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EC70-472 Woven-In Patch

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The woven-in patch is sometimes called reweaving or invisible mending. It is suitable for loosely woven woolens or other fabrics with thick fibers and heavily textured weaves. This patch is particularly good for use in areas where the bad spot is small and a darn or a regular patch would be conspicuous.

The patch must be of the same fabric as the garment. It can come from the hem, inside of a pocket or the facing of the garment.

1. Mark a square around the damaged area with a pin at each corner. Use a ruler if necessary for straight measurement along the grainlines. Allow about 3/4 inch around each side of the snag or hole to insure a strong patch. Using the pins at the corners as guides, clip one thread on each side of the square. Pull out the thread. This square will form the area for weaving in the patch.

A loosely woven, heavily textured woolen can be rewoven without pulling the threads. It is essential, however, that the grainline be observed as the patch is woven in.
2. For the patch, cut a square 3/4 inch to 1 inch larger on each side than the outlined square on the garment. Fray the edges of this patch until the center square exactly fits the outlined square on the garment.

![Image](image1)

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3. Place the patch over the damaged area on the right side of the garment. Check to be sure that the outlines of the squares and the grainline or patterns match. Pin securely. Baste the patch in place if the fabric slips easily.

![Image](image2)

3. Right Side Fabric
4. Using a fine crochet hook, draw the frayed ends of the patch through the pulled thread line of the square. Hold the frayed ends taut on the right side with the thumb. With the crochet hook protruding from the wrong side, catch one thread at a time and pull it through the outline mark to the wrong side.

5. The frayed ends will appear on the wrong side of the garment when the patching is completed. Secure the patch on the wrong side around the damaged portion and around the square patch with a tiny whip stitch.

Steam press both sides of the garment patch.