



Reasons to Serge

Sergers do everything from speed your sewing to making it look more professional. Check the list below for 75 reasons to use a serger in your sewing room.

*References: TTN = Through The Needle
STRB = Serger Technique Reference Book*

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1. Speed your sewing
2. Easy construction methods
3. Clean finish raw edges of woven fabrics
4. Trim uneven edges of fabric
5. 4-Thread Overlock Stitch for strong construction
6. 3-Thread Overlock Stitch for decorative edges
7. 3-Thread Roll Hem for a professional edge
8. 2-Thread Overlock Stitch for decorative edges
9. 2-Thread Roll Hem Stitch for a delicate finish
10. Narrow Flatlock for decorative seaming (STRB)
11. Wide Flatlock for decorative seaming (STRB)
12. Cover Stitch for ready-made look (STRB)
13. Chain Stitch for seaming (STRB)
14. Capability to use decorative threads
15. Serger Lace edge: "A Little Lacy Towel" (log on to www.bernausa.com)
16. Serger Charm Bracelet (TTN Issue #18)
17. Laundry Line construction (TTN Classroom #3)
18. Toasty Serger Socks (TTN Issue #18)
19. Differential Feed for no puckers or ripples
20. mtc - Micro Thread Control for nice, flat seams
21. Easy-to-serge Polar Fleece projects
22. Perfect seaming on knit fabrics
23. Decorative serger chain for couching (STRB)
24. Wrapped edges for reversible clothing (STRB)
25. Fishline Edges for standup ruffles (STRB)
26. Designer Cuff technique (STRB)
27. Wire-edged ribbon for shapeable bows (STRB)
28. Coverstitch/chainstitch "plaid" (STRB)
29. Serging vinyl and/or plastics
30. Serging leather and/or suede
31. Create easy-turn tubes for straps (STRB)
32. Serger log cabin table topper (see TTN #1)
33. Glove Glam—www.sewing.org-search for gloves
34. Mock flat-felled seams (STRB)
35. Attaching ribbing to garments (STRB)
36. Chain Stitch gathering (STRB)
37. Reversible Quilting (STRB)
38. Beaded Piping (STRB)
39. Double Roll Hem technique (TTN Issue #20)
38. Serger Smocking (TTN Classroom Edition #2)
39. Make easy reversible napkins (TTN #15)
40. Make a Speedy Patternless Skirt (TTN #2)
41. Whip up a Ruffled Tank (TTN #2)
42. Lettuce Edge "Ruffles" on baby clothes (TTN #4)
43. Online Serging Classes at www.bernausa.com
44. Professional garment construction – serge all cut edges prior to construction to "pre-finish" seams
45. Prepare a quilt for binding by serging the edges with a narrow 3-thread overlock stitch
46. Flatlock Fringe (TTN #15)
47. Chainstitch embellishment (lampshade in TTN #6)
48. Remove needles and easily cut strips of fabric
49. Serger strip piecing (STRB)
50. Dust ruffle with 1-step gathering (TTN Classroom #3)
51. Piped ruffled pillow edging (TTN Classroom #3)
52. Concealed Zipper (STRB)
53. Exposed Zipper (STRB)
54. Piped Zipper (STRB)
55. Simple Basket Garter (www.bernausa.com)
56. Reversible Vest (www.bernausa.com)
57. Colorful Bed Linens (www.bernausa.com)
58. Scalloped Edge Finish (STRB)
59. Mock French seams (STRB)
60. Roll hem tassels (STRB)
61. Heirloom sewing by serger (STRB)
62. Stretch trim and piping (STRB)
63. Serged Buttons (STRB)
64. Attach piping with the Multi-purpose foot (STRB)
65. Serged Blanket Stitch (STRB)
66. Serger piping (STRB)
67. Super Stretch stitch (STRB)
68. Apply beads by serger (STRB)
69. Serger Puffing (STRB)
70. Flatlock Weaving (STRB)
71. Chain Stitch Fringe (STRB)
72. Rolled Chain Fringe (STRB)
73. Chain Stitch Tucks (STRB)
74. Flatlock fur pieces together (STRB)
75. Custom drapery hem (STRB)