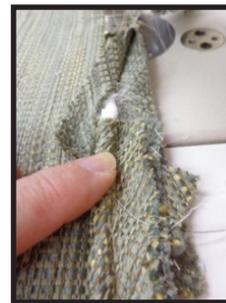
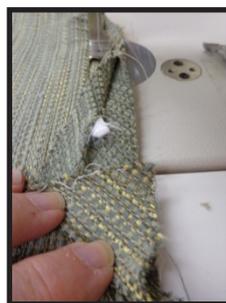


5 Make enough covered welt cord to go around both the top and the bottom of the cushion.

6 Sew the welt to the top cushion piece, sewing with the welt on the bottom.
A. Plan for the joint to be at the back, between the ties.



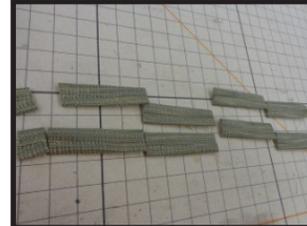
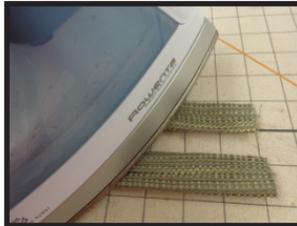
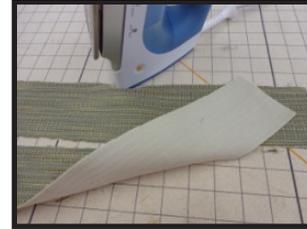
7 Join the welt at the machine as you come to it.
A. Open the casing to the cord coming toward you.
B. Fold the casing back onto itself forming a 45° angle.
C. Clip the exposed cord out of the casing behind the fold.
D. Lay the covered cord that is running away from you over the fold and clip so that the cord ends match.
E. Fold over the first fold and sew down.



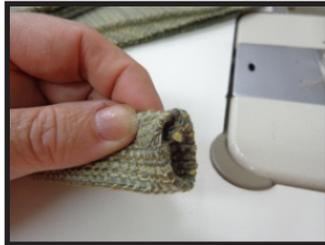
Making the Ties:

Our chair frame leg measured 1½" x 1¼" so a cut length of 4" is needed per tie.

- 1 Cut a strip of fabric at 3"W x 18"L.
- 2 Fold it in half, lengthwise and sew across one short end and the long side.
- 3 Turn right sides out. Clip off the short sewn end and press.
- 4 Cut the strip into 4" pieces.



- 5 At the machine, turn under one edge of each tie ½" to hide the raw edges.
- 6 Sew across the turned ends to close.



Finishing the Cushion:

- 1 Pin the ties to the cushion bottom where the pattern indicates.
A. Fold the ties in half, lengthwise with the fold toward the inside
- 2 Sew ties to cushion bottom.
- 3 Sew welt around cushion bottom, joining at the back between the ties.



- 4** Sew the boxing to the cushion top, right sides together, starting and stopping at the back.
- A.** Sew with the boxing strip on the bottom for a tight seam.
 - B.** Join the two pieces as you come to them by walking the pieces together, marking where they need to join and sewing the seam.
 - C.** Open the joined seam and complete sewing the boxing to the cushion top.



- 5** Sew the cushion bottom to the boxing, right sides together, leaving an opening for turning.



- 6** Clip any curved corners, as needed.

- 7** Turn right side out.

- 8** Fold the ties as they would lie around the chair frame, paying attention to which side will need hook and which side will need loop tape.

- A.** It is important for aesthetic reasons that the outside tie wrap over the inside tie. That way no ends will show to the side of the chair.

- 9** Sew on the hook and loop pieces.





Installation:

Place cushion, with the top facing up, onto the seat. Wrap the ties around the chair frame and press together.