



Seams

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Almost all sewing projects, no matter how big or how small, require you to decide which type of seam to use. When you're working on outdoor canvas projects, the seam is especially important when you consider water resistance, UV protection, fabric strength, fabric usage, and time.

Typically an overlapping seam, semi-flat felled seam, or full flat felled seam is used for outdoor sewing projects. We've just created a new video to demonstrate how to construct each of these seams and to discuss the benefits and drawbacks to using each one.



To watch "Seam Construction" paste this link into your browser:
<http://www.sailrite.com/Seam-Construction-Video>

Overlapping Seam

- 90% Fabric strength
- Easy to create
- Poor water resistance
- Poor UV protection
- Good fabric usage

Semi-Flat Felled Seam

- 95% Fabric strength
- Nearly waterproof
- Attractive outer appearance
- Average fabric usage
- One stitch is always protected from UV damage

Flat Felled Seam

- 100% Fabric strength
- Almost waterproof
- Attractive appearance
- Poor fabric usage
- Labor intensive

FEATURED PRODUCTS



Soapstone Pencil - #102766

Mark seam lines with this natural, lightweight soapstone pencil. Safe for all fabrics and marks rub off easily. Ridges provide a comfortable finger grip and transparent barrel shows the length of remaining soapstone. Sharpen with any pencil sharpener. Includes pencil style case.



Basting Tape - #129

Our most popular basting tape! Use to hold seams together for more accurate, even, and easy sewing. Works well with canvas materials like Sunbrella and Top Gun. Width: 3/8". Available in 50 yard rolls.



Ginger Seam Ripper with Retractable Blade - #102996

This deluxe seam ripper features retractable razor edged cutting blade. Ergonomically balanced handle provides fine cutting control in numerous positions. With proper use and care, the blade should last a lifetime and is covered by Ginger's guarantee. Comes in a storage box.



4" Thread Clippers - #100743

A must-have accessory for any sewing project! These clippers feature stainless steel, knife edge blades with sharp pointed ends for pulling and snipping threads in tight spots. Protective cap provides safe storage and has a loop for hanging in a convenient location or around your neck from a cord.

CUSTOMER SPOTLIGHT



"This winter my husband and I started making a cockpit cover for our 1972 32' Pacemaker. We already had a flybridge enclosure so we designed the cover to attach at the rail and sewed a flap onto the enclosure to cover the metal track that the spline slides into. We completed the cover at the beginning of this season and are very happy with the result. This was our first project using the Sailrite Ultrafeed machine and it was great!!! Can't wait to start the next project."

- Gary & Brenda, Barnegat Bay, New Jersey

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