

HOW TO MAKE UP 1618/1

FROSTY LARGE STOCKINGS PANEL

NEW FOR 2016 JPEGS AVAILABLE IF REQUIRED



For each stocking you will need:

- One Makower UK printed stocking panel (1618/1 shown above)
- Two pieces of wadding 45 x 60cms (18" x 24") each
- Lining fabric 1.20cms / 1 1/3 yds
- One piece of backing fabric 60cms / 24"
- Piece of ribbon or fabric loop about 15 - 20cms (6" to 8") long

Instructions for a large Frosty 1613/1 Christmas Stocking **by Hilary Gooding**

- Roughly cut each stocking out leaving at least ½” of excess fabric around the stockings.
- Use these pieces to cut out the back piece and two lining pieces for each stocking. Be careful to cut the back piece as a mirror image of the front. The lining pieces should be one in each direction.
- Make a paper pattern piece of the actual size of the stocking (excluding the seam allowance).
- Use this to cut two pieces of wadding for each stocking.

FRONT OF STOCKING

1. Place the lining piece right sides together with the front of the stocking and stitch along the top edge of the stocking. Trim away excess fabric along top edge of stocking back to the seam allowance.
2. Tack, pin or spray baste a piece of wadding to the wrong side of the front of the stocking lining up the wadding within the sewing line.
3. Turn the lining to the back. Smooth out the layers and pin the layers in place around the edge of the stocking.
4. Set your machine stitch length to +/- 4 and, if possible, move your needle position 2 points to the RIGHT. Now when you sew the line of stitching will fall about 1/8” to the right of your seam line (and within your seam allowance). If you are not able to move the needle position, visually track the line of stitching to fall about 1/8” to the RIGHT of the sewing line.
5. Quilt your front sandwich by hand or machine.

BACK OF STOCKING

6. Place the lining piece right sides together with the back piece. Pin your paper pattern in place remembering to allow for the seam allowance and excess fabric you included when cutting them out.
7. Stitch along the top of the stocking back. Trim back to ½” seam allowance along the top only. Remove the paper pattern.
8. Tack, pin or spray baste the second piece of wadding to the wrong side of the back piece (use your paper pattern for guidance).
9. Turn the lining to the back.
10. Smooth out the layers. Place the paper lining back on the sandwich being very careful to line up the top edge and the wadding. Pin in place all around the stocking through all the layers.
11. Repeat step #4 above using the edge of the paper pattern as your seam line and stitching 1/8” to the RIGHT of it. Set your stitch length again to about 4. Remove the paper pattern.
12. Quilt your back sandwich by hand or machine.

ASSEMBLING THE STOCKING

13. Place the front and back sandwiches together with the front and back facing each other (lining on the outside).
14. Line up the top edges and pin.
15. Carefully work your way around the stocking lining up the two lines of stitching that you made on the front and back sandwiches (steps #4 and #10). Pin them lined up.
16. With your stitch length set to normal, sew the front and back sandwiches together this time stitching 1/8” to the LEFT of the previous stitching. Back stitch at the beginning and end of your stitching (top edge of stocking).
17. Trim away all the excess fabric back to the seam allowance. You may wish to oversew the seam allowance or maybe use pinking shears to tidy the seam allowance. Clip all the curves being careful not to cut through your last stitching (step #15).
18. At the top edge open the seam allowances, turn under the top corners and stitch them down by hand or machine (to be neat and out of sight).
19. Turn the stocking right side out. Check that you have not left any of the seam allowances showing when sewing the front and back together – adjust if necessary.
20. Create a loop from ribbon or matching fabric and stitch this in place on the inside of the top edge of the stocking at the heel end.