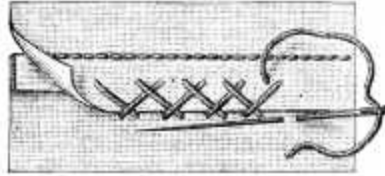


Herring-Boning

Eight arms, one stitch: herring-boning holds a seam down without turning a single edge.



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"Above the edge, then below: watch the threads cross."

1

Work Left to Right

Start at the left end of your seam and work steadily toward the right. Herring-boning always moves in this direction.

2

Stitch Above the Edge

Insert your needle from right to left and take a small stitch just above the seam edge.

3

Stitch Below the Edge

Insert your needle from right to left again and take a stitch just below the seam edge.

4

Let Threads Cross

Keep alternating above and below so the threads cross each other diagonally, building two neat rows of stitches down the seam.

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