



Getting to Know: Molly

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Molly loves her DIY, individual style, and she always encourages you to add your own touch. This multi-purpose machine includes 25 built-in stitches including a 1-step buttonhole and a drop-in bobbin. With adjustable stitch widths, 6 included accessory feet and a needle threader, Molly can help you bring your ideas to life with your own unique spin.

This Getting to Know Guide will take you through a simple, step-by-step project that will help you familiarize yourself with your new machine. Refer to the Instruction and Reference Guide (packaged with your machine) for additional directions.

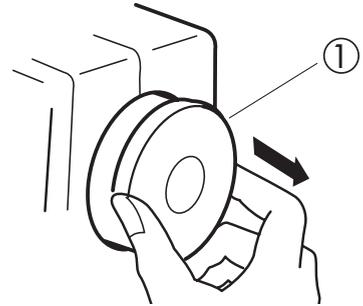


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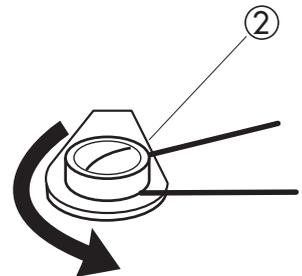


Winding the Bobbin

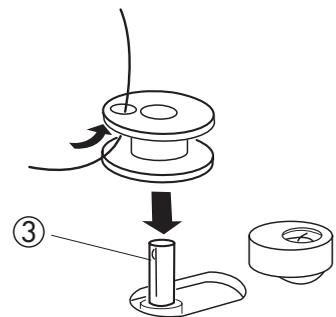
1. Pull the handwheel out to the right ①.



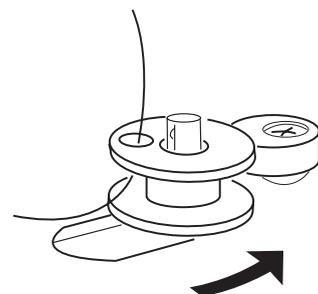
2. Draw the thread from spool. Guide the thread around the bobbin winder thread guide ②.



3. Insert the thread through the hole in the bobbin from the inside to the outside. Put the bobbin on the bobbin winder spindle ③ with the free end of the thread coming out at the top. Hold top of the bobbin winder spindle and rotate the bobbin until it clicks into place.

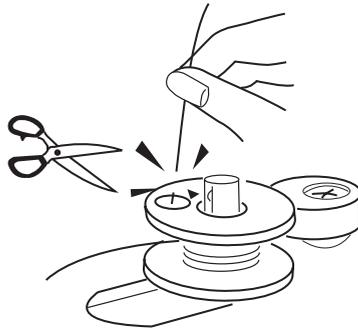


4. Push the bobbin to the right.

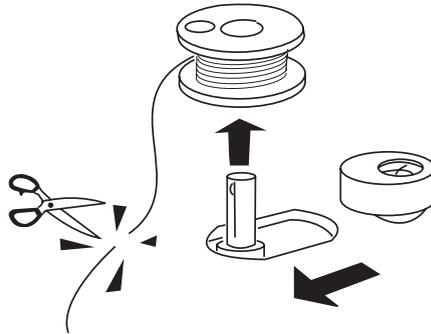




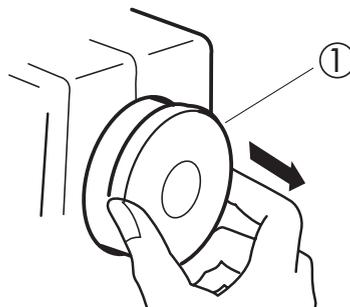
5. With the free end of the thread held in your hand, depress the foot control. Stop the machine when it has made a few turns, and cut the thread close to the hole in the bobbin.



6. Depress the foot control again. When the bobbin is fully wound, stop the machine. Return the bobbin winder spindle to its original position by moving the spindle to the left, and cut the thread.



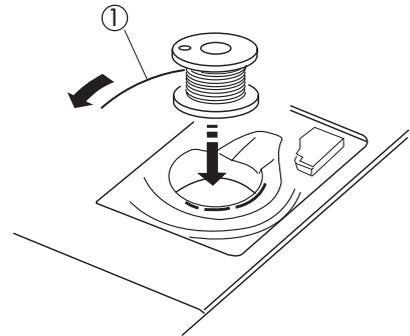
7. Push the handwheel ① in to the left (original position).



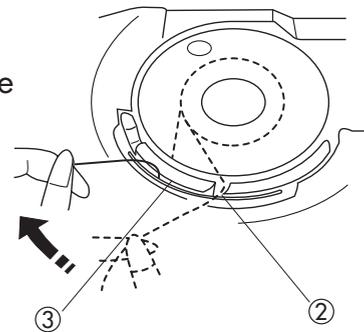


Inserting the Bobbin

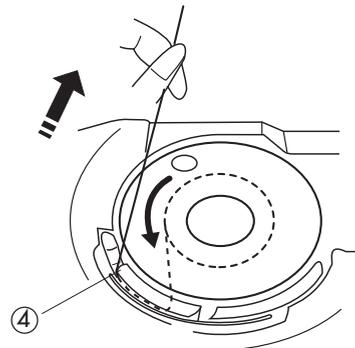
1. Place the bobbin into the bobbin holder with the thread ① running off as illustrated.



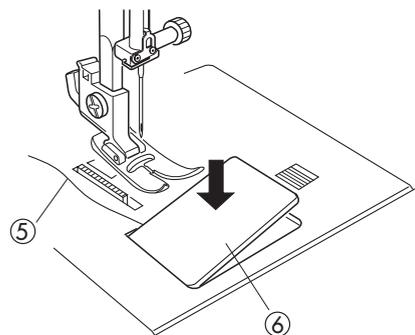
2. Guide the thread into the front notch ② on the front side of the bobbin holder. Draw the thread to the left, sliding it between the tension spring blades ③.



3. Continue to draw the thread lightly until the thread slips into the side notch ④.



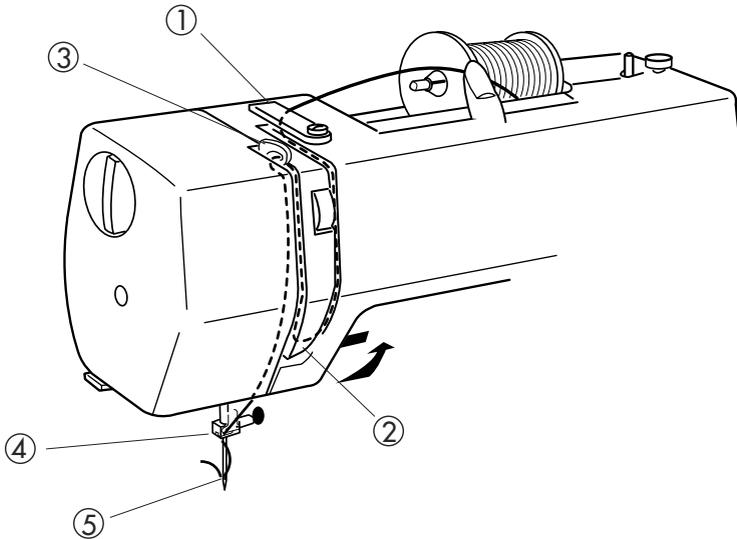
4. Pull out about 4" of thread ⑤. Attach the hook cover plate ⑥ by inserting the two prongs on left of hook cover plate into the openings. Lower the right side until it clicks into place. Check the threading by referring to the chart shown on the hook cover plate.



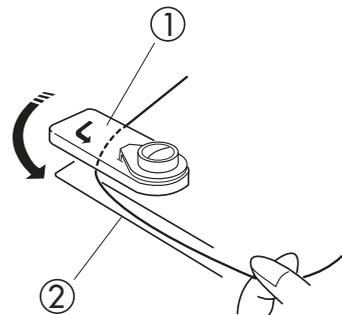


Threading the Machine

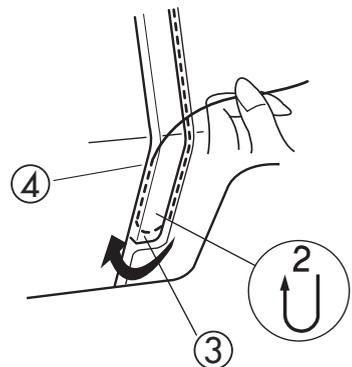
Raise take-up lever to its highest position by turning the handwheel toward you. Raise presser foot.



1. Draw the thread from the spool and pass it under the thread guide ①. Then draw it down along the right channel ②.

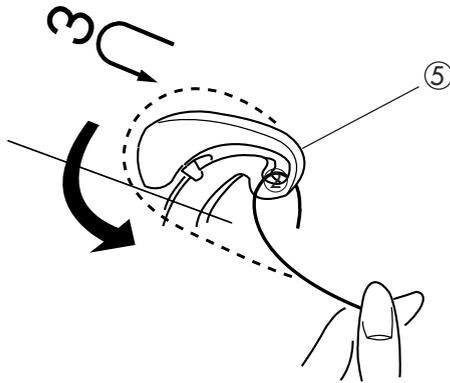


2. Draw the thread up around the bottom of the thread guide plate ③. Pull the thread up along the left channel ④.

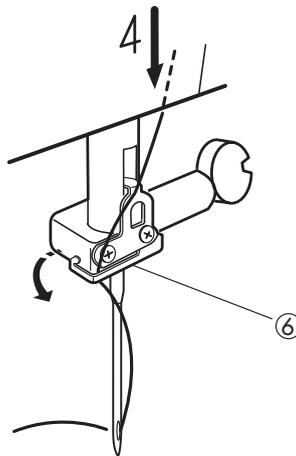




3. Firmly draw the thread from right to left over the thread take-up lever and down into the take-up lever eye ⑤.



4. Draw the thread down along the left channel and slip the thread behind the needle bar thread guide ⑥ from the left.

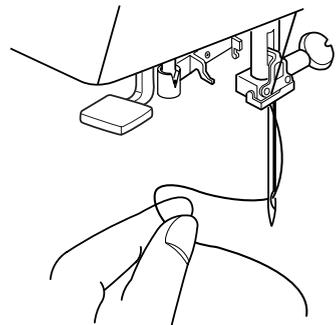
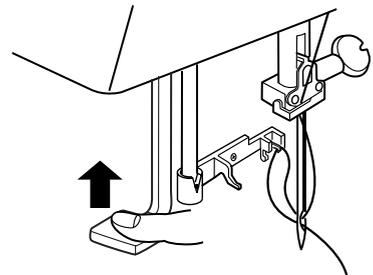
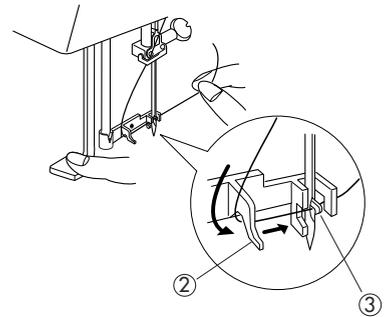
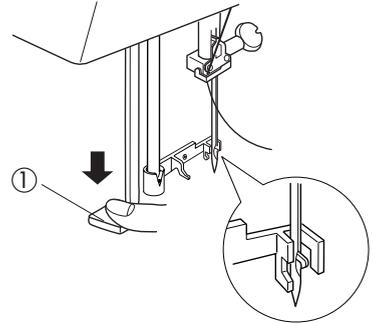


5. Pass the thread through the needle eye from the front to the back or use the needle threader.



Using the Needle Threader

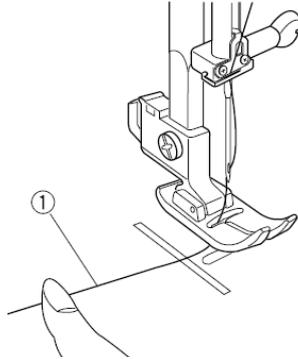
1. Raise the needle to its highest position and lower the presser foot. Push down the needle threader knob ① as far as it will go. The hook comes into the needle eye from behind.
2. Draw the thread from the left around the guide ② and under the hook ③.
3. Release the knob slowly while holding the thread end with your hand. A loop of the thread is pulled up through the needle eye.
4. Pull out the end of the thread through the needle eye.



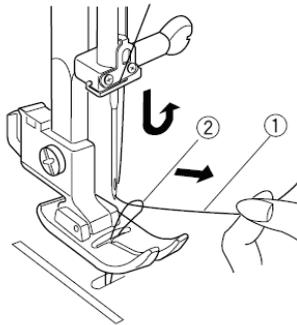


Drawing up the Bobbin Thread

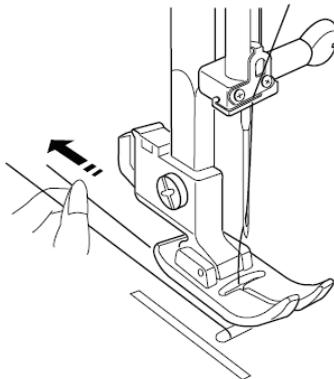
1. Raise the presser foot and hold the needle thread ① lightly with your left hand.



2. Turn the handwheel slowly toward you one complete turn. Bring the bobbin thread ② up by pulling the needle thread ① as illustrated.

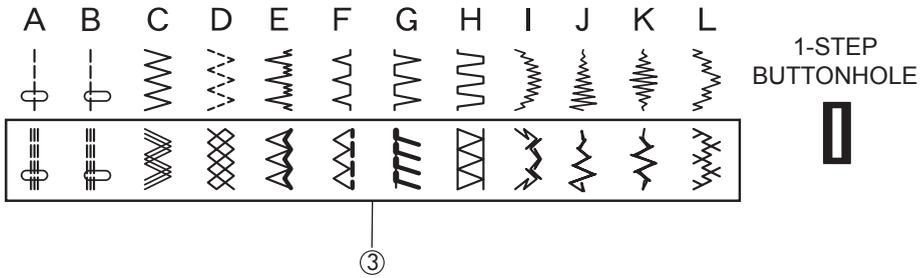


3. Pull 4" of both threads back and under the presser foot.



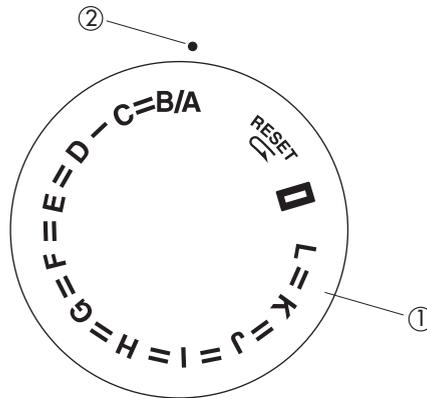


Selecting the Stitch Pattern



Pattern Selector Dial

1. Raise the needle to its highest position.
2. Turn the pattern selector dial ① to set the symbol of the desired stitch pattern at the setting mark ②.

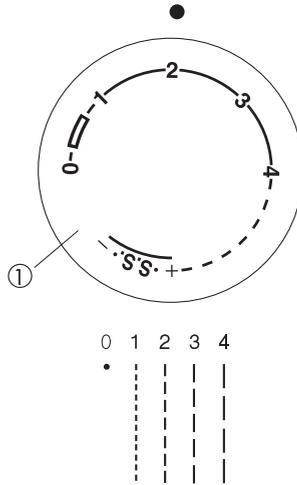


CAUTION: Do not turn the pattern selector dial while the needle is in the fabric, otherwise the needle may bend or break.



Stitch Length Dial

1. Turn the stitch length dial ① to set the desired stitch length number at the setting mark.
2. The higher the number, the longer the stitch.
3. The "□" mark shows the adjustment range when sewing the buttonhole.



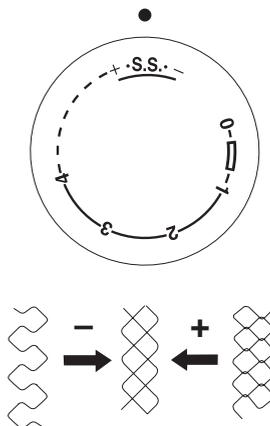
Adjusting stretch stitch balance.

To select the stretch stitch patterns, turn the stitch length dial counterclockwise past the 4 to the S.S. setting.

If the stretch stitch patterns are uneven when you sew on a particular fabric, correct them by turning the stitch length dial.

If the patterns are drawn out, correct them by setting the dial to the "-" side.

If the patterns are compressed, correct them by setting the dial to the "+" side.

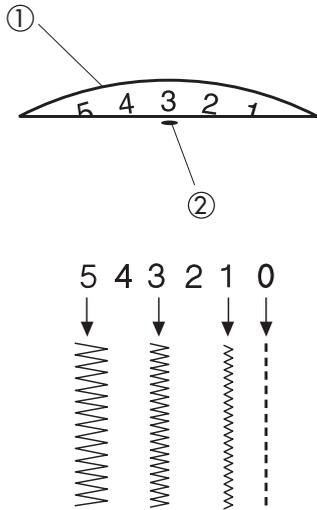




Stitch Width Dial

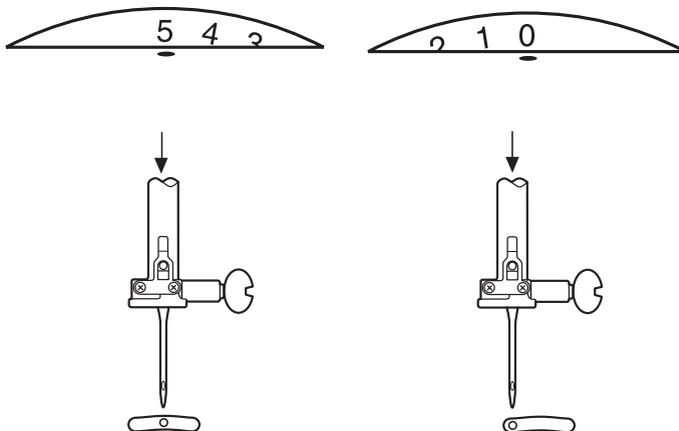
Turn the stitch width dial ① to set the desired stitch width number at the setting mark ②. The higher the number, the wider the stitch.

CAUTION: Do not turn the stitch width dial while the needle is in the fabric, otherwise the needle may bend or break.



Variable needle position

The needle drop position of the straight stitches can be moved between the center (5) and left (0) with the stitch width dial.





Starting to Sew

Straight Stitch Sewing

Machine settings:

Stitch pattern: A

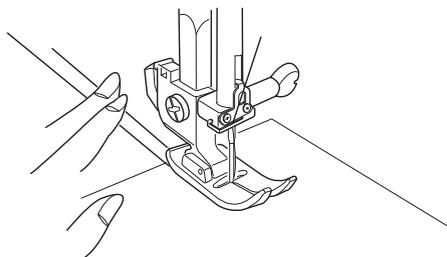
Stitch width: 0 or 5

Stitch length: 1.5 - 4

Thread tension: 2 - 6

Presser foot: Zig zag foot A

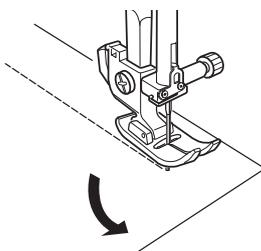
1. Raise the presser foot and place the fabric under the foot.



Lower the needle into the fabric. Lower the presser foot and smooth the threads toward the back. Depress the foot control.

To Change Sewing Direction

1. Stop the machine and turn the handwheel toward you to bring the needle down into the fabric.

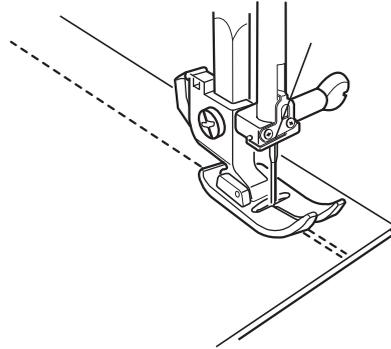


2. Raise the presser foot.
3. Pivot the fabric around the needle to change sewing direction as desired.
4. Lower the presser foot and continue sewing.

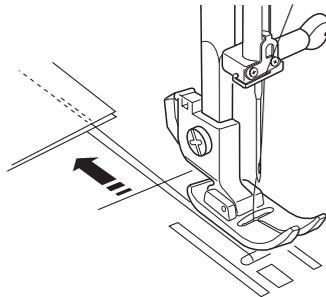


Finishing Sewing

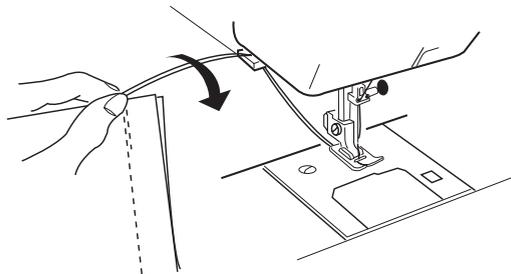
1. Press the reverse stitch lever and sew several stitches in reverse at the end of the seam.



2. Raise the presser foot and remove the fabric, drawing the threads to the back.



3. Draw the threads up and into the thread cutters. The threads are cut the proper length for starting the next seam.





Fabulous accent pieces are what give a room a designer look. Add an appliquéd pillow with a tiny bit of sparkle and watch the whole room light up!

Molly's Appliquéd Pillow

Supplies:

- Baby Lock Molly Sewing Machine
- 5/8 yard of 45" background fabric
- 5/8 yard of 54" large print fabric for appliqué
- 1/2 yard of paper backed fusible webbing
- 5/8 yard of 1" wide hook and loop tape
- Embroidery thread, kiwi green and purple
- Hot fix wand and hot fix crystals
- 20" pillow form
- Thread

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Select a design motif from the large print fabric. Fuse the webbing to the back of the motif. Cut the design out.
2. Cut an 18" x 18" square from the background fabric to be used for the front of the pillow.
3. Fuse the motif to the center of the pillow front.
4. Set the sewing machine for a zig zag stitch and shorten the stitch length to create a satin stitch with a width of 3. Stitch the entire outline of the motif.
5. Reset the machine to a wider satin stitch of 3.5, and a slightly shorter stitch length. Re-stitch over the previously stitched satin stitches. This will fill in and build up the stitching line.
6. Set the machine for stretch stitch "G" or a blindstitch, the length is 2.5 and the width is 4. Re-thread the machine with purple thread and stitch over the satin stitches.



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7. Select a layout for the crystals and fuse them to the appliqué, according to the manufacturers instructions.
8. Cut out the back of the pillow from the remaining large print fabric. It will be cut in two separate pieces to allow for the insertion of the hook and loop tape. First piece will measure 18" x 18" and a second piece 4" x 18".
9. Fold first piece (18" x 18") under 1 ½" along the width of the pillow back. Stitch one side of the hook and loop tape to the underside of the pillow along the folded edge.
10. Fold the second piece (4" x 18") under 1", along the width as well. Stitch the second half of the hook and loop tape to the right side of the fabric, along the folded edge.
11. Lay the two pieces of the back together and press the hook and loop tape closed. Baste the ends of the hook and loop tape together, through all the layers.
12. With the right sides of the pillow front and back facing, pin the fabric together. Stitch a ½" seam around the entire edge of the pillow. Trim the corners, for turning.
13. Open the hook and loop tape and turn the pillow right sides facing out.
14. Insert the pillow form and close the hook and loop tape.



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