

Stitches

Running stitch

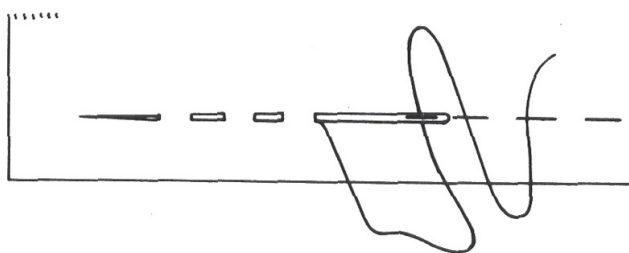
Thread your needle with about 30cm of cotton and knot the thread.

Do your first stitch and go over it three times to make the start of your sewing strong and secure (this is called a 'repeat' stitch).

Make running stitches by moving the needle in and out of the material in an 'up and down and then up again' movement.

Try to keep your stitches the same length with the same sized space in between.

When finished, go over your final stitch three times and tie a knot at the back of your work to keep it secure.



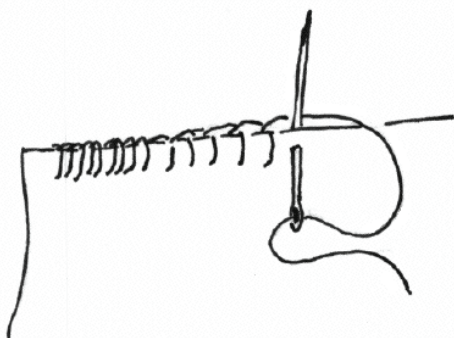
Blanket Stitch

Thread your needle with about 30cm of cotton and knot the thread.

Attach your thread to the back of your work with three small 'repeat' stitches.

Loop the thread over to the front your work.

Push the needle through to the back looping the thread behind the point of the needle.



Pull the needle through allowing the thread to loop the edge of your work.

Repeat to continue sewing blanket stitch.

Try to keep the length of the stitch the same.

Finish off with three repeat stitches and tie a knot at the back.

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