Simple Linen Napkin

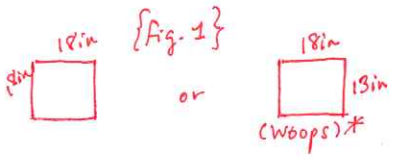
makes 8

MATERIALS

- 2yds Linen of your choice. I chose a more refined, tailored linen.
- Cotton thread (all-purpose) & needle
- Sewing machine optional! But much easier

FABRIC PREP

{fig. 1} - Cut out (8) 18in x 18 in squares *



* When I practiced this pattern I f-ed up & cut 18in x 13in rectangles. I haven't decided if this is a problem, yet.

SEWING THE EDGES

- Get out the iron. I pressed the long* sides of my napkin about 3/8 inch onto the wrong side of the fabric. I pressed all (8) pieces this way at once.

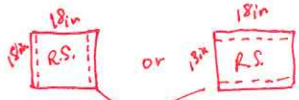
{fig. 2} - I sewed onto the right side of the fabric, praying that my 3/8 inch wasn't scant.*

~~Start~~ *You should backstitch to secure the beginning and end of each side.

- After you've sewed up (2) sides of each napkin, get back to the ironing board and press the other (2) sides of each square (or rectangle in my case*) under.

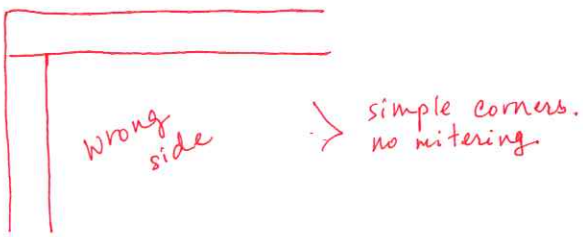
{fig. 3} - Again, these are simple napkins and are not fussy. No mitered corners here, as I did not deem them value added.

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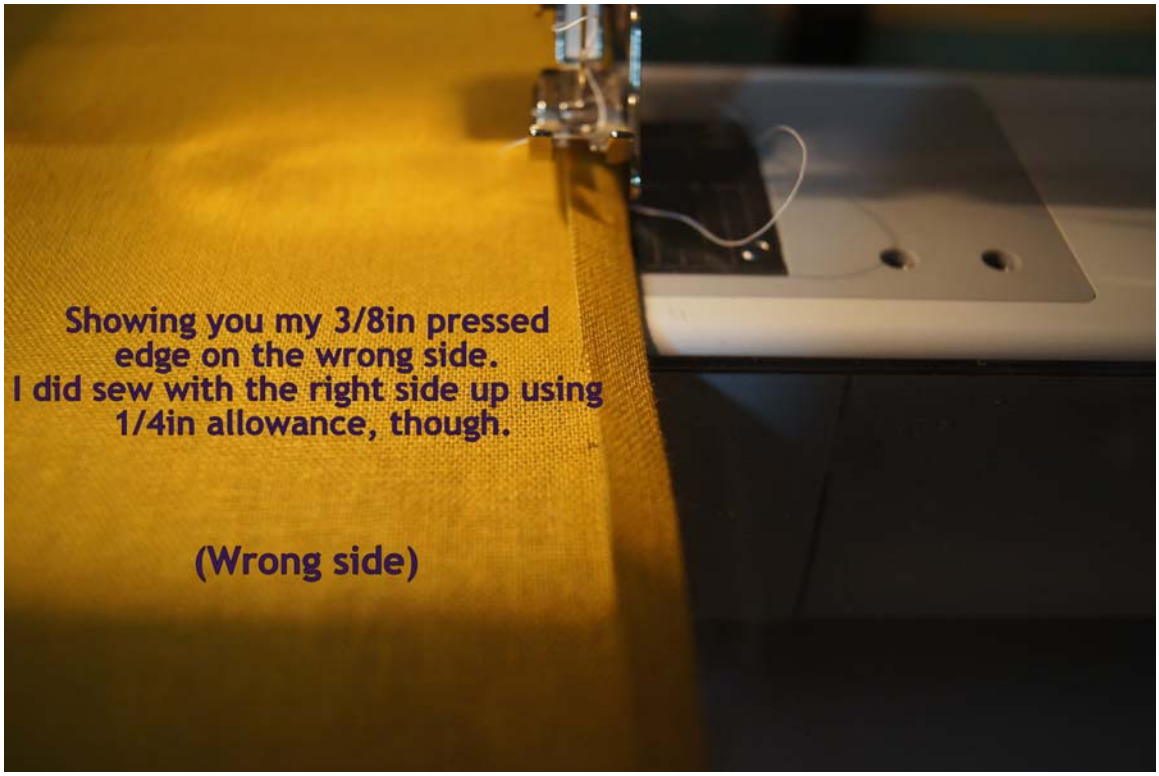


{fig. 2}

fold & press edge 3/8 in, on wrong side but sew right side of fabric using 1/4 in allowance.



- Press all your napkins nice and flat
- Be sure to pull your threads to the wrong side, & secure & clip.


Showing you my 3/8in pressed
edge on the wrong side.
I did sew with the right side up using
1/4in allowance, though.
(Wrong side)


Backstitiching at the beginning &
end of each side
(when I remembered)


Press this baby.


(Right side)


More simple, unmitered corners.
It will be ok.
(Wrong side)


Another simple, unmitered corner

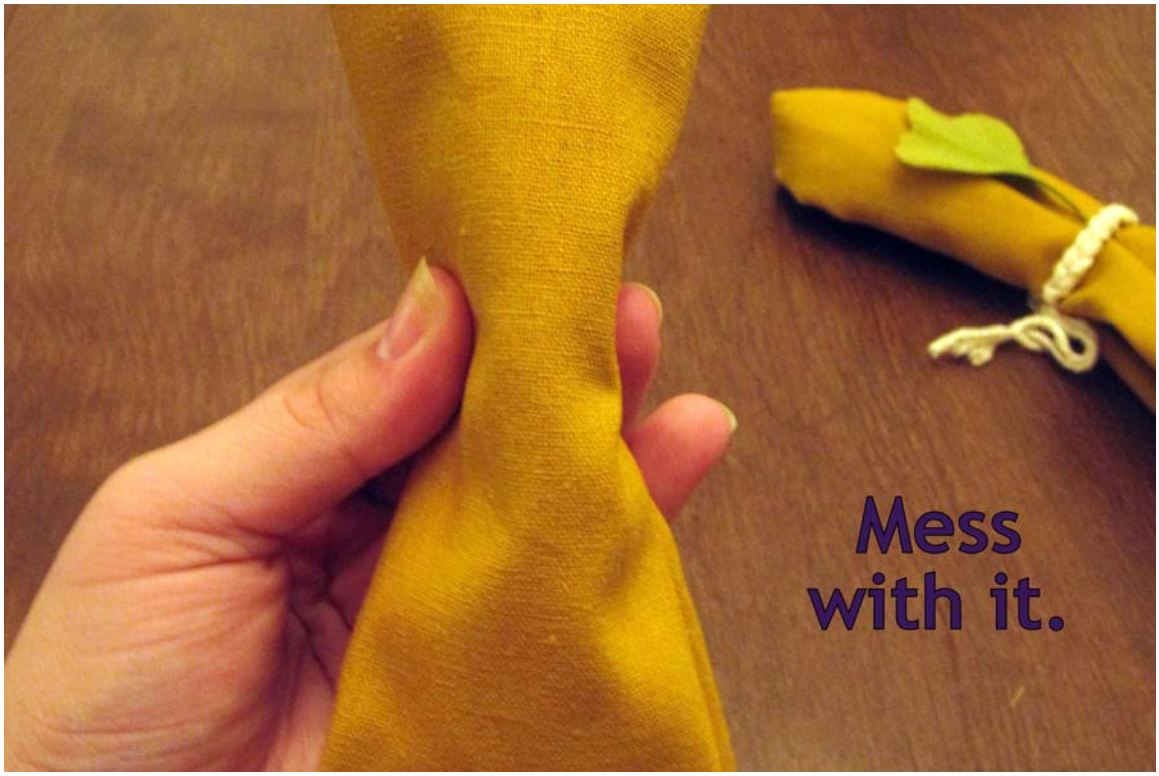

Roll up ...


& up ...


& up ...


a lovely napkin tube


Fold it in half


Mess
with it.




Tie.


Almost
done...


Perfecto.
And so
easy.