





Gathering Foot

Stitch: Basting or Straight

Width: Pre-set

Length: Pre-set or longest setting

possible

Tension: 6.0-9.0

Fabric, needles, notions required:

Light- to medium weight fabrics of choice; universal needle, size 80/12; all-purpose sewing thread for needle and bobbin

gathering

Create fullness in your fabric using a built-in basting stitch and the gathering foot.

1. Snap on the gathering foot and select the basting stitch or adjust the straight stitch length to the longest possible length. Position the fabric edge at the 5/8" marking on the needle plate and sew. The fabric will gather under the foot. Pull the threads to increase the gathers if desired or increase the needle tension. Refer to the information about the gathering foot in the sewing machine accessories section on page 21. (#1)



 To gather a fabric and sew it to a flat fabric, place the flat fabric in the slot of the gathering foot and the fabric to be gathered under the foot. If the fabric to be gathered is a double thickness, baste the edges together first. (#2)



3. Place the flat fabric in the slot and the fabric to be gathered under the foot. Increase the needle tension to make fuller gathers. (#3)



Refer to the information under gathering foot in the sewing machine accessories section of this workbook for adjusting the amount of gathering on your fabric. Test sew a sample to get the results desired.



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Gathering Foot

Stitch: Straight or Basting Stitch

Width: Pre-set

Length: 5.0-7.0mm

Tension: 6.0-9.0

Fabric, needles, notions required:

Fine fabrics such as batiste, silk or lightweight linen; universal needle, size 70/10 or 80/12; rayon or heirloom embroidery thread for needle and bobbin

heirloom — puffing

A gathered strip inserted into traditional heirloom garments.

 Refer to the information for gathering a single layer of fabric. Cut a strip of fabric as wide as desired for the puffing strip.
Following step 1, gather one edge of the strip however use the edge of the foot as your guide for a seam allowance. (#1)



2. Turn the strip and gather the other edge in the same manner. Once both edges are sewn, gently pull the edges to straighten the gathers. (#2)



Puffing strips are usually attached to entredeux before the strip is attached to another piece of fabric or lace. To sew the entredeux to the puffing strip, use the same method as you did for attaching lace to fabric.