

# *Vintage Inspired Dinner Roll Holder*

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## Materials needed:

2 pieces of prewashed cotton fabric measuring 36" x 12", coordinating thread, rotary cutter & self healing mat , scissors, small snaps or ribbon, sewing machine, hand sewing needle

Notes: always measure 3 times and cut once, do a small stitch forward and back at the beginning of each line sewn, clip your threads as you go, and google any sewing phrases you don't understand!

This is a free tutorial that I have made quickly for my blog [www.gingercake.typepad.com](http://www.gingercake.typepad.com). Patterns available in my shop, [www.gingercake.bigcartel.com](http://www.gingercake.bigcartel.com) are much more detailed if you are looking for a project that gives more in depth instruction.

Let's begin!

1. First, you need to cut out 6 circles of prewashed cotton fabric that are 12" diameter. I used a big embroidery hoop as my guide. With right faces together, sew 2 circles together with a 1/4" seam. I chose to do contrasting fabrics, but all the same would be cute too. Leave a 2" opening for turning it out. Using your scissors, clip your seam all around the circle about every inch or so. Trim the seams down to 1/8" inch. Turn the circle inside out. Making sure that you catch the edge of the seam all the way around the circle, press it out with your iron. Sometimes I use my fingers to kinda roll out the seam around the circle before I press and that seems to help. Pay special attention to the opening so that it matches nicely. Now, sew a 1/4" seam around the outside to finish it. Repeat with the other 4 circles. Here is what you should have~



It's just 6 circles of fabric sewn together! Sorry I didn't take pics of the above steps but I know you smarties can figure it out.

2. Take 2 (out of 3 finished) of your circles. If you have contrasting sides like me, they should be in order. For me it was both big floral sides up. Using chalk draw a line directly through the middle. Turn your circle 60 degrees and draw another line through the middle. Repeat one more time. Now you have a circle with 6 pie pieces drawn. Try to be fairly precise. Over at your sewing machine, sew along these lines through both pieces.



You can take a damp paper cloth and remove the chalk lines.

3. Next, take the 3rd circle and place it under the sewn together circles. You have to decide which print you want to be on the inside at this point. After I was done with my role holder I kinda wished that I had reversed the fabrics and had the light fabric on the outside. But I like it enough to just leave it for now instead of dealing with my seam ripper!



Pin the 3rd circle onto the other piece. Pin it along the seams or your pins will get in the way for the next step.

The sewn piece should be on top. You will need to find the center point between each pie piece. If you have a self healing mat like I do, you can line up your 60 degree wedges on the mat and it will show you the center as shown below~



Open the layers up and on the second layer mark the center. Draw a straight line (toward the center!) in about 2.25". I did this with blue chalk since the white didn't show up enough but it was hard to remove so I wouldn't recommend using your children's blue chalk on your fabric!



Sew down this line with your sewing machine.



Repeat step 5 more times in the center of each pie piece.



Now the bottom should look like the picture above!

4. Now you need to sew on your snaps. Another option here would be to sew on pieces of ribbon that would look cute too. I used snap fasteners size 2/0. They are placed like this-



My snaps were sewn on by hand with a needle and thread. Be sure to pay attention to the male/ female parts of the snap so that the parts match up.

5. Pull the layers up and snap it together. Now go set your table!



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