Basic instructions for finishing fabric

Instructions No. 2734

John Difficulty: Advanced

O Working time: 3 Hours

This idea is made with the produts ODIF OdiCoat and TexWax, which are import for DIY coating both. They can compared with each other here. The recipe book is treated with ODIF OdiCoat and TexWas was used for the snack bag.



How ODIF OdiCoat is to be used

This product is a transparent gel that will be applied to fabric with a brush or sponge. It can be used as an adhesive and gives the fabric a **dirt and moisture repellent impregnation.**

For a good protective layer, another coat of ODIF OdiCoat Gel should be applied after the first application, at the earliest after 20 minutes. The prodtective layer will be completely dry after 24 hours. You can accelerate the drying process by using a hot air device.

After drying, the impregnated fabric can be wiped off with a damp cloth or sponge. If the fabric is now iron-fixed (important: iron without steam, put baking paper between the fabric and the iron!), it is then washable with the coating at 30° C.



TexWax application

This product is a **food-safe wax emulsion**. Depending on the application technique, the fabrics treated with TexWax have different qualities.

Application without heat treatment: If TexWax is simply applied with a brush or sponge and then allowed to dry, a waxy protective film forms on the textile, making it dirt-repellent. Fabric parts treated in this way can be wiped with a damp cloth.

When fabric treated with **TexWax is heated** (with a hot air gun or an iron), the wax bonds with the fabric to form a food-safe, **reusable**, **breathable film**. This can be shaped with the help of hand heat, for example, into a protective cover for containers filled with food. However, the decorative fish-holding film made in this way will absorb liquids from the microporous textile.





Recipe book with protective cloth cover

Lay the fabric on the table with the wrong side up and coat the glued edges (see template) with OdiCoat. Fold them inward and fix them by brushing them again with OdiCoat. Now you have clean edges. Turn the fabric over and paint the right side completely with OdiCoat. After the drying time, sew the corners together. Thus our book cover is ready and the book can be inserted.

Advantage: The protective cover can be removed for cleaning or can be put on a new book.

Important: As long as the coating is not completely dry, sewing will be difficult. Therefore, it is best to let it stand for 24 hours so that the coating really does not stick anymore.

Snack pocket made with TexWax

We recommend that you apply the TexWax after finishing the bag, because the fabrics will sew better without treatment.

Sewing instructions

Cut both fabrics to 40 x 20 cm, plus 1 cm seam allowance. Lay the fabric pieces crosswise on the table, and draw guide lines on the back of the printed fabric:

First, set a vertical center line in the middle.

Make a mark on the center line about 1.5 cm from the bottom and about 1.5 cm from the top (calculated without seam allowance). These are the places where the zipper will start and end later. Draw a cross line at these marks, starting from the center line 0.3 cm long each, so that both cross lines are 0.6 cm long each.

Join both cross lines at the ends so that you have a narrow rectangle of 0.6 x 17 cm.

Cut this rectangle at the center line and cut crosswise into the corners: you have thus created the opening for the zipper.

The next step is to cut your zipper and attach the **zipper**. Place the Uni fabric on the back of the zipper and roughly sew the two pieces together by hand. Turn the sewing piece, place the printed fabric with the right (printed) side on top of the zipper. Also sew this fabric roughly by hand first.

Only now sew everything together with the sewing machine using a zipper foot, then you can remove the rough auxiliary seams.

Now **sew** the printed fabric together from all sides. Repeat this process for the plain fabric as well, but allow for a turnaround opening here. You can chain the seam allowances or trim them with pinking shears. Turn your bag over and close the turning opening.



TexWax coating

Coat the right sides of the fabrics with TexWax. In order to have a food-safe protective film on the fabrics, which can be wiped off with a damp cloth, we recommend that you do not treat the snack bag with heat afterwards. This will prevent the fabric from absorbing liquids (as described above).

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
721981	VBS Memo book "DIN A5"	1
17489	Cotton fabric "Meadow flower"	1
393140-02	ODIF Odicoat Gel for Fabric coating250 ml	1
39161001	VBS Wooden buttons "Size Mix", 100 g	1
15345	Rubber cords "Pastel", set of 4	1

14742	Kraft Paper Sticker "Labels"	1
16071	Cotton fabric "Veggy"	1
376655	Cotton fabric "Uni"Reed green	1
398268-01	VBS Endless zipper set, incl. 10 zips, 5 mWhite	1
398473	TexWax Impregnating Fluid	1
347556	KREUL Disappearing ink pen	1

