



Featherweight Table Cover

Create your own personal table cover for your Singer featherweight table. Design it as you desire and make it your own!

I used a vintage tablecloth, but please feel free to use any fabric of your choice.

Oilcloth is also very nice as it retains a slick surface.

The steps are basically cut and sew! Get as fancy as you wish. I am very visual, so I first layed the cloth on my featherweight table to determine how much I wanted to hang over the sides. I cut my cloth 37 1/2" square. That gave me 3 1/2" to hang down; just enough to cover the folding mechanisms, but not so much to interfere with my sewing.



1. Cut and hem

2. Miter the corners – I put the cloth back on the table, with the wrong side up. This allowed me to pin my corners quite easily. After pinning, take cloth to the sewing machine and stitch your line. If you have a serger, you could next finish off the seam. If not, be sure to cut close to your seam to prevent bulk. Place back on the table to ensure a nice snug fit. I have some optional finishes at the end if you prefer something other than mitered corners.

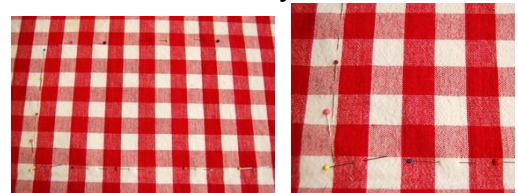


3. Tie it to the legs – To ensure your cover doesn't ride up on you as you are sewing, you will need something to secure it. I decided to use some small cording to create bows. I cut 8 pieces of 19" each, two per leg. Tie one end into a bow, and sew it on the cloth. When you are finished, you can pull the ties around the leg and tie into another bow to



secure.

4. Now comes the scary part. You now have a lovely table cloth over your table. Step back and enjoy how gorgeous it is! Find where the insert is. You can actually feel the entire indentation by pressing with your fingers. I pinned mine each step of the way. When I was finished pinning, I had the outline of the insert piece. You can actually measure from the sides. Stand at your table as if you were sewing. From the edge, measure 7" up and mark it. From that mark, measure 7 1/2" and mark. This is now the opening. The last measure will be from the right edge. Measure 2 1/5" from the edge and mark it. To double check your measures, measure from the right edge up to about 17 1/2". This should match one of your marks.



5. Before you cut! I took my cover to the sewing machine and stitched the entire outline. This did three things. First, it stabilized the material before I cut, and secondly, it gave me a nice basting stitch to check my opening before I cut. Thirdly, I had the perfect line to cut from.
6. Take the insert out of the table. Place your cloth back on the table. You can now check your stitching lines to ensure

they match up with the opening. Be sure to check the right edge. Will the cloth cover where your cord plugs in? Will it clear the belt and motor? As my grandfather always said (he was a carpenter), "Measure twice, cut once."

7. Once you are assured all is well, cut the opening piece out. It won't be perfect yet, don't worry about a little brown showing here and there. You will finish



it off nicely.

8. I bound the edge of my opening using my Singer binder and pre-folded bias binding. If you have a serger, you could also finish it that way. Use your imagination! Remember, this is your table and table cover.
9. If you are creating a bound edge, head back to your machine and finish the opening.
10. Place your table cover back on your table; place your delightful featherweight in place, and stand back to admire your gorgeous cover! Wonderful job! Take pictures to share! While you are at it, send me one and I will post to the web site. I would love to see it.



Optional Finishes

You're only limited by your imagination!

Instead of mitering the corners, add some lovely vintage lace or ribbon to tie around the legs.



Add a pocket to the side (or the front or wherever you need to stash sewing items). Measure the size pocket you wish and decide

where to place it. Then just cut & sew.



Now, you can sit and admire your fabulous one-of-a-kind featherweight table cover. Doesn't it look nice?



Happy Sewing!
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