The Double Band

To create a "Double Band" you start with two contrasting fabrics, one is solid and the other a patterned fabric. Your first band on the bottom will be created from a piece of solid fabric that measures 2" wide and at least



10 1/2" long. Your top band will be 1 3/4" wide by 10 1/2" long. Use a low-heat iron to press these bands to get the measurements just right because you want the bottom band to be a little wider than the top band. For the bottom band, fold under one side of the solid fabric 5/8" and then fold the other side 1/2", making your band 3/4" wide. For the top band, fold one side under 1/2" and the other side just a little more than 1/2", making your band 5/8" wide.

Center and place the raw edge of one end of the bands at the top of your ornament, just a little left of the center fold line as shown in the photo above. Secure with 3 pins. Pull your bands around the center of the ball, making sure you keep the bands as straight as possible, centered between your triangles. Don't pull the bands too tight, because the fabric and pins



underneath will cause it to look lumpy from the side view. You want your band to be smooth. When you have pulled the bands around the ball, extend the other edge of the 2 bands a little past the center line. Secure with three pins and trim the excess material.

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