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Make one to wear and one to toss!

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Supplies

- 2-inch wide flat lace 1½ times the measurement of your thigh
- 2 yards ½ to ¾-inch-wide satin ribbon in white, light blue, or the color of your bridal party
- ¾-inch-wide elastic (preferably soft-backed) the measurement of your thigh minus one inch
- Small heart-shaped charm, possibly engraved with your wedding date
- Thread to match both the lace and the ribbon (if different)
- Access to a sewing machine and basic sewing supplies

Instructions

1. Thread the bobbin with thread the color of the lace and the upper thread the color of the ribbon (if different).
2. Fold the ribbon in quarters and place pins at the ¼, ½, and ¾ marks. Do the same with the elastic. (See Figure 1.)
3. Layer the elastic, the lace, and the ribbon. Pin together at each end and where you placed your pins. The elastic will be quite a bit shorter. (See Figure 2.)
4. Using a regular straight stitch carefully stitch along both sides of the ribbon, stretching the elastic as you go. It is helpful to use the “needle down” position if your sewing machine has it.
5. Sew the garter together. I used a zig-zag stitch. Trim.
6. Tie a bow of the remaining ribbon and sew to the garter. Sew the charm in the center of the ribbon.

Place pins at the ¼, ½, and ¾ inch marks on the ribbon and on the elastic.

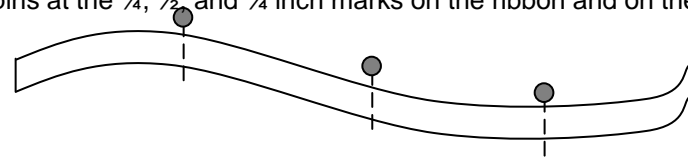


Figure 1.

Layer ribbon on top of the lace,
Then layer on top of the elastic, matching pin marks.
Stretch the lace as you sew along both edges of the ribbon.

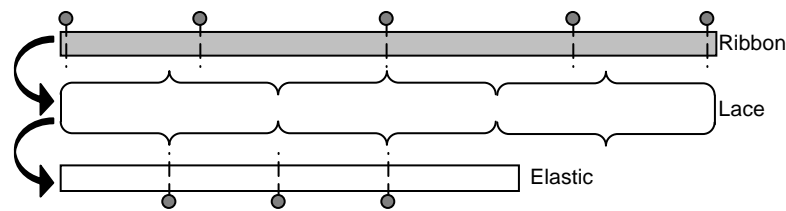


Figure 2.