

Make Do Needle Case by Kathy Schmitz

Turn your empty TP rolls into a vintage inspired needle case!

Finished size depends on TP roll size.

SUPPLIES:

2 empty TP rolls, printer, wool scraps, batting scraps, pinking shears, & glue

*Mod Podge was used on the sample, but white glue will also work



HOW TO:

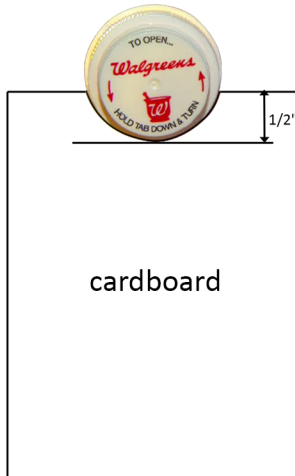
•Flatten the 2 cardboard rolls. •At one end of one of the rolls (use the widest one if they differ), measure 1/2" from the top and find the center. Using something round, I used a pill bottle top, trace a partial circle onto the cardboard. Cut this out through the front and back of the tube.

•From the second tube cut a piece that is 1" narrower and 1" shorter than the first tube. •Cut two pieces of lightweight batting slightly smaller than this second cut piece. •Cut two pieces of wool 1 1/2" wider and 1 1/2" longer than this second cut piece.

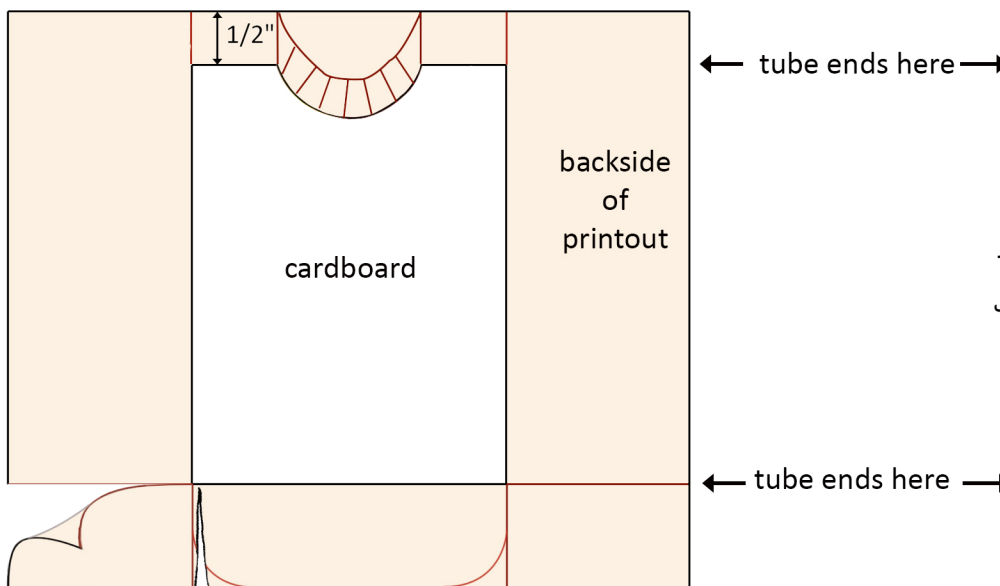
• Sandwich the second piece of cardboard between the batting and wool. •Using a sewing machine sew around the edge of the cardboard. *You can feel the edge. If you happen to stitch a little bit through the cardboard, that's all right. Trim the extra wool using pinking shears leaving a scant 1/4" from the stitching line.

• Print out the background page on regular paper. •Spread a thin layer of glue on one side of the flattened cardboard tube. Place it on the backside of the printout 1/2" from the top and centered side to side (see diagram).

•Spread a thin layer of glue on the other side of the tube and wrap the printout around to the back and glue where it overlaps also. •Make cuts where indicated by the red lines.



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2. clip, clip, clip



•Fold the extra printout paper at the top to the inside and the tube and glue in place. •Fold the bottom flap of printout paper to the backside and glue in place. This will form an envelope of the tube.

•Insert the wool covered cardboard into the paper covered case

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While traveling through France many years ago, I picked up all of the ephemera I could find. The large handwritten piece I used as the background is a page from a register dated 1941. The small piece on top was from an embroider booklet. I altered it a little bit and changed the word *Alphabets* to *Needles* along with a couple of other changes. Looking back through my box of treasures was a fun way to remember all of the fun we had exploring France.



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