



Étui

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Étui is French for a small decorative case used for needles, toiletry articles, or the like. Its first known use was between 1605-1615. Jump ahead to the 21st century and this precious Étui is as useful now as it was 400 years ago.

Finished size: 3½" x 11"

SUPPLIES:

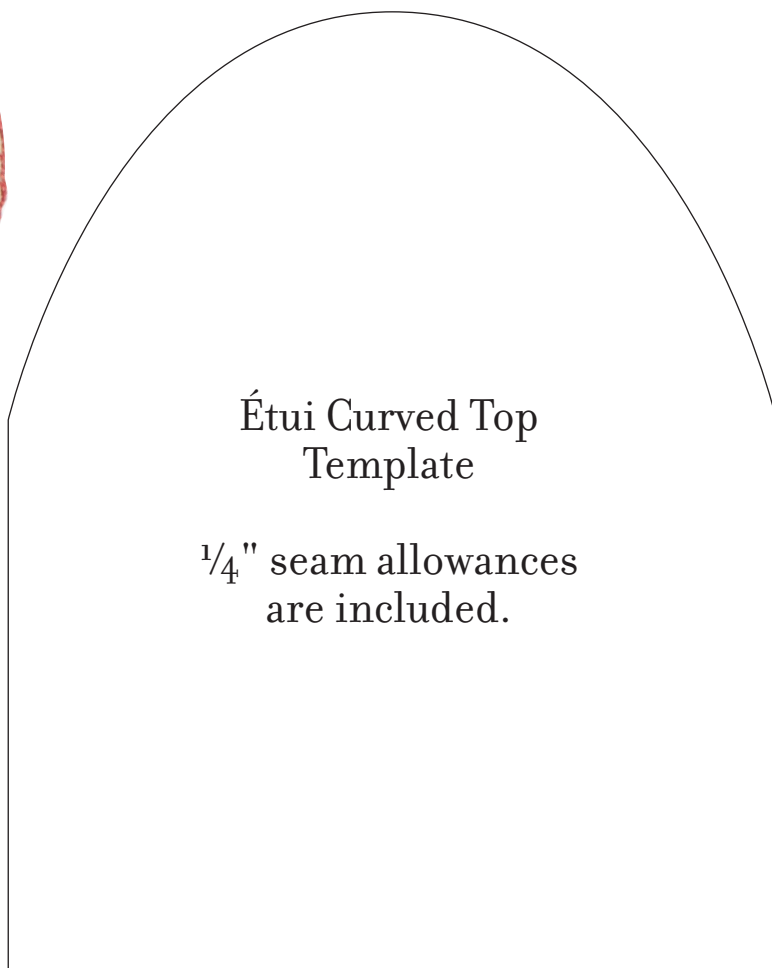
- One fat quarter
- #18 Chenille needle
- #3 Perle cotton for edging
- Small amount of polyester stuffing
- 1 button
- 1" square of Velcro®

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 2-4" x 15" strips for lining and front
- Use the Étui Curved Top Template to cut the curved flap edges on the lining and front strips.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Seam allowances are ¼" unless otherwise noted.

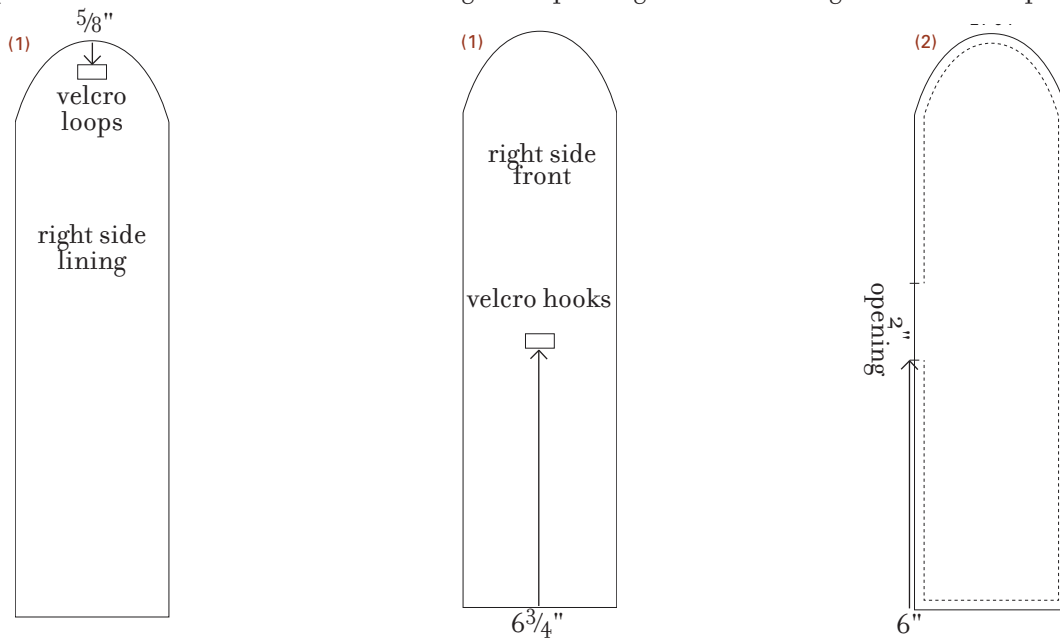


Étui Curved Top Template

¼" seam allowances
are included.

MAKING THE ÉTUI:

1. Sew Velcro® to the lining and front fabric strips as shown.
2. Sew the lining and front, right sides together as shown, leaving a 2" opening for turning and stuffing the pincushion section. Trim the curved edge with pinking shears. Turn right side out and press.



3. Double stitch the lines for the pincushion section as shown.
4. Stuff the pincushion section with a small amount of polyester stuffing. Turn the seam allowances to the inside at the opening and hand or machine stitch it closed.
5. Fold the bottom edge up 3" forming the inside pocket. The top of the pocket will be at the bottom of the pincushion section.
6. Join the front and back edges of the pocket with the Blanket Stitch (page 51) using #3 Perle cotton. Blanket Stitch the edges above the pincushion with the #3 Perle cotton.
7. Sew a button on the outside of the front flap, covering the stitching from the Velcro. Fold the pocket up onto the pincushion. Fold the flap with the Velcro loops over the pocket and pincushion and close with the Velcro hooks on the front.

