

Soft Cotton Cat Collar

A simple and gentle everyday cat collar.

OVERVIEW



SKILL LEVEL:
Beginner



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FINISHED WIDTH:
1/2 in



USE:
Everyday cat collar



SAFETY:
Breakaway-style,
not for leash walking.

YOUR FINISHED COLLAR

STRAIGHT VIEW



Breakaway
buckle

Soft cotton strap

Adjustable
slider

D-ring

CURVED VIEW



MADE TO FIT—THREE CAT SIZES

SMALL



MEDIUM



LARGE



This guide uses 3 seller-friendly cat sizes.



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SIZES & CUTTING LENGTHS

Choose the size that best fits your cat's neck measurement.

SIZE	NECK RANGE	FABRIC STRIP (COTTON)	INTERFACING STRIP (FUSIBLE)	FINISHED WIDTH
 SMALL	7–8 1/2 in	2 x 13 in	2 x 13 in	1/2 in
 MEDIUM	8 1/2–10 in	2 x 15 in	2 x 15 in	1/2 in
 LARGE	10–11 1/2 in	2 x 17 in	2 x 17 in	1/2 in

FINISHED COLLAR MEASUREMENT (STRAIGHT VIEW)



SEE HOW IT FITS

 SMALL



 MEDIUM



 LARGE



All hardware should be 1/2 in cat-collar hardware.



Soft Cotton Cat Collar

Tools & Materials

Gather these supplies before you begin.



LIGHTWEIGHT
COTTON FABRIC



LIGHT FUSIBLE
INTERFACING



MATCHING
THREAD



1/2 IN
BREAKAWAY
BUCKLE SET



1/2 IN
TRI-GLIDE
SLIDER



1/2 IN
D-RING



RULER OR
TAPE MEASURE



FABRIC MARKER
OR CHALK



FABRIC SCISSORS
OR ROTARY CUTTER



PINS OR
CLIPS



IRON



SEWING
MACHINE

NOTES

- Use soft, lightweight fabric for comfort.
- Use lightweight cat hardware for safety and comfort.
- This collar is for everyday wear and is **not** for leash walking.

FINISHED COLLAR PREVIEW



Soft cotton strap • 1/2 in finished width

Cut the Pieces

Cut 1 fabric strip and 1 interfacing strip in your size.



Use a rotary cutter, ruler, and cutting mat for clean, straight edges.

CUTTING CHART

SIZE	FABRIC STRIP	INTERFACING STRIP
 SMALL	2 x 13 in	2 x 13 in
 MEDIUM	2 x 15 in	2 x 15 in
 LARGE	2 x 17 in	2 x 17 in

7 EASY STEPS

- 1 Choose your size. 
- 2 Measure fabric strip. 
- 3 Measure interfacing strip. 
- 4 Mark straight lines. 
- 5 Cut neatly. 
- 6 Keep edges even. 
- 7 Label pieces by size. 

FINISHED COLLAR PREVIEW



You're one step closer!



 *Cut carefully and accurately for the best fit and comfort.* 

Fuse and Press the Strap

Build a neat, strong strap for your cat collar.

- 1** Fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of the fabric strip.



- 2** Place the strip wrong side up.



- 3** Fold one long edge to the center and press.



- 4** Fold the second long edge to the center and press.



- 5** Fold the strip in half lengthwise and press again.



- 6** Finished pressed strap— even from end to end.



CLOSE-UP FOLD DETAIL



♥ TIP

Good pressing makes the collar easier to sew neatly.

YOUR FINISHED COLLAR PREVIEW





Topstitch the Strap



Step-by-step to a strong and beautiful finish.

TOPSTITCH THE STRAP



EVEN TOPSTITCHING = POLISHED RESULTS



FINISHED STRAP PREVIEW



FINISHED COLLAR PREVIEW



- 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** Backstitch at the start and finish.



- 6** Trim loose threads.



TIP:

Even topstitching helps the collar look neat, strong, and professional.

Attach the Fixed End

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



STEP-BY-STEP

- 1 Slide one 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 folded end.
- 5 Stitch a secure box or two strong straight lines to hold it.
- 6 This becomes the fixed end.



CLOSE-UP DETAILS

FEMALE BUCKLE



Use the female buckle as shown.

D-RING POSITION



D-ring sits between the buckle and the folded end.

SECURED STITCHING



Stitch a box or two strong straight lines.

Thread the Adjustable End

Learn how to add the tri-glide slider and male buckle.

- 1** Slide the free end through the tri-glide slider.



- 2** Pass the same end through the male buckle slot.



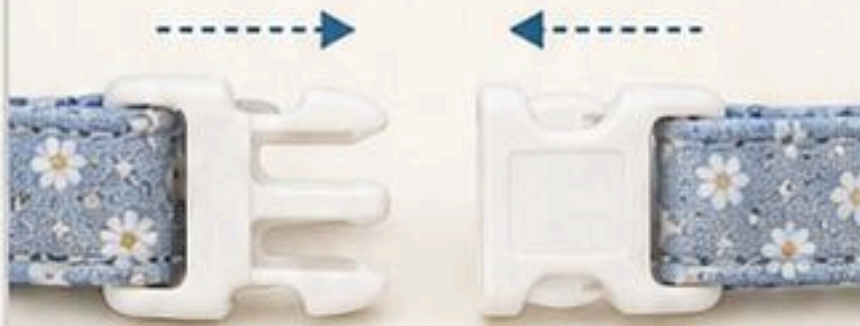
- 3** Bring the end back through the tri-glide from the other side.



- 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



Your collar should adjust smoothly without twisting.



Adjust the Fit

A few simple steps to keep your cat comfortable and safe.

STEP-BY-STEP FITTING

-  Close the buckle.
-  Slide the adjuster to the needed size.
-  Leave room for two fingers between the collar and neck.
-  Keep the D-ring and hardware sitting comfortably.
-  Make sure the buckle opens with a firm straight pull.
-  Re-adjust if the collar is too loose or too tight.

HOW IT SHOULD FIT



→ FRONT VIEW ←

→ SIDE VIEW ←



→ BACK VIEW ←

SIZE REMINDER

	SMALL	7–8 1/2 in
	MEDIUM	8 1/2–10 in
	LARGE	10–11 1/2 in

Measure around the base of your cat's neck where the collar sits.



SAFETY NOTE

Breakaway collars are for cats and everyday wear, not for leash walking.

Always check the fit regularly and adjust as your cat grows or as needed.

Finished Collar, Safety & Care

You did it! Your cat's collar is ready to wear.

QUICK RECAP

- 1  Cut the strip and interfacing.
- 2  Fuse and fold the strap.
- 3  Topstitch.
- 4  Attach female buckle and D-ring.
- 5  Thread slider and male buckle.
- 6  Adjust the fit.

YOUR FINISHED COLLAR

STRAIGHT VIEW



CURVED VIEW



SAFETY

-  Leave room for 2 fingers.
-  Test the breakaway release.
-  Do not use for leash walking.
-  For cats only.

CARE

-  Hand wash or gentle wash.
-  Air dry.
-  Check hardware regularly.
-  Trim loose threads if needed.

THREE SIZES TO FIT YOUR CAT

SIZE	NECK FIT (ADJUSTABLE)	STRAP WIDTH
 SMALL	7–8 1/2 in	1/2 in
 MEDIUM	8 1/2–10 in	
 LARGE	10–11 1/2 in	



Thank you for making something special for your cat! 