

ALL ABOUT the buttonhole foot

Single or multiple buttonholes can be sewn with this unique buttonhole foot. The size of the buttonhole is determined by the actual button being used on the garment or craft. Once one buttonhole is sewn, duplicate same-size buttonholes can be sewn over and over again.

The button is dropped into the back of the foot (1) and the slide (2) is snugged up against the button to hold the button in place. A lever on the sewing machine is lowered behind a small pin (3) on the foot. The machine now knows the buttonhole foot is attached to the machine.

The foot (4) moves back and forth along the track and stops at the slide (2) to make an accurately sized buttonhole each time.

Most sewing machines include a variety of buttonhole styles specific to different types of fabric (e.g. knit or fine buttonholes) or the final use (e.g. bound or heirloom).

FOOT FACTS

The buttonhole foot is much longer than most presser feet and not a flexible foot. When sewing buttonholes on bulky, uneven surfaces it is essential to level the foot to achieve same-size buttonholes. Fold a piece of fabric the same density as the thicker area and slide it under the back or side to level the foot being careful to avoid the area where the button hole is to be sewn.

