

Shoe/boot cover pattern and instructions



Materials:

For making each pair of shoe covers you will need:

- 100% cotton fabric, washed and dried so it is pre-shrunk.
 - For Size Small, 2 pieces - 14 inches by 12 inches
 - For Medium, 2 pieces - 14 inches by 14 inches
 - For Large, 2 pieces - 14 inches by 16 inches
 - For Extra Large, 2 pieces - 16 inches by 18 inches
- Two pieces of elastic, 1/4 inch wide.
 - For Size Small, 11 inches long
 - For Medium, 13 inches long
 - For Large, 15 inches long
 - For Extra Large, 17 inches long

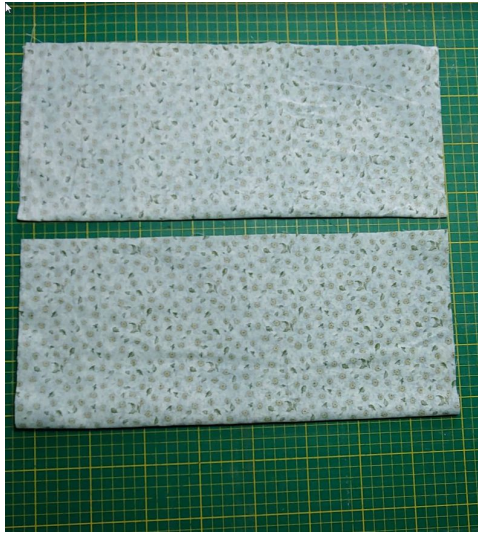
(The elastic needs to be able to stretch easily over the shoe but then tighten enough to keep the shoe cover from slipping off. If you use a wider elastic, be sure to widen the casing size as well. If you are unsure about the amount of stretch in your elastic, use a longer piece and shorten it later after trying on the cover.)

- Thread.



Instructions: *(I made the large size, shown above on Mens' size 10 shoes)*

1. Iron fabric and fold each piece in half right sides together along the 14(14,14,16) inch edge, so you have two pieces that when folded measure 7(7,7,8) inches by whatever length you chose for size, (12, 14, 16 or 18 inches).



(You can sew these seams straight, leaving a pointy end at the front and back of the bootie. If you'd like more rounded ends, curve the side seams at the fold. I drew marks 1.00 inch in from each side at the corners and estimated a curved cutting line, see options in pictures.)



- Whether curved or straight, sew along each side using a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam allowance, backstitching at each end for strength. Overcast these seam edges using a short zig zag stitch or a serger.



- To make the elastic casing, fold under 1.0 inch of fabric along the open edge, and press. Then fold in the raw edge again to the fold line and press, creating a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch wide casing. Note: If you are using elastic wider than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, you'll have to make this casing wider to accommodate.





4. Stitch close to the hem edge leaving a small opening for inserting the elastic.



5. Attach a safety pin or elastic threader to one end of the elastic and insert into the casing through the opening. Pin the second end of the elastic to the fabric near the opening so that in threading the elastic, you don't lose the end inside the casing. Thread the elastic from the opening, through the casing, back to the opening. Overlap the elastic ends and stitch securely. Try the cover to ensure it will provide a good fit. Adjust the elastic if necessary.



6. Trim the elastic if needed and insert entirely within the opening. Stitch the opening closed being sure not to catch the elastic in the stitching.



- Using a permanent marker, indicate the size of the covers on the back seam.



- Repeat the steps above for the second cover.
- Finished!!

