# **Two-Piece DIY Tree Skirt**

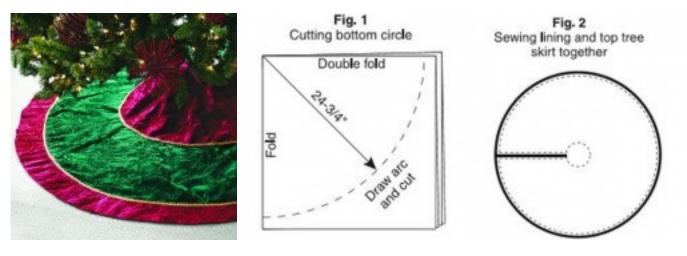
This clever two-piece DIY tree skirt has a green base piece. The tree stand rests on top of it and is hidden by a separate red piece.

## **Materials**



Two Piece DIY Tree Skirt

Use crushed velvet in colors of your choice to create this simple DIY tree skirt.



- 58-inch-wide woven crushed velvet-1-1/2 yards each of green and red
- 3 yards of 44-inch-wide coordinating fabric for lining

- All-purpose thread to match fabrics
- 7-1/4 yards of gold metallic braid trim
- Three hook and eye sets
- Quilter's marking pen or pencil
- Standard sewing supplies

## **Instructions**

#### **BOTTOM TREE SKIRT:**

- 1. From green velvet, cut a 49-1/2- inch circle. See Fig. 1.
- 2. From red velvet, cut a 52-1/2-inch circle using same tech nique as before. Then cut 3-112 inches from the outer edge of circle to make a 3-1/2-inch-wide red band.
- 3. Sew the red band to the outer edge of the green circle with a 1/4-inch seam.
- 4. From lining fabric, cut two 1-1/2-yard lengths. Sew long edges together with a 1/2-inch seam to make a piece that measures about 54 inches x 87 inches.
- 5. With right sides together, pin bottom tree skirt to lining fabric. Cut along edge of bottom tree skirt to trim excess lin ing fabric. Sew lining and bottom tree skirt together with a 1/4-inch seam, leaving an opening for turning. Turn tree skirt right side out. Turn raw edges in and hand-sew closed.
- 6. Pin braid on right side of bottom tree skirt, covering seam between green and red areas. Sew braid in place.

#### **TOP TREE SKIRT:**

- 1. Using same technique as before, cut a 26-1/2-inch circle each from red velvet and lining fabric.
- 2. With right sides facing, pin red top tree skirt to lining.
- 3. Use quilter's marking pen or pencil to draw a circle on the center of top tree skirt to accommodate the trunk of your tree. Draw a straight line from the edge of center circle to the out side edge of top tree skirt for the opening.
- 4. Referring to Fig. 2, sew lining and top tree skirt together around outside edge with a 1/4-inch seam. Stitch around marked center circle line. Stitch a straight line 1/4 inch from marked straight line on each side, leaving an opening for turning along one straight line. Clip into seams so seams lie flat. Turn tree skirt right side out. Turn raw edges of opening in and hand-sew opening closed.
- 5. Sew braid to outer edge of top tree skirt. Hand-sew hook and eye sets evenly spaced along each edge of opening.

**FINISHED SIZE:** Bottom skirt measures about 52 inches across. Top skirt measures about 26 inches across.

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