



Fitted Sheets From Flat Sheets

Materials:

- Flat sheet;
- Yard Stick or measuring tape;
- Scissors;
- Elastic (1/4"—1" wide);
- Pins
- Thread to match

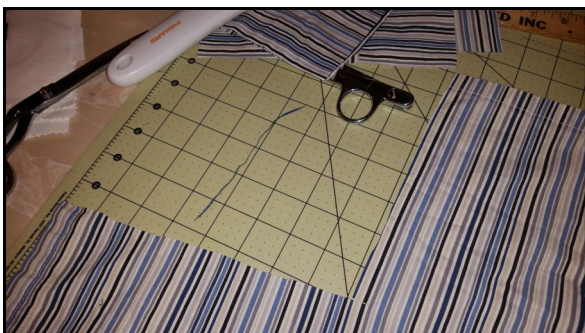


1. Do the math: Measure the top length and width of your mattress. Next, follow this formula to figure how much to take from each corner of your flat sheet:

$$\text{Sheet (L) - Mattress (L)} = \underline{\quad\quad} / 2 = \underline{\quad\quad}$$

$$\text{Sheet (W) - Mattress (W)} = \underline{\quad\quad} / 2 = \underline{\quad\quad}$$

* The corner amount will be the lesser of the two final numbers above (i.e., 10" x 10" corner to remove)



2. When all 4 corners are cut out, fold and pin each corner with right sides together and stitch a 1/4" seam. Stitch again. Serge, pink or zig zag edge to finish. Repeat this with the other 3 corners.

3. Cut pieces of elastic approximately 6" in length. Find the center of your cut piece, and pin it to the stitched corner. Stretch an end of the elastic outward either direction and sew the elastic to the edge of the sheet, giving a little tug (stretch) to the elastic as you sew to allow the elastic to gather the corner.

Clip all threads and smooth or iron out corners.
Your sheet is complete!

