

# Making Bosom Buddy With Plush Fabrics

Plush fabrics such as Cuddle® and Minky make wonderfully soft and comfy seat belt cushions.

However, due to the properties of plush fabrics, we recommend changing/substituting the steps below for the corresponding steps in the original Bosom Buddy pattern.

## I. CUT

For the models shown, we used just one plush fabric rather than a main fabric and a coordinating fabric. A half yard piece of 58"/60" Cuddle will make a cushion with leftovers for another small project. We cut as directed in the pattern with these changes:

### Bias Binding

Instead of cutting an 11" x 11" square, cut one 1¼" x about 41"-44" strip (if attaching binding to cushion with a ¼" seam) or one 1¾" x 41"-44" strip (if attaching to the cushion with a ½" seam).

Be sure to cut the strip on the CROSSWISE grain of the fabric. There is no stretch on the lengthwise grain and a bias cut is not necessary.

### Belt Wrap B

Because this knit fabric doesn't fray, we cut Belt Wrap B 10" x 4½" instead of 10" x 5".

### Fusible Interfacing

To reduce bulk, we skipped the interfacing. If you prefer a more stable Belt Wrap, you may choose to include it.

After cutting all the plush pieces, we threw them in the dryer with a damp washcloth on low heat to remove all the "Cuddle dust".

## II. PREPARE CUSHION PIECES

### B. Prepare Cushion Front

2. Depending on the type of plush fabric and its pile, you may find it difficult to mark lines on the plush fabric. If so, use painter's tape to mark guidelines to follow for placement of the Belt Wrap.

## III. PREPARE BELT WRAP

### A. Prepare Belt Wrap A

1. Skip this step if desired. We didn't feel it was necessary to have a fusible interfacing attached.
2. If you have difficulty marking on the plush fabric, use painter's tape or a ruler to "mark" the lines.
3. Attach the Belt Wrap Fastener as directed.

### B. Prepare Belt Wrap B

1. Skip the interfacing if desired.
2. The piece was cut 4½" wide (rather than 5" wide), so just skip turning the raw edge under. This awesome knit fabric doesn't fray, so there is no need to turn under the edge.

### C. Prepare Belt Wrap C

1. Skip the interfacing if desired.
2. Proceed as directed.
3. Again, use painter's tape or rulers to mark placement lines.
4. Proceed as directed.

## IV. ASSEMBLE CUSHION

### C. Prepare Bias Binding

1. Skip these steps. You will use the 1¼" x 41"-44" or 1¾" x 41"-44" strip that you cut earlier.

### D. Finish Edges.

1. Use the binding strip you cut earlier to bind the edges.
  - a. Do NOT fold the binding in half. DO leave a 4" to 6" tail and start stitching on the Cushion Back about 1" above the lower right corner. Position the binding on the Cushion Back with right sides together and align the binding along the edge of the cushion.

If you cut 1¼" wide binding, attach the binding with an accurate 1/4" seam.

If you cut 1¾" wide binding, attach the binding with an accurate ½" seam.

Join the ends with a diagonal seam.
  - b. Fold the binding over to the Cushion Front and stitch in place along the raw edge using a zig-zag or serpentine stitch. Use the tip of a stiletto to fluff up the fibers along the edge.

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[ByAnnie Facebook Live Week #42: Sewing With Cuddle with Teresa Coates/Shannon Fabrics](#)

[Ten Tips for Working with Cuddle Minky](#)

[Basic Binding Techniques for Cuddle Minky Fabric](#)