

## Ghostly Funky Chair Covers



This fun chair covers would be great to use on your dining chairs or reverse them and use them on your porch chairs. After you make this one; move on to the other friends in this ensemble. It will be sure to add some fun when greeting little trick-or-treaters!

**Skill Level: Beginner**

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### Supplies:

Baby Lock sewing machine  
 1/2 yard white fabric for each chair back  
 1/4 yard black fabric (for Frankenstein's hair and nose)  
 Steam-a-Seam (double stick fusible)  
 2-1"- 1 1/4" Buttons  
 2-1/2"- 5/8" Buttons  
 3 yards 7/8" Gross grain ribbon  
 1/3 yard extra large rick-rack  
 Marking pen or Sharpie®  
 Air Erasable Fabric Marker  
 Rule  
 Rotary Cutter  
 Small Scissors  
 All-purpose sewing thread to match fabric  
 Iron and ironing board  
 Hand sewing needle

## Instructions:

1. Using the selvage as a guide, trim the fabric for each chair back so the edges are clean and straight. Cut off the selvages and cut the length down to 36". The finished size should be approximately 17" x 36". The ruler and rotary cutter work great for this.
2. Trim one of the ends so it is curved at the bottom.
3. Fold the bottom edge under 1/4" and press. Fold under another 1/4" to edge finish the bottom.
4. Set the machine up for straight stitch sewing, using matching thread in the needle and bobbin. Stitch along the bottom, close to the top of the folded edge. Repeat these steps to edge finish the remaining sides of the chair back.
5. Following the manufacturers' instructions, press a 6" x 24" piece of Steam-a-Seam onto section of black fabric. Do not remove the paper backing. To make it easier to work with, cut this from the rest of the black fabric.
6. Draw a circle on to the paper to use for the nose from the black fabric.
7. From the extra large rick-rack, cut a 10" piece of rick-rack for the mouth.
8. Fold the chair cover in half like it would be on your chair. Place the nose where you would like it and press in place. Pin the rick-rack mouth below the nose.
9. Thread your machine with contrasting thread in the needle. Topstitch the nose in place 1/8" from the raw edge.
10. Change the machine to a zig-zag stitch with a stitch length and width set at 3.5mm. Stitch through the center of the rick-rack mouth.
11. Layer a small button on top of the larger button and sew on to the chair cover making the eyes.
12. Cut four pieces of ribbon, 24" each. Fold the chair cover in half again, like it would be on your chair. Fold under 1/2" on one end of each of the ribbons. Pin a ribbon to each side on the front and back of the chair cover.
13. Set up the machine for straight stitch sewing with matching thread in the needle and the bobbin. Attach the ribbons to the chair back sewing 1/4" from the fold.
14. Press these with light starch so they have a little body, tie them onto your chairs and get started on those costumes!

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