



# BEDTIME TOY GADDY

Keep your favourite nighttime accessories at your fingertips with these bright, bold bedside pockets that can be made in an afternoon. Customize the number and width of the pockets to suit your needs, or make a mini version to lay over the arm of your couch as a remote control holder.

**Skill Level: Intermediate**  
**Time Required: 2.5 hours**

## Materials

- Brother sewing machine (this project was made on the NQ900)
- Thread, white
- Denim, medium weight: 32" (81 cm) x 32" (81 cm)
- Cotton, light weight, yellow: 8 5/8" (22 cm) x 32" (81 cm)
- Cotton, light weight, yellow polka-dot: 16" (40 cm) x 12 2/8" (31 cm)
- Cotton, light weight, pink: 16" (40 cm) x 11 5/8" (29.5 cm)
- Cotton, light weight, white with pink hearts: 16" (40 cm) x 11 5/8" (29.5 cm)
- Cotton, light weight, blue with pink hearts: 16" (40 cm) x 16 2/8" (41 cm)
- Double-fold bias tape, white: 173" (439 cm)



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## Instructions

1. Sew the pocket pieces together along the 16" sides until you have one long row of fabrics.  
(see figure 1)
2. Press the seam allowances of the row of fabrics flat and open.  
(see figure 2)
3. Fold the row of fabrics in half down the long side, wrong sides together, matching the raw edges.  
(see figure 3)
4. On the long piece of yellow cotton, press down a 5/8" (1.5 cm) seam allowance to the wrong side along one of the long edges.  
(see figure 4)



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

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## Instructions (cont'd)

5. Lay the long yellow fabric on the denim, lining it up so the three raw yellow edges match up with the raw edges of one side of the denim.  
(see figure 5)
6. Sew a decorative stitch across the top pressed edge of the long yellow fabric through all thicknesses.  
(see figure 6)
7. Enclose the folded edge of the row of fabrics with the double-fold bias tape. Make sure the longer side of the tape will be sewn onto the bottom of the fabric. Open up the tape, then lay the row of fabrics over half of the tape, pushing the fabric into the fold of the tape before closing the bias tape.  
(see figure 7)
8. Edgestitch the double-fold bias tape in place, and cut off the excess.  
(see figure 8)



Figure 5



Figure 6



Figure 7

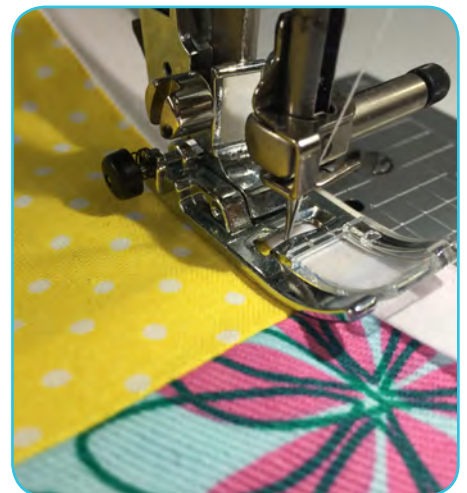


Figure 8

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## Instructions (cont'd)

- Put the row of fabrics on top of the long yellow cotton, covering it, and lining up the side and bottom raw edges. (see figure 9)
- To create the pleating across the bottom of the pockets, make 1" (2.5 cm) overlapping folds on both sides of each pocket fabric colour. On either end of the row of pockets, create this overlapping fold 2" (5 cm) from the edge of the fabric. (see figure 10-A & figure 10-B)
- Pin the pocket seams down to secure their placement on the denim. To do this, you'll need to open up the folds. (see figure 11)



Figure 9



Figure 10-A



Figure 10-B



Figure 11

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## Instructions (cont'd)

12. Stitch-in-the-ditch along each of the pocket seams, stopping when you reach the bias tape. (see figure 12)
13. Sew the remaining double-fold bias tape around the entire project. At each corner, fold and tuck the bias tape to create a mock mitred corner before continuing down the next side. (see figure 13)
14. Lay the denim portion of the bed caddy under your mattress, and fill the colourful pockets with your favourite goodies. (see figure 14)



Figure 12



Figure 13



Figure 14

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