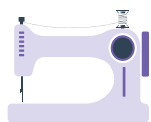


# How to Make Car Seat Covers



## THINGS YOU'LL NEED:

- Sewing machine
- Several yards of fabric
- Thread
- Flexible measuring tape
- Pins
- Scissors
- Iron



## WHAT TO DO:

1. Begin by measuring your seats. Measure the depth and width of the seat base, the height of the seat back, and the length of the rear part of the seat. Use your measuring tape to find every dimension of the seat, and record the measurements on a piece of paper. It may help to draw a diagram and note measurements on that.
2. Choose and purchase fabric based on your needs. Now that you have the dimensions, you'll have an idea of how much fabric you need. Estimate the yardage and round up. It doesn't hurt to have extra fabric to make up for any mistakes you might make.
3. Next, use your measurements to cut out fabric pieces. Err on the side of making the pieces too large, and don't worry too much about making the shape perfect. You'll adjust the shape as needed.
4. Head out to the car and place the fabric pieces where they will go on the seat. Use pins to attach the pieces together and adjust the size and fit. With the scissors, trim the fabric near the pins, allowing about an inch for your seams. Mark the places where the seat belt comes through the seat cover.
5. Use the sewing machine to sew the seams where you pinned them. Double stitch the seams if you are concerned about durability and top stitch the area around the seat belt. If your seat is tapered and you're worried about being able to get the cover on and off, use elastic to give the bottom of the cover some stretch.
6. Iron your seat cover according to the fabric directions, and you're done.