



## TEXTILES MIX - Hand Sewing Project Instructions

*(Instructions adapted from Better Homes & Gardens' HowtoSew.com)*

<http://howtosew.com/blog/first-projects/handsewn-beady-eyeglass-case>

### Hand Sewn Case - for glasses or phone/tablet

1. Cut two pieces of coordinating felt:  
8x10 inches for basic glasses case. For phone or tablet: 6.5x8 inches for most smart phones (iPhone 6, other similarly sized smartphones); 10x16 inches for iPads; 8x12 inches for Kindle Fire. If you need to size it for another device: measure device (or Google its dimensions), then add one inch to the height and width. Felt measurements should be the resulting height by two times the resulting width.
2. Lay the two pieces one on top of each other with edges perfectly lined up, pin together, and cut the top right corner off at a curve (see image below). Remove the pins, and set aside the piece you intend to use as the interior lining.



3. Decorate the exterior:
  - a. Cut out a piece (or more) of felt in a matching or coordinating color to applique to the front of the case.
  - b. Choose buttons and beads to sew on for added dimension and fun!
  - c. Using a whip stitch, sew the applique piece(s) to the front.

- d. Sew buttons and beads on as desired.
4. Lay the exterior piece on top of the interior piece, matching all edges and ensuring that curved edge (if you have used that design) looks okay. Pin together again, as shown above.
5. Fold case in half with long sides together; pin open sides together. Use a simple [blanket stitch](#) to sew the bottom and side (four pieces of felt) completely shut.



6. Once you get to the curved corner, follow the curve with your blanket stitch, so you are only sewing the top two pieces of felt together. Once you reach the folded edge, return with your blanket stitch sewing the bottom two pieces of felt together. Knot your thread and you are done!

