

Chainstitch Embellished Belt: Tips & Hints





This simple, elegant belt features a chainstitch embellishment, sewn using the PFAFF® admire™ air 7000 coverlock machine. The chainstitch is a 2-thread stitch, created using the machine's chainstitch needle and chainstitch looper. By using a heavier weight, decorative thread in the chainstitch looper, the result is a bolder, more pronounced appearance to the stitch.

Prepare the belt fabric by first determining the desired belt length and add seam allowances.

Determine the desired width for the belt, then multiply this measurement by 2, and add seam allowances. Note: The belt shown has a finished width of 3.5" (approximately 9cm).

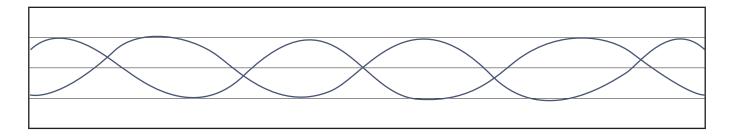
Place a stabilizer on the wrong side of the fabric to provide a nice foundation for stitching.

On the stabilizer side, mark the center of the belt lengthwise and also 1.75" (4.5cm) on each long edge, which is the part of your belt that will be visible when it is finished.

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Now, also on the stabilizer side, draw lines in a random pattern of your choice. These lines will be used as stitching guidelines.



Set the stitch length to 4.0mm. Sew the chainstitch from the wrong side of the fabric, so that the looper thread will form on the right side of the belt.



If desired, choose several different threads for variety. For the belt shown, a mix of metallic and cotton threads were used.

Sew the belt right sides together on each long side. Turn the belt right side out. Add a closure of your choice to finish.



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