

# Buttonholes

On your BERNINA Sewing Machines



## BUTTONHOLE Placement

- The American Sewing Guild has a fantastic article on Buttonhole placement and position
- Visit <https://www.asg.org/button-and-buttonhole-positioning/> to read more



[www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org)



## BERNINA BUTTONHOLE Feet

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- [#3 and #3C Manual buttonhole feet](#)
- [#3B Manual Buttonhole foot with slide](#)
- [#3A Automatic Buttonhole Foot](#)
- [Fabric Feeding Aid for sewing Buttonholes on challenging projects](#)



# Marking your BUTTONHOLES

Determine if your buttonholes should be horizontal or vertical

- Horizontal placement is usually reserved for the outer garment or areas that have high level of stress
  - Collars, waistbands, outer garments single closure items
- Vertical placement is for items with narrow plackets
  - Blouses, shirts, areas which requires less precise button placement
- Refer to original pattern for suggested buttonhole placement
  - If this is a garment, it may be necessary to place buttons in specific areas for the persons individual and unique shape
  - Vertical buttonholes are usually centered  $5/8$ " from the edge
    - Women's buttonholes on the right, men's buttonholes on the left
  - Horizontal: Start  $1/2$ " from the edge with the concept that the button will sit  $5/8$ " in allowing  $1/8$ " for the bartack
- We use our sewing machines to make these marks with a basting stitch





# BUTTONHOLE Styles



There's a BERNINA buttonhole for every application

1. #51 Standard Buttonhole can be sewn with or without cord. Perfect for fine to medium fabrics
2. #52 Narrow Buttonhole for lightweight to fine fabrics
3. #53 Stretch Buttonhole for knits
4. #54 Round Buttonhole with normal bartack is for medium to heavy weight fabrics
5. #55 Round Buttonhole with Horizontal bartack
6. #56 Keyhole Buttonhole for heavy weight fabric with multiple layers and buttons with shanks
7. #57 Keyhole Buttonhole with pointed bartack for non-stretch firm fabrics and buttons with shanks
8. #59 Straight Stitch Buttonhole for reinforcing satin-stitch buttonholes, bound buttonhole, welt pockets and openings on fleece and other man made fabrics without weave.

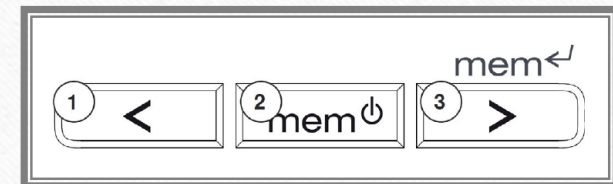
# BUTTONHOLE memory

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Temporary BUTTONHOLE memory: Normally you won't just make one buttonhole. On the BERNINA 325 and up, enjoy easily making uniform buttonholes at each session

The BERNINA 335 – B 880 machines allow you to save buttonholes in longterm memory. Perfect when making tone of the same thing over a long period of time.

- Saving a Buttonhole: Make your buttonhole then press the mem return arrow to the right of the mem power button (3). Your buttonhole is saved
- Retrieving a Saved Buttonhole: Select the type of buttonhole you saved. Select the mem power (2) button then sew the buttonhole





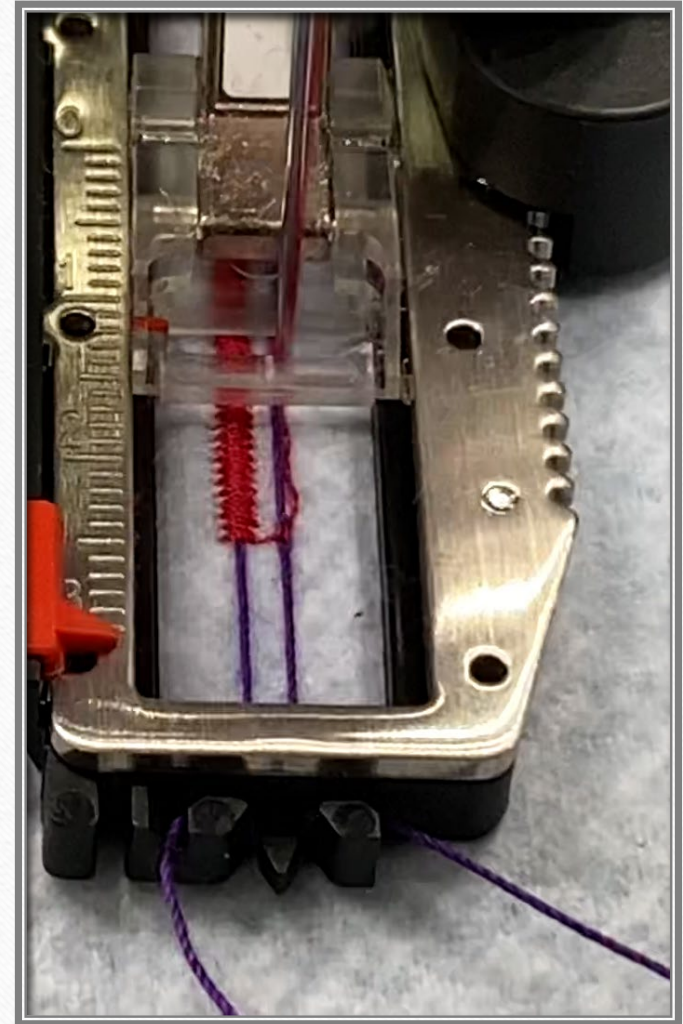
## Corded BUTTONHOLES

Whether it is for durability or decoration, corded buttonholes are easy with the proper foot and cord.

Cording: Mettler 30wt Cordonnet thread

Foot: #3A Automatic buttonhole or #3/3C manual buttonhole foot

Buttonhole: #51 Standard



## Cutting the BUTTONHOLE

There are many ways to open a buttonhole

- Seam Ripper
- Chisel
- Scissors

