



Oversized Ironing Board Pad and Cover

Board size: 22" x 60"

Supplies

2 ¼ yards (45 wide) silver heat resistant fabric

Cut into one 66" length AND two 7" strips (WOF)

25" x 65" piece of heavyweight 100% COTTON batting

1 7/8 yard 100% cotton fabric

2 packages bias tape to match fabric (extra wide, double fold, 3 yards per package)

4 yards ¼ inch elastic

100% cotton thread

First you'll make your pad using the silver fabric and batting.

1. Sew the two 7" strips together, end-to-end, right sides together using ½ inch seam allowance.
2. Press seam open.
3. Sew that long strip to each long side of the 66" length to make a tube, again using ½ inch seam allowance. Trim off excess.
4. Press seams open.
5. Turn tube so that the right side is facing out.
6. Insert batting into the tube so that the two long seams are centered in the middle of one side.
7. Sew each end of the tube closed, tucking silver fabric so that there are no raw edges showing.
8. Topstitch ¼ - ½ inches along each end, making sure to catch batting in the seam.
9. Topstitch ¼ - ½ inches along each long side of tube, making sure to catch batting in the seam.

Now you'll make your cover.

1. Trim selvedge edges off fabric.
2. Trim again along the length so that fabric measures 28" wide.
3. Round each corner by marking a curve using a 6-8" bowl and trimming with scissors.
4. Open two packages of bias tape and sew them together, end to end.
5. To make a casing for the drawstring: Starting at approximately the middle of one of the short ends of the cover fabric, attach bias tape by joining the right side of the bias tape to the right side of the cover and stitch all the way around on the first fold of the bias tape. Turn bias tape under at the beginning and the end of the bias tape to give the ends a finished look. Next turn the bias tape to the wrong side of the cover and stitch all the way around again to create a space for the drawstring to feed through.
6. Feed elastic through the casing leaving a 6-8 inch "tail" at the beginning and end of the opening. Position cover on ironing board (with cover on) and pull elastic to tighten it so that the cover is stretched nicely over the board, but also loose enough to take off and on to wash. Secure two ends of elastic together securely by machine or by hand. Hint: A *Purple Thang* works great for feeding the elastic drawstring through the casing.