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Adjustments to fabric seam margins



Took part **4**
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Input

What went in
6 cm fabric strips and a custom 4 cm wooden block template

Activity

Direct 4 cm cuts lacking overlap caused severe fraying. We increased the fabric to 6 cm to provide necessary seam margins for structural stability. To eliminate unwanted pencil guidelines on the final product, we introduced a custom 4 cm wooden block as a tactile placement guide. Placing this template directly over the 6 cm fabric strips allowed precise 4 cm spacing and controlled overlap during Kantha stitching, resulting in significantly cleaner, mark-free finishes.

Output

Confidence and ownership

Outcome

Craft precision (Kantha)

Finishes were much cleaner and free of pencil marks.

(We observed it)

Learnings

Direct 4 cm cuts with no overlap fray badly. 6 cm strips give the seam margin needed, and a wooden template replaces pencil guidelines.

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