



PRINTING ON WIDE-FORMAT FABRIC ROLLS

Use THREADS inkjet printable fabrics only in wide-format inkjet printers that use aqueous (water-based) inks. (THREADS fabrics will not work in dye-sublimation, UV or solvent printers.) THREADS will work in Canon's Océ ColorWave® toner printers. We've also heard of encouraging print results when THREADS were used in Hewlett-Packard's latex printers.

Use wide-format THREADS inkjet fabrics for larger projects that you don't want to piece from smaller fabric sheets.

Wide-format rolls are also used to create fabric yardage. Use Fabric Studio or easyFab Design software to create the design and the repeats.

Each THREADS fabric is available in 10-yard rolls in these widths:

- 17"
- 24"
- 36"
- 44"
- FULL WIDTH:
 - 54" for Cotton Poplin 4 oz. and Cotton Lawn 2 oz.
 - 56" for Cotton Twill 7 oz.
 - 50" for each of the Silk fabrics

Printing on fabric rolls is very similar to printing on fabric rolls, which in turn is similar to printing on fabric sheets. Please refer to **Printing on Fabric Sheets** and **Printing on Fabric Rolls** for the basics, because that information will not be repeated here.

All wide-format printers have built-in roll handling.

You'll probably want to turn off your printer's cutter and leave it off. It will work on the fabric, but its blade is designed for paper cutting. Fabrics traditionally need a very sharp blade for a clean cut. (Your mother might have told you not to use her "good" scissors on paper!)

Refer to your printer manual for the best methods for caring for your printer, including cleaning it. This might involve using a damp cloth (that doesn't leave lint) to clean the inside of your printer. Fabric tends to leave dust much like watercolor paper does. Shine a light into the printer and look for little threads that you can remove.

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You might also clean ink off the blade that cleans the print heads, especially if you notice that your printer's built-in cleaning utility doesn't quite work perfectly (if the test print isn't perfect after a cleaning cycle). Wear a rubber glove to avoid getting ink on your hands.