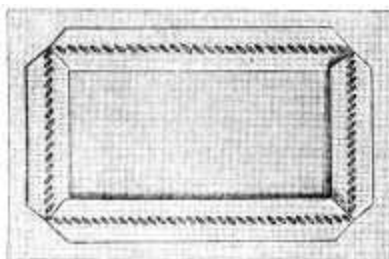


Top-Sewing in a Patch

One patch, two edges, no fraying left to chance.



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“Turn in, sew together, or herringbone through one layer.”

1

Turn In the Edges

Turn in the edges of the hole and of the patch.

2

Overcast or Hem

Overcast or hem those turned-in edges, to prevent them fraying.

3

Sew Edges Together

Sew the two edges together.

4

Herringbone Alternative

Instead, you may turn in the raw edges with herring-boning, putting the needle only through one layer of stuff.