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# *Garden Escape*



# Dust Ruffle

## SUPPLIES:

- Lining fabric for mattress deck (yardage according to measurements)
- Decorator fabric for the dust ruffle (yardage according to measurements)
- Husqvarna Viking Ruffler
- Huskylock® serger, 3- or 4-threads
- Husqvarna Viking Designer I, Platinum 950E, Rose, Quilt Designer II or Iris sewing and embroidery machine

## Fabric Cutting Directions

For the deck, measure the length and width of your box spring (A + B). Cut the lining fabric to this measurement plus 1" on all sides.

For the ruffle, measure from the top of the box spring to the floor (C) and add 2-1/2". Cut three panels of decorator fabric, one for each side (A) and one for the width of the box spring (B), the required length by 2-1/2 times each measurement (A & B).

## Constructing the Dust Ruffle

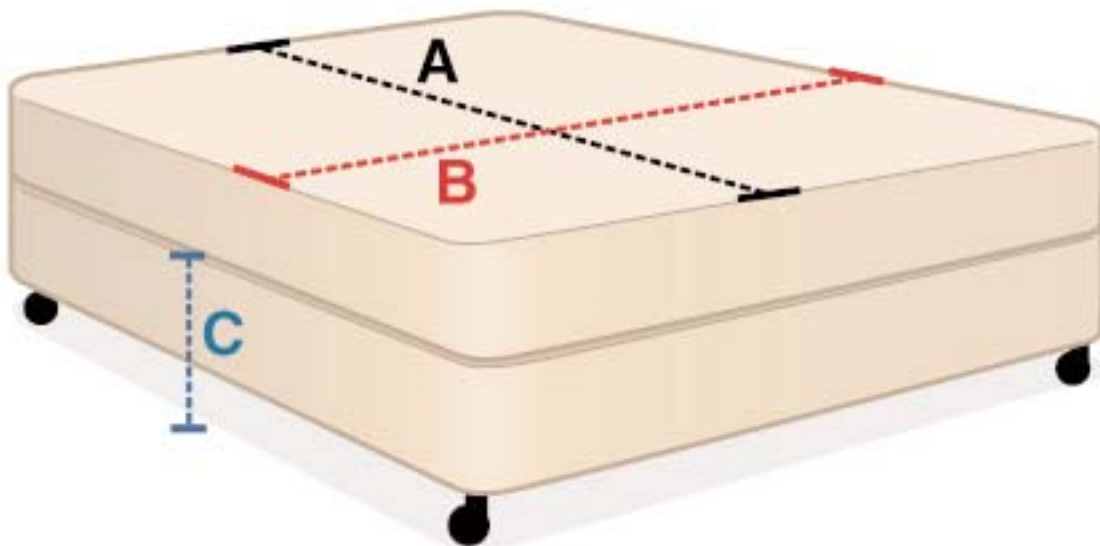
Piece the fabric as necessary to reach the required width for each skirt panel. Turn under and press a 1" double-fold hem along the bottom edge on each panel. Using your Blind Hem Foot, stitch the hem in place or topstitch if you desire.

Turn under and press a 1" double-fold hem on the side edges of each panel and stitch in place as before.

Attach your ruffler and stitch along the top edge of each panel 1/2" from the top edge. Test the amount of ruffling on a scrap of the same fabric and adjust the gathers to the correct fullness. The ruffler is part of the versatile Husqvarna Viking Home Dec Kit.

Finish one short side of the lining with a 1/2" double-fold hem or a 3- or 4-thread serged edge. The Huskylock serger has a Sewing Advisor®. Just choose your fabric weight and type, select your stitch and it tells you all the settings including tension.

With right sides together, pin the skirt panels to the remaining three sides of the deck. Stitch with a 1/2" seam allowance. Clean-finish the seam allowances with a 3- or 4-thread serger stitch.



## Duvet Cover

### SUPPLIES:

- Existing comforter (duvet)
- Decorator fabric for top of duvet (according to measurements)
- Coordinating fabric for reverse side of duvet (according to measurements)
- Velcro® brand Soft & Flexible SEW-ON tape (yardage according to measurements)
- Husqvarna Viking Edge/Joining Foot
- Husqvarna Viking Designer I, Platinum 950E, Rose, Quilt Designer II or Iris sewing and embroidery machine

### Fabric Cutting Directions

Measure the length and width of your comforter. Add 1" to the width and 2-1/4" to the length. To piece the decorator and coordinating fabrics to achieve the correct width, cut two full lengths of fabric for the front and back. If you are using a print fabric, be sure to allow extra yardage for matching the print.

Use one full width of fabric for the center of the duvet cover. Cut the remaining piece in half lengthwise, and stitch to either side of the center panel, matching the print if necessary, and creating the correct duvet width.

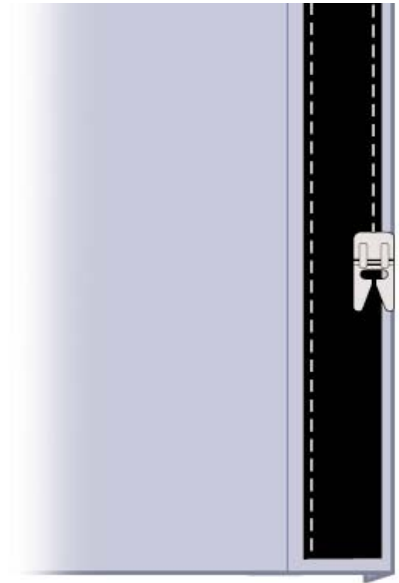
Cut a bias strip of fabric 3" wide by the measurement of the sides and bottom of the duvet plus 10"-15" for pleating at each corner. Piece as needed to create one continuous piece of bias fabric.

### Constructing the Duvet Cover

From the right side, turn under and press 1/4" and then 1" along the top edge each of the front and back of the duvet pieces.

Open out the 1" fold and stitch one side of Velcro® brand Soft & Flexible SEW-ON tape along each edge.

Use the Husqvarna Viking Edge/Joining Foot and adjustable needle positions to sew the hook and loop tape in place. The flange on this foot will ride along the edge of the tape for accurate stitching. Refold and topstitch the hem in place.



Fold the bias band in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. Pin the band along the sides and bottom edge of the duvet front, matching the raw edges. Fold the binding into pleats around the corners. Machine baste in place. On most Husqvarna Viking sewing machines, select the basting feature found on the Sewing Advisor®. Just touch your fabric weight and type, then baste. The Sewing Advisor automatically lengthens the stitch and reduces the tension to create a temporary basting stitch that is easy to remove later.

Pin the duvet front and back pieces, right sides together, joining the hook and loop tape at the top edge to help keep the layers together while stitching. Stitch along the side and bottom edges with a 1/2" seam allowance. Turn right side out and press. Insert your duvet.

## Window Treatment

We created basic drapery panels and added a decorative swag using M'Fay Pattern Drapery Swag IV.

**For more home decorating ideas, ask your local Husqvarna Viking retailer about the Quick Home Dec Inspiration Book. To find your nearest retailer, visit [www.husqvarnaviking.com](http://www.husqvarnaviking.com).**

## Throw Pillow



### SUPPLIES:

- 1 yard of decorator fabric
- Scrap of fabric with large floral motif
- 18" pillow form
- 2-1/4 yard of cording
- 1 yard of flat braid
- Four 1" buttons
- Husqvarna Viking Home Dec Kit
- Husqvarna Viking Designer I, Platinum 950E, Rose, Quilt Designer II or Iris sewing and embroidery machine

### Cutting Directions

Cut two 19" squares of decorator fabric. Using the pillow template from the Husqvarna Viking Home Dec Kit, cut a diamond-shaped piece from the fabric scrap centering a flower motif for the fabric inset.

For the contrast piping, cut a bias strip 2" wide by 2-1/2 yards long, piecing as necessary.

### Constructing the Throw Pillow

Fold one 19" square into quarters, press. Place a

mark 1" in from each side center point. Pin the diamond-shaped piece over the 19" square matching the marks with the diamond points, right side up. Baste in place.

Pin, then stitch, a length of flat braid over each raw edge of the inset fabric. Using the Button Sew-On feature on your Husqvarna Viking sewing machine, sew a button at each corner of the diamond shape. Simply touch the Sewing Advisor®, found on most Husqvarna Viking sewing machines, touch your fabric weight and type and then touch Button. The Sewing Advisor automatically selects the stitch and sets your machine for your fabric and task. Once a button is sewn on, touch reverse to tie-off.

Wrap the bias strip of fabric around the cording and stitch close to the cord using a Husqvarna Viking Single Welt Cord Foot. The Single Welt Cord Foot, found in the Husqvarna Viking Home Dec Kit, has a deep groove on the underside, perfect for easily making custom cording to match any of your decorating projects.

Pin the wrapped cord to the right side of the pillow front matching the raw edges. Use your Sewing Advisor® to machine-baste in place, close to the cording. Use the 25 adjustable needle positions on your Husqvarna Viking sewing machine to stitch close to the cord.

With right sides together, pin the pillow front to the back. Stitch close to the cord leaving a 6" opening for turning.

Trim the seams and turn right side out. Insert the pillow form and slipstitch the opening closed.

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