



Tips for Making A Garter

When making a garter, for many the hardest part is how much elastic to use? This is especially tricky when you are making a gift of the garter and don't have the thigh or arm measurement.

- *To determine the amount of elastic, measure around the leg or arm and subtract 3".*
- *To determine the amount of casing, trim and ribbon, etc., add 7" to the measurement for the elastic. The width of the casing should be 3" .*
- *Your garter will look best if you place the elastic in a casing (make a tube of fabric), rather than sewing it directly to the fabric or ribbon.*
- *Use ½" wide non-roll elastic. Use a safety pin at one end of the elastic to run it through your casing.*
- *Suggested fabrics for garters are satin or charmeuse,*
- *Make 2 garters: one for a throw away (weddings) and one to keep!*