

Felt Needle Case

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I love how easy my ScanNCut makes it to cut lovely little designs from felt. In this tutorial, you'll learn how to create a booklet-style felt needle case. These needle cases make great gifts and can be customized for the recipient with a variety of motifs and even their name!

Materials:

- Felt rectangles
- Pins
- Sewing Machine with thread
- Scissors
- Stiff Felt for embellishments
- Washi Tape or masking tape
- [ScanNCut DX](#) with AutoBlade
- Standard Mat with High Tack Fabric Support Sheet
- Optional: hook and spatula
- Embroidery Floss
- Hand sewing needle
- Fabric glue

Instructions:

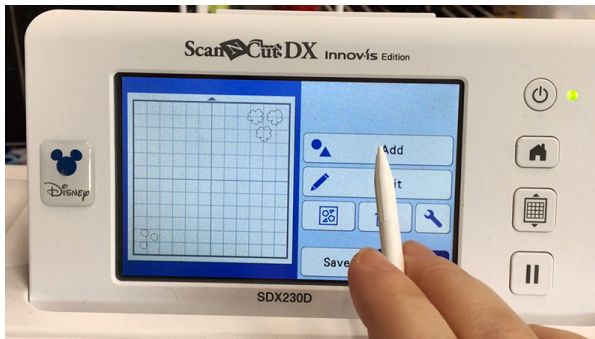
1. Use a sewing machine to stitch two rectangles of felt together, down the center, to create the basic needle case "book." Clip any excess threads.



2. From the built-in patterns, choose a simple flower design that you like. Reduce the size to around 1" or another size that will fit on your needle case cover. Make sure to choose to have several copies of that design.



3. If you would like to add another flower pattern to the mix, choose “Add” and then pick another flower to work with. Reduce the size and choose to have several copies of that design.
4. Choose “Add” again and choose a leaf design to add to your design. Again, reduce the size and choose to have several copies of that design.



5. Place your Stiff Felt onto a cutting mat with a High Tack Fabric Support Sheet.
6. Tape all of the edges.
7. Load the mat into the machine and scan it.
7. Arrange all of the items on the mat so that they will be cut from the felt color of your choice.





8. Be sure to do a test cut before cutting all of your felt.
9. If the test cut looks good, go ahead and cut your felt!



10. Once the ScanNCut has finished cutting, remove the tape and the felt pieces from the mat.
11. Arrange the felt pieces on the cover of your needle case. If you wish to cut additional sizes/colors/shapes of felt, do so.



12. Once you're satisfied with your design, use embroidery floss to add decorative stitches to your felt pieces.
13. Stitch the decorative pieces to the front of the needle case.



14. Glue a piece of felt to the back of the needle case cover to hide the stitching.



15. Fill the needle case with needles and pins!

