

# Circular Knitting Needle Holder

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Materials: 1/2 yd fabric, thread, 1 snap fastener (or button), pinking shears.

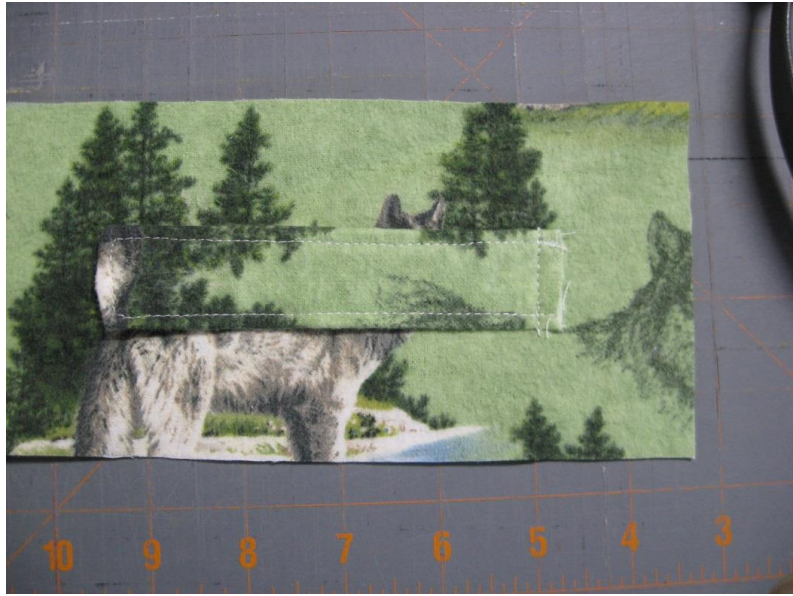
Cut 8 (or 10) strips of fabric 15 x 3 3/4 inches. (Eight strips will hold 8 circular knitting needles; 10 strips will hold 10 circular knitting needles)

Cut 1 strip of fabric 5 x 2 1/2 inches.

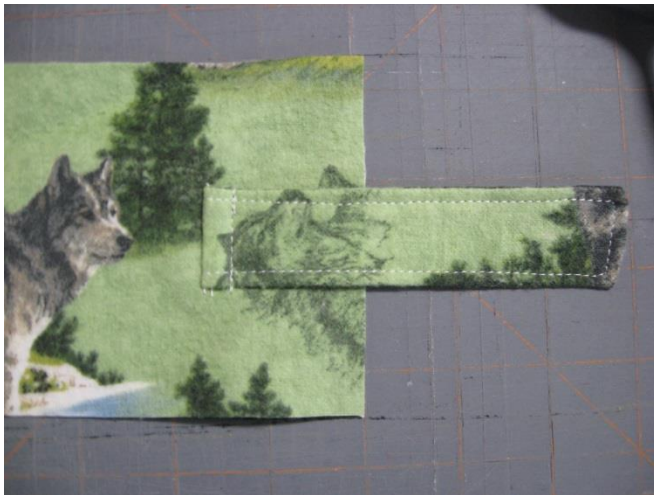
Cut one small square approximately 1 x 1 inch.

Prepare outer pocket with button tab as follows:

For Tab: Fold 5 x 2 1/2 inch strip in half lengthwise, right sides together. Sew one short side and long side opposite fold. Leave other short side open. Clip corner; turn right side out.



Top-stitch along 3 finished sides of tab. Center open end of tab on one of the long strips of fabric and sew a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch seam  $1\frac{1}{2}$  - 2 inches from short edge (as pictured). Fold tab back over seam and sew  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch from fold.



Attach snap fastener (or make a buttonhole) on top end of tab ('top' being the right side, as pictured to the left).



With small 1 x 1 piece of fabric, trim edges with pinking shears and place right side up on wrong side of fabric at opposite end of tab (this helps reinforce the fabric where the snap or button is). Fold both wrong sides up so you can align the tab (or buttonhole) with the other part of the snap fastener (or button). – see picture below

Holding small piece firmly in place, attach the other half of the snap fastener (or the button) to the right side of the fabric.



Place strip with tab and snaps wrong sides together with another long strip of fabric and sew with  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch seam along both long sides. This will form a tube with both short ends open.

Make 3 (or 4) more tubes with remaining fabric strips. With pinking shears, trim all edges close to edge of fabric, even at ends of openings, being sure to keep tab folded back while you cut.



Stack all the tubes on top of each other, with the tab on the very bottom as pictured above, keeping all edges even. With a pencil or tailor's chalk, mark a line at center of stack:



Sew along marked line through all layers, being sure to secure stitching at each end. Fold at center line and snap to close.



If desired, mark needle size on the inside of pockets with a permanent marker.

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