



Bell Breakaway Collar



A breakaway collar with a small bell attachment.

OVERVIEW



1. Skill Level:
Beginner to Intermediate



2. Pages:
10



3. Finished Width:
3/8 in



4. Use:
ID tag or small bell only



5. Safety:
Do not use for leash walking

PRODUCT DETAILS

breakaway
buckle

adjustable
slider

D-ring



3/8 in
width

light bell



SMALL



MEDIUM



LARGE



This guide uses 3 seller-friendly cat sizes.





Sizes & Cutting Lengths



Use these 3 seller-friendly cat sizes for a bell breakaway collar.

Size	Neck Range	Fabric Strip (W x L)	Interfacing Strip (W x L)	Finished Width
SMALL	7-8 1/2 in	1 1/2 x 13 in	1 1/2 x 13 in	3/8 in
MEDIUM	8 1/2-10 in	1 1/2 x 15 in	1 1/2 x 15 in	3/8 in
LARGE	10-11 1/2 in	1 1/2 x 17 in	1 1/2 x 17 in	3/8 in

PRODUCT MEASUREMENTS



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Use only lightweight cat hardware sized for 3/8 in collars.





Tools & Materials



Gather everything before you begin.

- 1** lightweight cotton fabric



- 2** light fusible interfacing



- 3** matching thread



- 4** 3/8 in breakaway buckle set



- 5** 3/8 in tri-glide slider



- 6** 3/8 in D-ring



- 7** small bell + split ring



- 8** ruler or tape measure



- 9** fabric marker or chalk



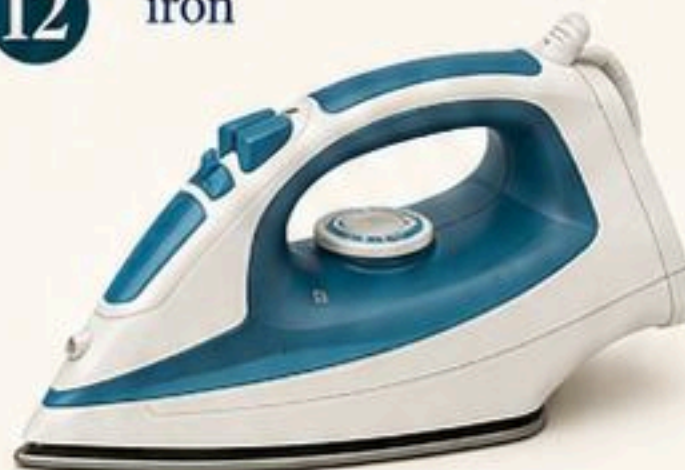
- 10** fabric scissors or rotary cutter



- 11** pins or clips



- 12** iron



- 13** sewing machine



NOTES

- Use lightweight, non-bulky fabric.
- Choose hardware made for cats or lightweight collars.
- Never use a breakaway collar for leash walking.



FINISHED COLLAR PREVIEW

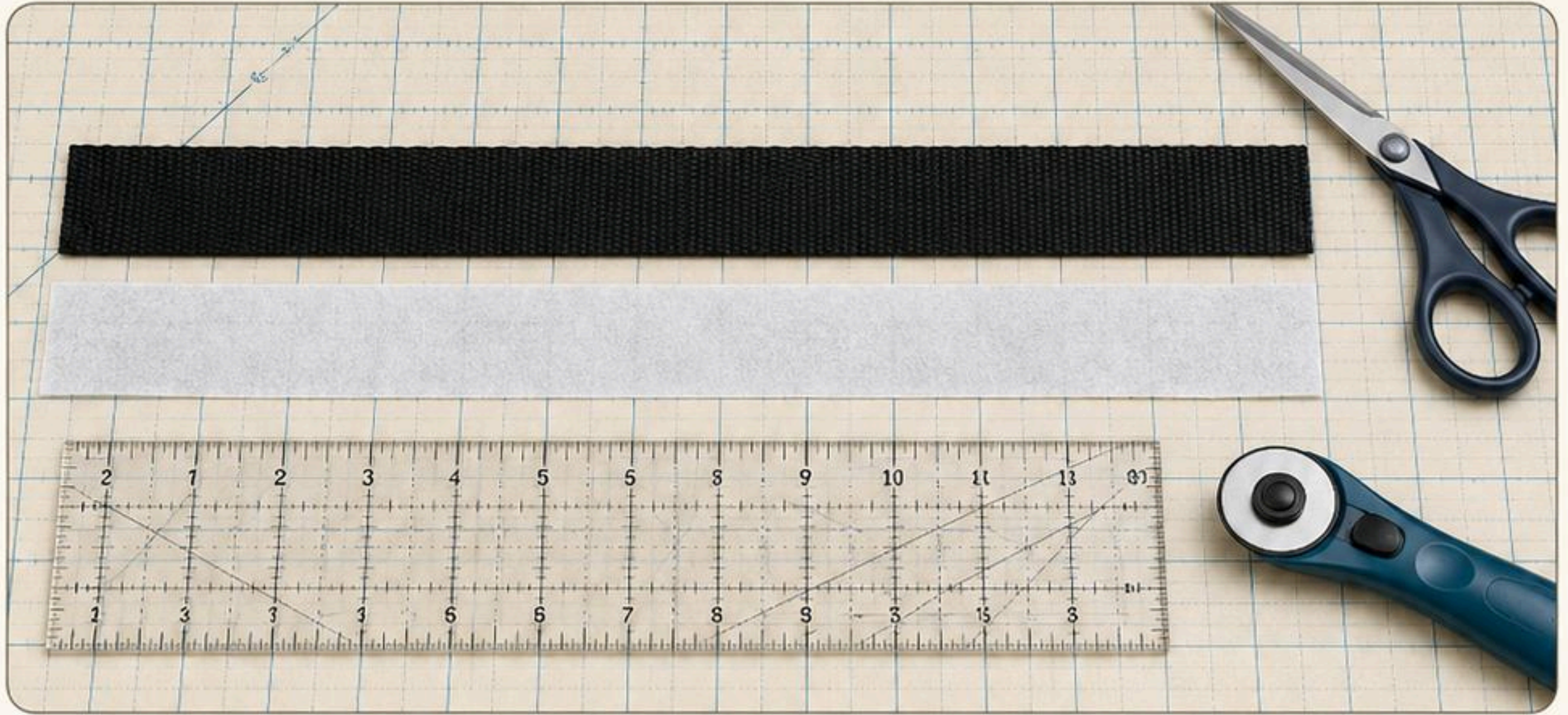




Cut the Pieces



Cut 1 fabric strip and 1 interfacing strip for each collar.



CUTTING CHART

Size	Fabric Strip	Interfacing Strip
Small	1 1/2 x 13 in	1 1/2 x 13 in
Medium	1 1/2 x 15 in	1 1/2 x 15 in
Large	1 1/2 x 17 in	1 1/2 x 17 in

STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Choose the size you want to make.
- 2 Measure and mark the fabric strip.
- 3 Measure and mark the interfacing strip.
- 4 Cut 1 fabric strip and 1 interfacing strip.
- 5 Keep the strips straight and even.
- 6 Label the cut pieces by size.

FINISHED COLLAR PREVIEW



TIP

Keep the pieces straight and even for a smoother finished collar.





Fuse and Press the Strap

Stabilize the strip, then fold it into a clean collar band.

STEPS

- 1 Fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of the fabric strip.
- 2 Place the strip right side down.
- 3 Fold one long edge toward the center and press.
- 4 Fold the second long edge toward the center and press.
- 5 Fold the strip in half lengthwise and press again.
- 6 Keep the band even from end to end.

1



2



3



4



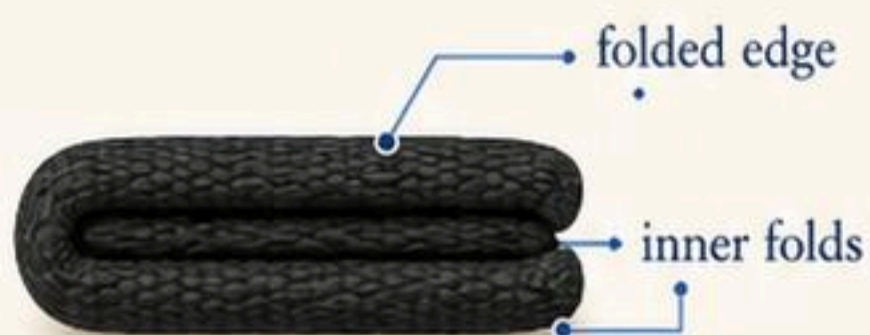
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FOLD DETAIL



(Side View)

TIP



Good pressing makes the collar easier to sew neatly.



FINISHED PREVIEW





Topstitch the Collar Strap



Secure the folded strap before adding the hardware.

STEPS

- 1 Fold each short end in 1/4 in for a clean finish.
- 2 Clip the strap closed.
- 3 Topstitch close to one long edge.
- 4 Topstitch close to the second long edge.
- 5 Stitch across both short ends.
- 6 Backstitch at the start and finish.
- 7 Trim loose threads.



EDGE STITCHING



FINISHED STRAP



Keep the stitching straight so the narrow cat collar looks polished.





Attach the Fixed End



Add the female buckle and D-ring to one end of the collar.



STEPS



- 1 Slide 1 end of the strap through the D-ring.
- 2 Pass the same end through the female buckle slot.
- 3 Fold the end back about 1 1/4 in.
- 4 Keep the D-ring between the buckle and the folded end.
- 5 Stitch a secure box or 2 strong straight lines to hold it.
- 6 This becomes the fixed end of the collar.



THREADING DIAGRAM



- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

FEMALE BUCKLE



D-RING POSITION



SECURED STITCHING



Make sure the buckle is facing the correct direction before stitching.





Thread the Adjustable End

Add the slider and male buckle to complete the adjustable collar.

STEPS

- 1 Slide the free end through the tri-glide slider.
- 2 Pass the same end through the male buckle slot.
- 3 Bring the end back through the tri-glide.
- 4 Leave about a 2 in adjustment tail.
- 5 Check that the buckle halves face each other correctly.
- 6 Snap the buckle closed to test the shape.



SLIDER PATH

MALE BUCKLE

FINISHED ADJUSTABLE END



The collar should adjust smoothly without twisting.





Add the Bell + Fit & Safety Check

Attach the bell, adjust the collar, and confirm a safe fit.

STEPS

- 1 Open the split ring and slide on the bell.
- 2 Slide the same split ring through the D-ring.
- 3 Let the bell hang freely under the D-ring.
- 4 Close the buckle.
- 5 Adjust the collar so 1-2 fingers fit between collar and neck.
- 6 Test the breakaway buckle with a firm straight pull.
- 7 Use only a small lightweight bell.
- 8 Do not use this collar for leash walking.

FRONT



SIDE



BACK



BREAKAWAY BUCKLE TEST

Closed



Open (Pulled)



SIZE REMINDER

	Small	7-8 1/2 in
	Medium	8 1/2-10 in
	Large	10-11 1/2 in

SAFETY NOTE

A breakaway collar should release when pulled sharply.





Finished Collars & Quick Recap

Your bell breakaway cat collars are ready to label, package, and sell.

QUICK RECAP



1. Cut the fabric and interfacing.



2. Fuse and fold the strap.



3. Topstitch the collar band.



4. Attach the female buckle and D-ring.



5. Thread the slider and male buckle.



6. Add the bell and safety-check the fit.

PRODUCT DETAILS

breakaway buckle

adjustable slider

D-ring

3/8 in width

light bell

SMALL



MEDIUM



LARGE



For cats only. Use for everyday wear, tags, or a light bell - not for leash walking.

