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A flat felled seam is the type of finish you see on at least one of the leg seams of ready to wear jeans. Industrial equipment takes all the work out of these seams, but they are easily duplicated at home. Sharp scissors and an iron are your trick ingredients, to create a smooth professional seam, along with your sewing machine and straight sewing skills.

How To Create Flat Felled Seams



Place the wrong sides of the fabric together to form your seams. Use a standard 5/8" seam allowance.

Press the seam open from both sides of the fabric. Trim off 1/2 of one edge of the seam allowance.



Press under the wide seam allowance edge so that it almost meets the seam line.

Press the folded edge of the seam allowance over the trimmed edge. Using your pressure foot as a guide, topstitch near the edge that you pressed under. Be sure to stay on top of the folded seam allowance and an even distance from the original seam stitching.

