

CORDED BUTTONHOLE



QUICK AND EASY USING YOUR
BUTTONHOLE FOOT

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Classy!

When sewing buttonholes on a jacket or coat the reinforced buttonhole gives more stability and the cord helps it lay nicely. When you have a lacy top and want to contrast the lace with something more solid, the corded buttonhole is a nice option. Another time I use is to prevent stretching on flimsy fabrics.

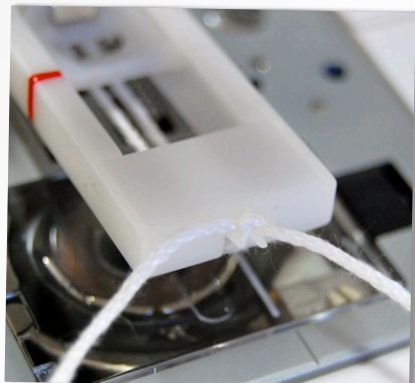
I always go over my buttonholes twice, and with the cording, this gives more depth and texture to the buttonhole. For the cording, you can use filler cord, embroidery floss, crochet thread, pearl rayon or cotton. You can use single or double strands. Set your sewing machine buttonhole stitch to ensure it encases the cording.

Most buttonholes have a spur at the back of the buttonhole foot. Hook your cording over the back, bring to the front (under your foot).

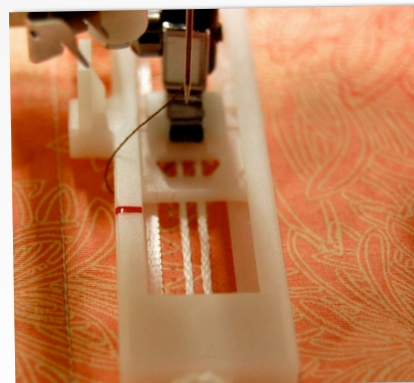
In the front are usually two small slots. Pull the cord up through the slots and tie off. Lower your foot, making sure the cording is not twisted



SPUR IN THE BACK



TIE OFF IN FRONT



MAKE SURE NOT TWISTED

As you begin sewing your buttonhole, you will notice the stitching covering the cording. When the buttonhole is complete - don't raise the foot or move it. Stitch a second time around. This is certainly optional.

When completed, release the cord from the foot. Either snip off the extra length, or draw the cords to the other side with a hand sewing needle.

You will have a corded buttonhole in no time at all!

Happy Sewing!

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