

BOOK COVERS

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STEP 1: Print two same sized cassettes from the "Cassette Tapes" pattern.

After printing, cut off the sides (section C) and bottoms (section D). Discard those pieces, you won't need them.

Next, print off the "Cassette Tape Paper Pieced Bottoms" sheet from the PDF. This will become the spine of your book cover.

Cut out one of the coordinating sized bottoms. Save the rest for other projects.



STEP 2: Select fabric from scraps or fat quarters (18" x 21"/ 47cm x 53cm).

For the cassette tape I used:

FRONT - dark blue

MUSTACHE (piece B2) - light blue

CENTER OF THE CASSETTE (piece A1) - light teal

TAPE - brown

CASSETTE LABELS - assorted prints (I LOVE to use selvages)

Paper piece both cassette tape fronts and one bottom.



STEP 3 : Sew cassette tops to the bottom of the cassette tape.

Note: both mustaches should touch the cassette tape paper pieced bottom.

Select inside fabric from scraps or fat quarters.

For the inside I used:

BACKING - text fabric

FLAPS - purse fabric

PEN HOLDER - button fabric



STEP 4 : Cut one backing fabric and one batting (fusible if you like) the same size as your sewn together cassette tape book cover.

Cut two inside flaps the same height as the cover and as wide as the pieced section A of your cassette tape. Press in half.

Cut one pen holder the same width as the inside flaps, but half the height.



STEP 5 : Fuse or baste batting to the wrong side of the cassette tape cover.

Topstitch right flap along it's folded side. (If using a directional print, press under and topstitch the left side of the flap).

Fold over and press the top edge of the pen holder. Topstitch along the fold.



STEP 6 : Layer the pen holder on the right side of the remaining inside flap, aligning the bottom edges.

Baste the pen holder down to the flap (left and bottom). Fold under right edge of flap and press. Next topstitch.

Place a pen in the pen holder, mark desired width (plus 1/4" seam) and top stitch creating a pocket for your pen.

Lay both flaps right side up over the right side of the inside cover. Baste flaps to the inside cover, aligning outer edges.



STEP 7 : Place your inside cover and cassette tape cover right sides together, being sure the pen holder flap is aligned with the cassette you want to be the front of your notebook. Sew around the edges with a 1/4" seam, leaving an opening at the bottom for turning.

Trim corners.

Turn right side out.



STEP 8 : From the inside, poke out corners.

Press.

Hand stitch the bottom opening closed.



STEP 9 : The note books needed for the exact size of the small, medium and large book covers may not be common. However, I've had great luck at dollar stores. When needed I've even made them, "Hello YouTube!". Or you can get creative and use them for other things - the small size is perfect for business cards!

We've discovered if you enlarge the medium pattern by 15% your printer it makes a perfect cover for a 5" x 7" notebook. If you increase the small pattern by 39 % on your printer it perfectly covers a small moleskin! Enjoy and keep #sewinglikeamothertrucker!

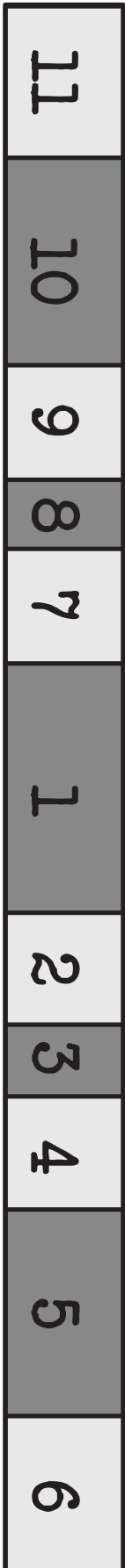
Cassette Tape Paper Piece Bottoms

These cassette tape bottoms are compatible with the "Hardcore Mixed Cassette Tape Pattern".

Use them to make book cover spines, zippy pouch ends or in any other designy way you can think of!

Enjoy and please note, this pattern DOES NOT include a 1/4" seam allowance.

LARGE cassette bottom



MEDIUM cassette bottom



SMALL cassette bottom



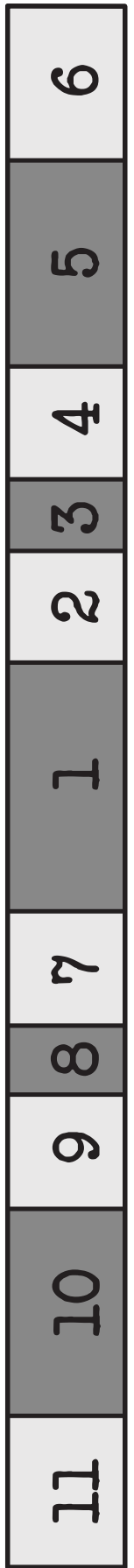
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