

Easy DIY Pencil Holder

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Items List:

- 1 15 oz. can
- ¼ yard cloth or old denim jeans (probably enough for 2 cans)
- thread
- Needle (or sewing machine)
- Scissors
- Measuring tape

Instructions:



1. Clean and dry an empty 15 ounce can. (size approximate)



2. Measure around the can and add 2 inches for ½" seams. Divide this number in half and write it down. This is the width.



3. Measure the length and add 3" to turn under raw edges and leave a 'cuff' at the top. This is the length.
4. Cut two pieces of cloth that are the width x the length measurements. (You should have two rectangular pieces.)
5. Sew the two side seams along the length of the cloth. (You can zig-zag or use pinking shears on the side seams and top and bottom edges if you wish, but it isn't necessary.)



6. Fold under cloth at bottom about an inch and slide over the top of can.
7. Fold down the top to inside leaving a ½-1 inch cuff above the rim, tucking it in about a 1/4" under the rim, so no raw edges show.
8. Fill with pencils, crayons, flowers or cookies.

Note: If you wish to use a denim pocket: Measure the pocket to make certain it will fit length-wise on your can. In step four, evenly measure one of the pieces so that the pocket rests in the center, leaving 1 extra inch below the pocket and 2 inches above for the cuff.