

# No-Sew Curtains Step-by-Step Instructions

Makes 1 pair of curtains

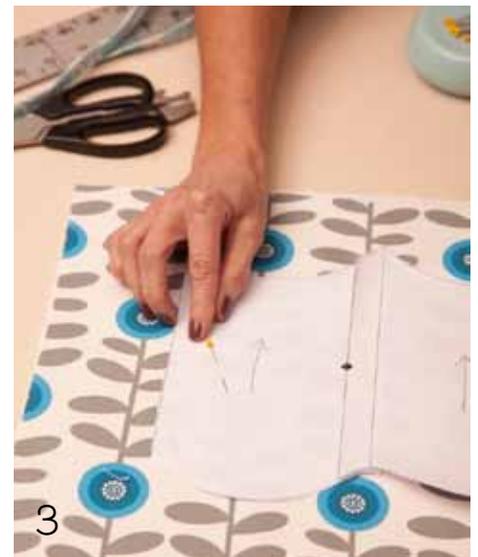
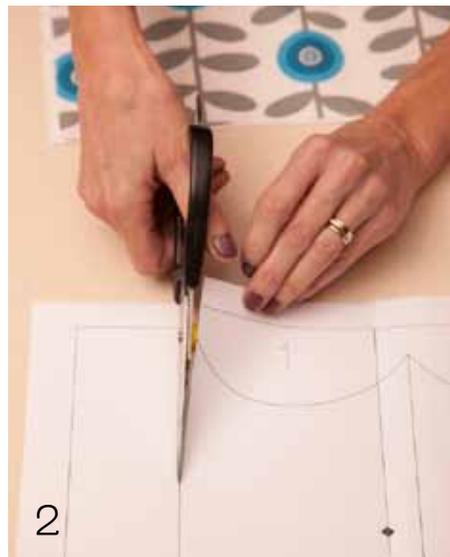
## Supplies

1 pair Ready-Made Linen Panels  
Steam-A-Seam 2 fusible web, ¼ inch  
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Bias Tape Maker, 1 inch  
10 Post Adapters and 10 Finials for installation  
⅓ yard of fabric for valance toppers  
⅓ yard of lining (ivory or white)  
1½ yards of contrast fabric for bias banding  
(must be cut on the bias)  
Cornstarch

NOTE: Supplies and Ready-Made Linen Panels available at [patemeadows.com](http://patemeadows.com). Fabric available at [spoonflower.com](http://spoonflower.com).



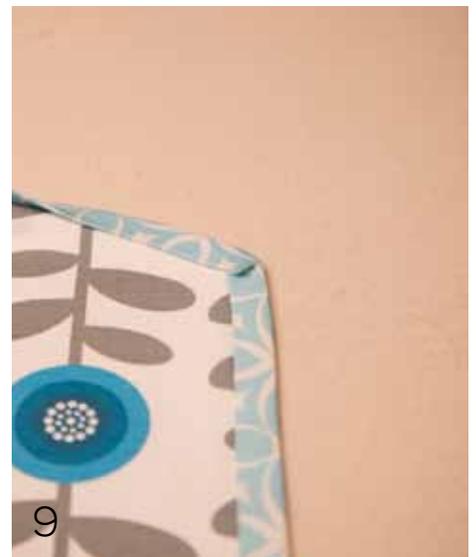
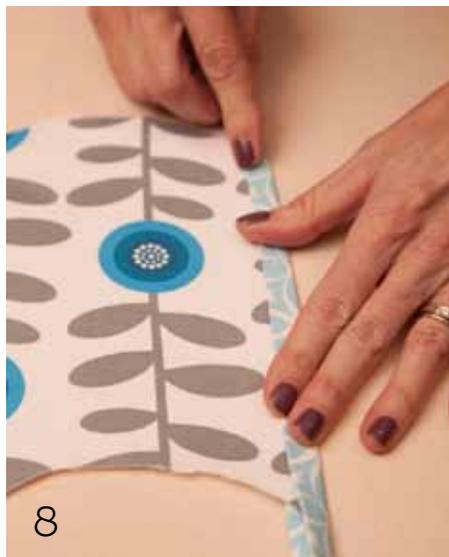
## Step-by-Step



**STEP 1.** Download pattern; print out all 4 sheets on 8½ x11 paper.

**STEP 2.** Fold back each sheet on the left edge along the frame line. Arrange the sheets in order from 1 to 4. Tape the sheets together, matching the notches; cut out the entire pattern.

**STEP 3.** Lay out the lining right side down. Sprinkle with cornstarch; smooth out lightly by hand. Lay the face fabric on top of the lining, right side up. Press thoroughly with a steam iron. (The cornstarch binds the fabrics together to keep them from slipping.) Lay the pattern on top of the 2 layers of fabric, with the arrows following the direction of the fabric. (You should be able to cut 2 toppers out of ⅓ yard of fabric). Pin the pattern in place.



**STEP 4.** Cut out the fabric following the outer lines of the pattern. Set toppers aside.

**STEP 5.** From the contrasting fabric, cut 4 bias strips 2¼ inches wide by 60 inches long. (Follow the directions, Cutting Bias Strips for Piping and Banding.) Follow the steps below for preparing all 4 bias strips. Using 1-inch Bias Tape Maker and following the directions for Using Bias Tape Makers form the bias banding.

**STEP 6.** For the next few steps, you will be using the Steam-A-Seam 2, ¼ inch. With the folded edges of bias banding facing up, finger-press the Steam-A-Seam 2 (paper side up) onto each fold, as shown. Press with a steam iron.

**STEP 7.** With paper backing still attached, fold the bias banding in half lengthwise, then press. Unfold, and peel off the paper backing.

**STEP 8.** Take 1 strip of the prepared bias banding. Leaving a little extra banding, start at the top corner of the assembled toppers and wrap the bias banding around the raw edges along 1 side. Finger-press in place; press with a steam iron.

**STEP 9.** Form a small tuck in the banding at the corner and wrap around next raw edge. Finger-press in place; press with a steam iron.



**STEP 10.** Continue finger-pressing the bias banding in place along the bottom edge. (Since the banding was cut on the bias, it should easily bend and form to the shape of the topper.) Press with a steam iron as you go to attach banding.

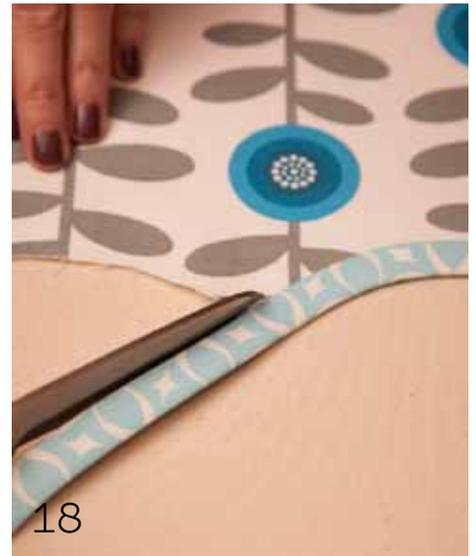
**STEP 11.** When you have finished attaching the banding along the 2 sides and the bottom, trim the excess banding off each top corner of the topper, following the line of the pattern.

**STEP 12.** Take another strip of bias banding. Fold up the raw edge at the end of the strip, and finger-press. Finger-press a small piece of the Steam-A-Seam to the end fold.

**STEP 13.** Fold the end of the bias strip in half, as shown. Finger-press the end area only.

**STEP 14.** Measure 6 inches from the end, and mark with a straight pin.

**STEP 15.** Beginning at the first “point” at the top corner of the topper and leaving a 6-inch “tail,” start wrapping the bias banding around the raw edges of the fabric, as shown.



**STEP 16.** Finger-press in place up to the next “point.” Once you are happy with the position, press with a steam iron.

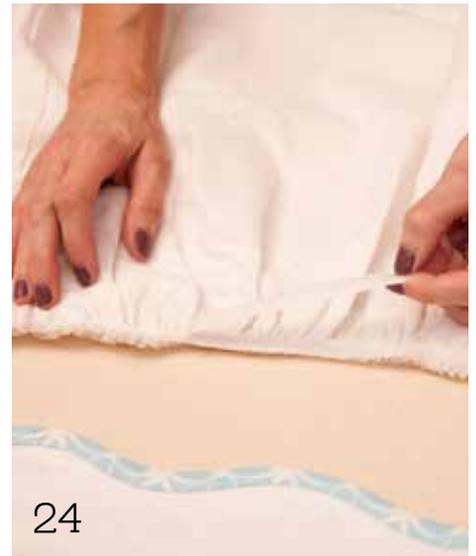
**STEP 17.** Measure 6 inches past the second “point,” and mark the banding with a pin.

**STEP 18.** Clip the fabric of topper  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch, as shown.

**STEP 19.** Form a loop in the bias banding. Begin wrapping the bias banding around fabric again, aligning the pin mark with the clipped fabric. Finger-press in place up to the next “point”; press with the steam iron. Continue the process across the top of the pattern, forming a 6-inch loop at each “point.”

**STEP 20.** Finish up on the last “point,” leaving a 6-inch “tail” with a finished edge (as you did at the first “point”). Join the “tails” to the top corners at each end to form a loop. Hand-stitch the loops at each end, as shown.

**STEP 21.** Using the steam iron, press the entire edging again to make sure the banding is well secured.



**STEP 22.** Turn the topper over so that the wrong side faces up. From the top of each “point,” measure down 6 inches and lightly mark, as shown. Using a straight edge and a pencil, lightly draw a line across the back of the topper to connect marks.

**STEP 23.** Trim the tops of the ready-made panels to the desired length. Serge the raw edge of each panel, and gather it up to the width of the topper (about 20 inches). Press Steam-A-Seam 2, ½ inch, onto the front side of the panel along the gathered edge. Press with a steam iron.

**STEP 24.** Peel off the paper backing. Apply the panel to the back of the topper along the pencil line; press with a steam iron.

**STEP 25.** Press thoroughly, making sure to steam it really well.

Note: Use finials and post adapters for installation.

