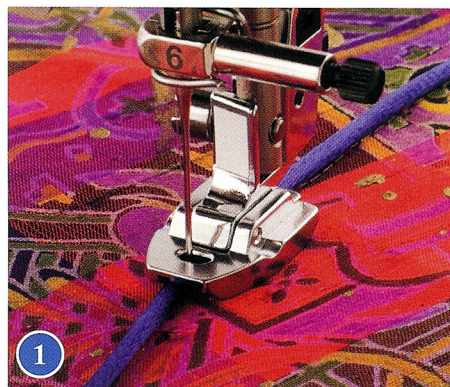


# invisible couching

*Attach heavy cords with a monofilament thread making it appear as if the cord is floating on the fabric top or edge.*

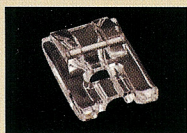
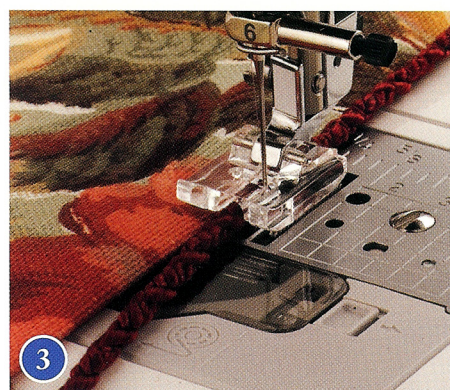
1. Thread your needle with monofilament thread. Draw a line on the right side of your fabric with an air-soluble marking pen. If you select the invisible zipper foot to couch your cord, adjust your machine for a blind appliqué stitch. Place the heavy cord in the left groove under the foot and on the drawn line. Adjust the stitch width according to the weight of the cord. Begin stitching. The horizontal stitch should just bite into the edge of the cord. (#1)



2. With the pearl & piping foot, select an overcast or a zigzag stitch. Place the heavy cord in the groove under the foot and on the drawn line. Adjust the stitch width according to the weight of the cord. Begin stitching. With the overcast stitch, the horizontal stitch should just bite into the edge of the cord. If you are using a zigzag stitch, lengthen the stitch and adjust the width to completely cover the cord. (#2)



3. For couching a cord to the edge, place the decorative cord in the groove of the pearl & piping foot. Place the finished edge of the fabric under the foot and next to the cord. Select the overcast stitch and adjust the width to just catch the cord as you sew. (#3)



**Pearl & Piping Foot**



**Invisible Zipper Foot**

**Stitch:** Overcasting Stitch, Blind Appliqué Stitch, or Zigzag

**Width:** 3.0mm, 1.5mm, or adjust as desired

**Length:** 2.5mm, 3.0mm, or 3.0-5.0mm

**Tension:** Pre-set

**Fabric, needles, notions required:**

Fabric of choice; universal, size 80/12 or 90/14; monofilament for needle and all-purpose polyester for bobbin; decorative cords; air-soluble marking pen

**TIP**

The cord will be positioned in a slightly different position under the foot based on the position of the grooves on the foot soles. The pearl & piping foot will also hold heavier cords than the invisible zipper foot.