



Composition Notebook Cover

1/3-yard fabric (use one of easyFab's repeatable swatches or design one of your own)
1/2-yard fusible interfacing
12" of 1/4" elastic

-Cut two pieces of fabric 12" x 22". One is the top and one is the pocket.

-Cut one piece of fusible 12" x 22", and another piece 6" x 22". Fuse the larger piece to the back side of one 12" x 22" fabric. Fuse the other piece to the back side of pocket fabric, lining up the long edge of the interfacing with the long edge of the fabric. (half of your pocket fabric will have the interfacing fused to it)

-Fold the pocket wrong sides together the long way and press. Top stitch the folded edge about 1/4" away from fold.

-Baste the pocket to the right side of the cover fabric. Line up the three raw edges and baste very close to the raw edges on the three sides of the pocket. Leave the folded edge free.

-Top stitch the pocket where the spine will be, right down the middle of the cover from top to bottom. Back stitch at the folded edge for reinforcement.

-Hem the side flaps by turning under 1/4" and top stitch.

-Lay the notebook out flat on top of the cover to find where the flaps will fold. Make sure the pocket is opening up to the top. Fold the flaps over the book covers and pin in place. You can move the book if you have room, so the pocket is deeper. Mark the stitching line where you will stitch the flap in place. The line will be 1/4" away from the book cardboard's top and bottom. Take out the book and press a crease on each flap.

-Open out the left flap as you are looking at your cover and line up your elastic 1" to the right of the crease of the flap. It will end up on the back of your finished cover. Baste the top and bottom. Fold the flap back on the crease and stitch your flap seams.

-Clip the corners and trim the top and bottom seam allowances. Turn the flaps and poke out corners.

-Fold the top and bottom spine seams to the wrong side and press. Top stitch on the outside of the cover, but do not top stitch on the flap.