

Buttoned-Up Beverage Koozie



Beat the heat with an embroidered drink koozie!

These fun and fashionable koozies keep your cans and bottles cool -- perfect for any backyard barbecue or bonfire. Keep a stash in your kitchen, or give them as gifts to your friends!

Scroll down to learn how to make the buttoned-up beverage koozie!



Supplies Needed:

**8" by 8" piece of sturdy cotton fabric like denim, lightweight canvas, or twill (for front -- I used lightweight canvas)

**Small pieces of print cotton fabric (for sides and back -- I used twill)

**12" wide by 6" high piece of cotton batting (for lining)

Supplies Continued:

**Medium weight cutaway stabilizer

**Temporary spray adhesive

**Air-erase pen or dressmaker's pencil (for marking and placement)

**8" length of 1/4" wide elastic (for button loops)

**2 large buttons (mine are 7/8")

**needle and thread

Design Used:

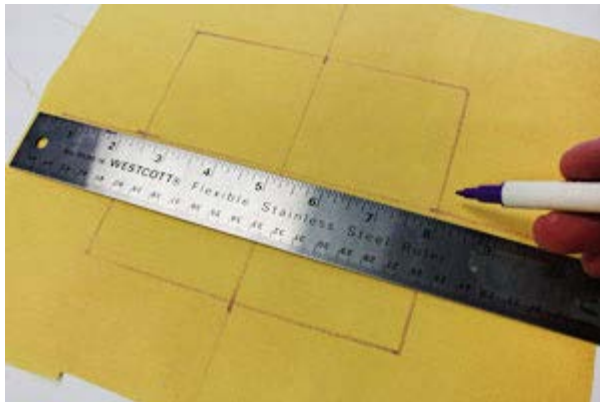
For my koozie, I used the [small size](#) of the [Enjoy Every Sunset](#) design. Find the perfect design for your koozie by visiting the [Summer Lovin'](#) department.

Special Project Notes:

This koozie works great on both cans and bottles!

Finished Size (when folded):

9 3/4" wide x 4 1/4" high (when laying flat)



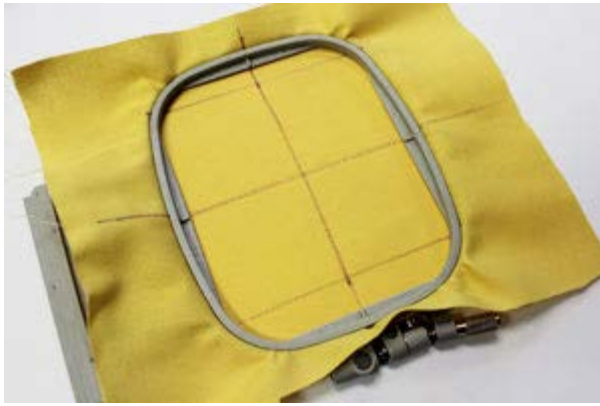
To get started, prepare the fabric for the front of the koozie. With an air-erase pen, draw a 5 1/2" wide by 5" high rectangle on the fabric. Measure and mark the center of each side by measuring and dividing by two. Draw lines connecting the marks.



Create a paper template of the design using embroidery software. If you haven't used software to make templates before, these [handy instructions](#) will show you how.

Poke a hole in the center of the template and align it with the center point on the fabric. Make sure the design fits well within the shape -- there should be at least 1/2" of space in between the outer edges of the design and the edges of the shape.

Remove the template and spray a piece of medium weight cutaway stabilizer with temporary adhesive. Smooth the fabric on top and hoop the fabric and stabilizer together by



aligning the marks on the hoop with the lines on the fabric.



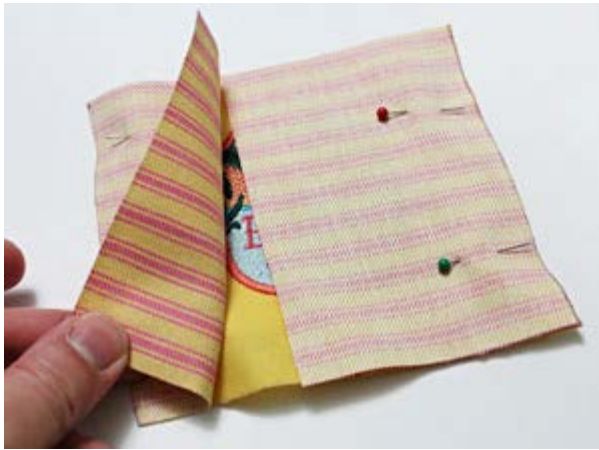
Attach the hoop to the machine and move the hoop so that the needle is aligned with the center point on the fabric. Embroider the design.



When the design has finished, trim away the excess stabilizer on the backside of the embroidery and cut out the shape.

To prepare the fabric for the front side of the koozie, cut one piece of the print fabric to 3 1/2" wide by 5" high (for the right side) and one piece to 3" wide by 5" high (for the left side).

Lay the embroidered piece flat with the right side facing up. Align the right and left side



pieces on top with the right sides together. The outer side edges of the side pieces will be aligned with the side edges of the front piece.

Pin in place and sew a 1/4" seam along each side edge only. Press the back seams open with an iron and top stitch a 1/8" seam along each side of the seams of the assembled front piece.



To create the elastic button loops, cut two 4" lengths of 1/4" wide elastic. Form the elastic into loops and stitch the ends in place with a few stitches.



To prepare the inner lining and back fabric, lay the assembled front piece on top of the print fabric and the cotton batting, pin in place, and cut around the shape of the front piece. Layer the pieces together: cotton batting first, align the back piece on top with the right side facing up, then the front piece on top of the back piece right side down.



Tuck the elastic loops in between the front and back layers along the right edge of the fabric. With the raw ends facing out, the ends of the loops should extend out about 1/4". Pin in place and sew a 1/4" seam along the top, bottom, and right edge of the fabric only -- leave the left edge open for turning.



Turn the koozie right side out and press the seams. Also, turn the fabric of the opening in 1/2", press, and pin in place. Top stitch a 1/8" seam around the outer edges of the koozie.



With needle and thread, sew the buttons in place along the inner seam on the right side of the koozie (with the koozie facing right side up). Place one button about 3/4" down from the top edge of the fabric and place the other button about 3/4" up from the bottom edge of the fabric.



Wrap the koozie around your beverage and fasten the buttons through the elastic hoops to secure.



Enjoy your new drink koozie all summer long! Not only is it a fabulous way to keep bottled drinks cool in the heat, but it works on cans, too.

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