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# HOW TO USE A SINGERCRAFT GUIDE

A SINGERCRAFT GUIDE is a metal strip having a slot through which you can stitch. Thread, yarn, braid or fabric strips are wound on it and stitched. There are extensions to be added so that a wider winding can be made; this is illustrated below in **F**. An instruction sheet is packaged with each craft guide when you buy it. A few favorite winds of our own are shown below.

In **A** you see how the guide is held under the presser foot while a wind of yarn is stitched in place on a rug of simple design. At **B** is shown how mercerized crochet cotton is wound in alternating colors around the guide, to make a fringe for a gingham or Indian Head luncheon set and napkins. In **C** we show how several strands are wound at one time. To do this take, say, five balls of cotton and bring one end of each up and begin winding all at once so that they do not overlap at any point. This is a very good way to wind for rug-making.

At **D** is shown how strips of silk stockings, that have been cut as previously directed, are wound on the guide. These make attractive rugs, especially if several tones of tan and beige stockings are used. Men's brown and navy socks may provide darker colors. Knitted underwear may be tinted or Rit-dyed and used with stockings when large rugs are being made.

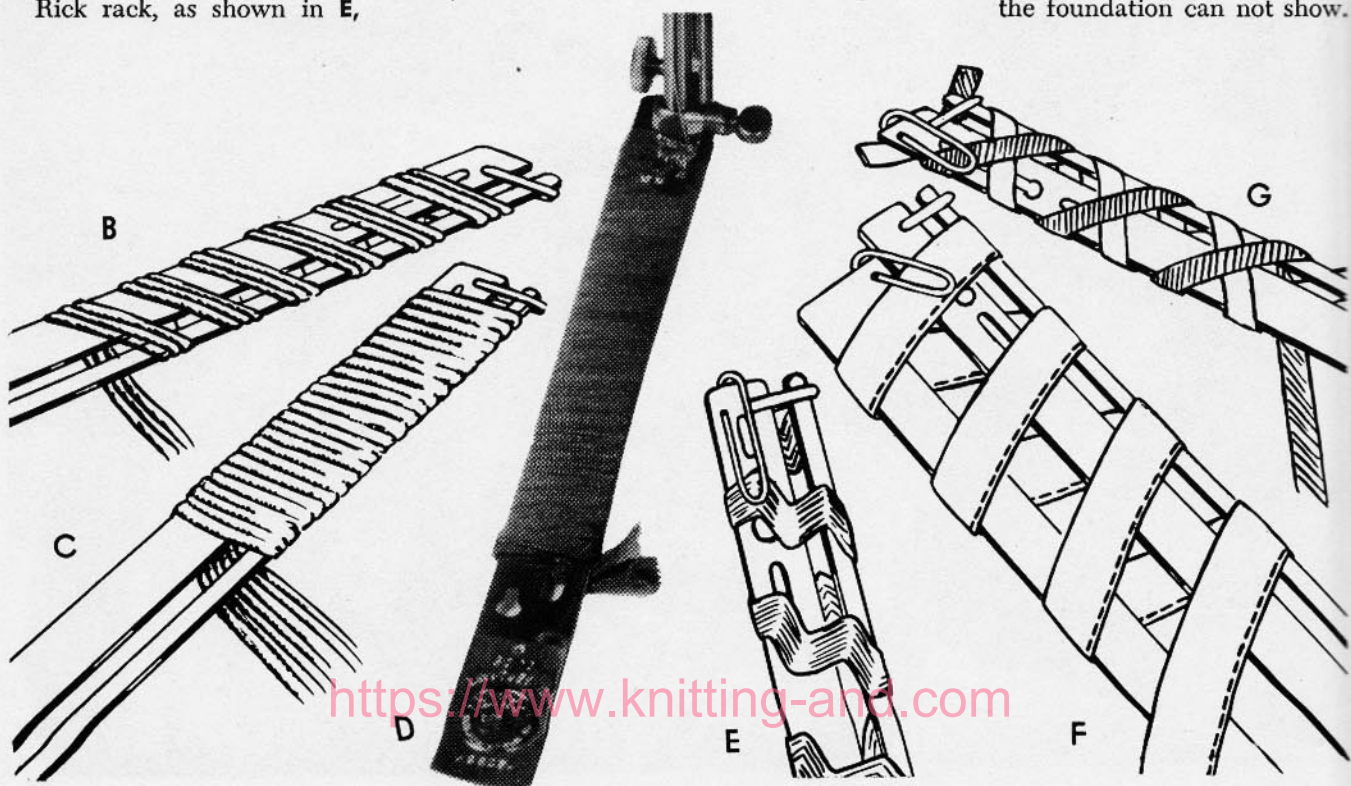
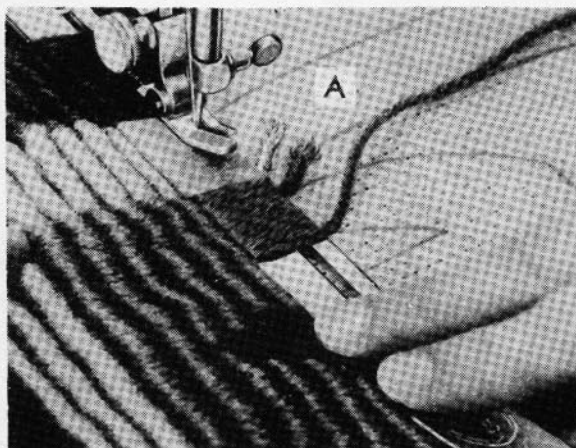
Rick rack, as shown in **E**,

makes attractive trimming for curtains, especially for small windows. It is ideal to use on luncheon sets and napkins and on towel ends.

In **F** we show bands of fabric—with the raw edges turned in and the edges stitched together—wound on the guide. This may be used to edge curtains, draperies, table covers—so many things. Fabric may be glazed chintz or gingham, velvet or brocade; the principle is as good for one as the other. At **G** is shown how two lengths of bias trim, folded edges stitched, are clipped to the guide at one end and crisscrossed to give a latticed effect. This, like the rick rack, makes a practical trimming, especially for lawn and organdy curtains or cotton luncheon and breakfast sets.

For many other winds and for exact instructions for using this guide, refer to the instruction folder that came with the guide. All the rugs shown in this section and all the household articles were decorated with windings done on this simple strip of steel. It is a practical tool and one you will use year in and year out because it speeds the doing of attractive work.

Make as many yards of winding as you require, then attach it on edges as you would a braid or fringe. Apply to rugs in rows—placing each row close to the preceding one so that the foundation can not show.



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