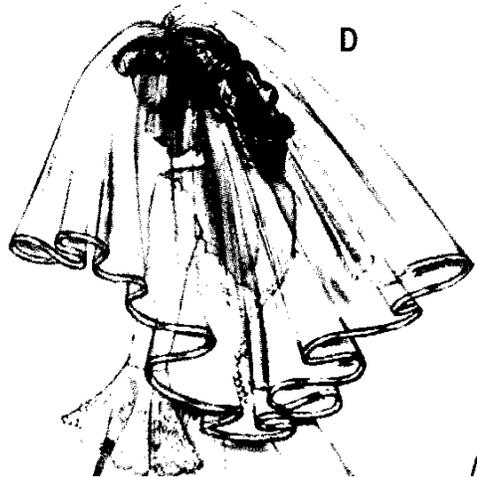


## Projects

### Wedding Veil with Serger Ribbon Trim

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With all the different combinations of a headpiece, tulle, and pattern views available, customizing your wedding veil can be the easiest part of planning your wedding ensemble. Serge the veil edge for a truly one-of-a-kind wedding veil that you will be proud to say, "Yes, I made it myself!"

#### **Skill Level: Beginning**

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#### **Supplies:**

Butterick Pattern B4487 - View D or similar pattern  
Baby Lock® Ellisimo Gold sewing and embroidery machine  
Baby Lock Evolution Serger  
1-3/4 yards of 108" wide sparkle tulle (consult pattern envelope for other fabric widths and proper yardage for your view)  
Headpiece with comb attached  
4 yards nylon cording  
1 cone of Madeira Aerolock Premium serger thread to match the color of your gown  
2 large spools of Madeira embroidery thread to match the color of your gown

## Serger Settings:

To create the veil as shown in the sample, Madeira serger and embroidery thread was used. If a different thread was used results can vary with a tighter or a looser look. For this veil, Madeira serger and embroidery thread was used with the following settings:

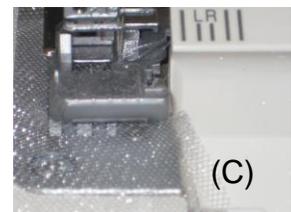
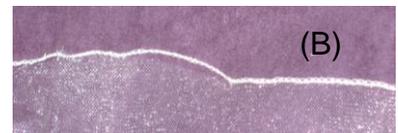
- Upper looper - Madeira embroidery thread
- Lower looper - Madeira embroidery thread
- Overlock needle - Madeira serger thread
- Width - 5.0mm (widest setting)
- Length - 1.0mm (Hint: Thicker thread will make the ribbon tighter, so you may need to increase the length setting to a larger number. If using thinner thread, decrease the length setting to less than 1.0mm.)
- Differential feed - N
- Stitch Selector - C
- Needle - O1 (Remove O2 right overlock needle)



Thread Madeira serger thread in the right overlock needle path; however after threading the last thread guide above the needle, thread the left overlock O1 needle. This will give a wider, cleaner veil finish.

## Sewing Tips & Pointers:

- Allow plenty of space to the left of your serger for fabric support.
- Feed fabric into the serger generously, do not pull or push your fabric.
- While serging, do not watch the needles.
- Watch that the fabric edge is always 1/8" to 1/4" to the right of the cutting blade, even when serging curves.
- If you find there are whiskers beyond the stitching, check that your width is set at the widest setting.
- If the stitching does not catch the edge of your fabric (B), be sure your width setting is set at the widest and your fabric support is in place so the fabric is not being pulled off to the left.



## Hemming the Veil Edge:

1. Stitch around the veil cutting between 1/8" and 1/4" from the edge (C).
2. After you have stitched completely around the veil and are back to where you began stitching, stop stitching and disengage the cutting blade. Stitch about an inch over the beginning stitches (D). Stop, turn the hand-wheel toward you to raise the needle out of the fabric, and raise the presser foot.

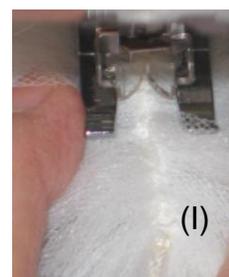
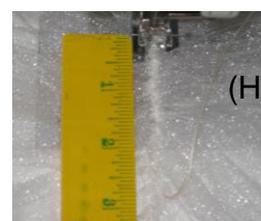
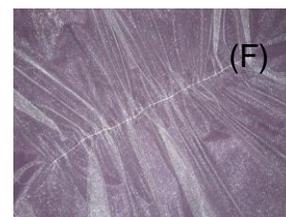


3. Carefully move the veil to the back so that the stitching comes off of the stitch finger.
4. Lower the presser foot.

5. Stitch a couple stitches to knot the thread.
6. Remove the veil and cut excess threads.
7. Now the beginning and ending stitches of your ribbon edge will be nearly invisible.

### Gathering the Veil:

1. Tie one end of the piece of nylon cording to a safety pin (E).
2. Transfer the gathering line from your pattern piece.
3. On your Ellisimo Gold, select stitch 1-03 with tie-off engaged. Stitch a straight line to show the gathering line on the veil (F).
4. Set up your Ellisimo Gold sewing machine to gather the veil with the following settings:
  - "N" presser foot
  - Stitch 1-09
  - Length 4.0mm
  - Width 5.0mm
  - Tie-off engaged
5. With the nylon cording on top of the veil at the gathering line, zigzag over the cord (G) till you reach the end of the gathering line.
6. Tie off and cut the zigzag thread. (Be careful not to cut the nylon cord or veil.)
7. Pull the nylon cord to gather the veil to the desired length according to the size of the headpiece or comb. The comb used in the sample measures 2-7/8" (H). (The safety pin at the beginning of the gathering will not pull through the zigzag stitching.)
8. Change the sewing machine settings to secure the gathering with the following settings:
  - "N" presser foot
  - Stitch 1-09
  - Length 1.5mm
  - Width 1.5mm
9. Hold the netting apart to expose the cording (I).
10. Stitch the new zigzag setting over the cording twice.
11. Confirm that the gathering is secured and then cut off the excess nylon cord.



### Attach Veil to the Head Piece:

1. Glue the right side of the veil to the outside curve on the comb with fabric glue.
2. After glue has dried, whip stitch the veil to the comb with white or invisible thread. The glue will hold the veil onto the comb, however stitching will just add an extra level of security.
3. Turn the comb over so no stitching is visible.
4. Slide comb into hair.

**Note:** Don't forget about the flower girl, junior bride, those celebrating their First Communion and the Halloween bride costume. Decrease the size of the veil, use the same techniques and the veil is perfect for little girls, too.

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