

Pin Tucks

Tucks are narrow folds that are stitched into fabric. Tucks are used to provide fullness and/or a decorative effect in desired areas of a garment. Pin tucks are usually marked by a series of solid foldlines. Because pin tucks are so narrow, stitching lines do not usually appear on the pattern.

Using a fabric sample 8" by 10", you will make two sets of pin tucks. First mark your fabric. Draw or press in lines parallel to the 8" side at the following intervals: 2 inches, 2 1/2 inches, 3 inches, 3 1/2 inches, 6 1/2 inches, 7 inches, 7 1/2 inches, and 8 inches. You will make pin tucks using the following:

For the first four lines, fold the fabric along the marked line. Edgestitch along the fold. Repeat with each of the remaining three lines. Press in one direction. You will have 4 small, edgestitched pin tucks.

For the second set of four lines, fold the 6 1/2 inch line and stitch 1/4" (width of the presser foot) from the fold. Repeat with each of the remaining three lines. Press in one direction. You will have four 1/4" pin tucks.

Staple your sample to this instruction sheet.