



CAT KENNEL CURTAIN

Kennel curtains help lower the stress of anxious cats and shy cats that aren't yet comfortable around humans.

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Fabric (*See Step 1 for details.*)
- Sewing machine
- Thread
- Iron
- Scissors

INSTRUCTIONS:

STEP 1: CHOOSE FABRIC

- Kennel doors come in two sizes: 35 inches by 35 inches or 51 inches by 30 inches. Choose a lightweight, breathable fabric that is at least 50% cotton, can be machine washed with bleach, and does not need to be ironed. Darker colors or fabrics with a pattern work well, whereas fleece does not.

STEP 2: MEASURE & CUT FABRIC

- Measure your fabric to the size of the kennel, adding one inch to each size for seam allowance.

STEP 3: IRON THE FABRIC

- Fold the edges of the fabric in half an inch, and iron all the way around. Repeat, folding in about half an inch, so there is a nice finished edge with no loose threads.

STEP 4: SEW THE CURTAIN

- Sew the edges of the fabric all the way around.

STEP 5: NEXT STEPS

- Curtains can be dropped off during regular business hours. For a listing of center hours, visit irvineanimals.org.
- The Irvine Animal Care Center often uses binder clips to attach the curtains. Donations of medium binder clips along with the curtains are appreciated.
- As an advanced project, the curtains can be given sewn-on ties that are long enough to make a bow at each corner (about 10 inches in length), or make a button-tab for each corner. Please no velcro; it's too noisy for our frightened casts.

