

ALL ABOUT the braiding foot

Add trims, ribbons, cords, or even elastic to the surface of the fabric with the versatile braiding foot. Stitch through or couch trims using any of the utility stitches on your sewing machine.

Begin by loosening the screw (1) and moving the guide (2) to fit the size of the trim. Thread the trim into the hole from the top and under the back of the foot. Tighten the screw so the braid slides through the slot but can't twist or turn while sewing.

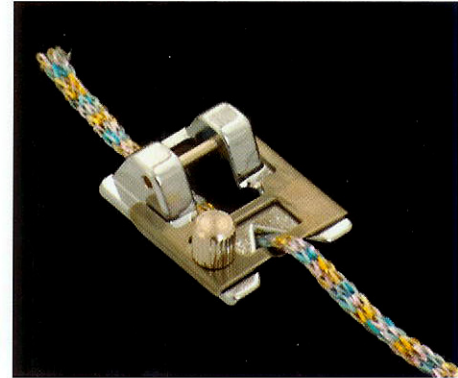
When selecting a trim to use with the braiding foot, make sure the trim is not wider than the groove (3) on the bottom of the foot so it feeds smoothly while sewing.

traditional applications

Choose your stitches based on the type of trim or elastic being applied. To sew trims or ribbons directly to the background use either a straight or narrow zigzag stitch. Soutache braid is a type of trim that is sewn down the middle and directly to the background fabric. Twin, and triple needles can be used to sew narrow 1/8" wide ribbons or rick rack.

couching

For couching, choose a stitch that gently encases the trim. Adjust the stitch width so the stitch floats over the trim but doesn't pierce it.



Select a thread color that enhances the trim or use a monofilament thread that will be invisible when applied. Traditional bobbinfil is used on the bobbin in both instances.

