

Cuddle Covered Storage





with lace trim

Whimsy Couture

Looking for a unique way to store those messy items in your home or craft room? Try this "Cuddle Covered Container." This project features fabrics from Spice Market, a Shannon Studio Collection[™]. To view the complete range of fabrics, visit <u>www.shannonfabrics.com</u>.

With just a few steps you can transform pretty much any box (cardboard or plastic) into a cute Cuddle covered container! I chose a cardboard box from an office supply store which came with a lid. For my project I didn't need the lid but you can certainly cover one if you like.

You want to do this project in a very well ventilated place, or even better, outside!

List of required materials:

- Cardboard or plastic box/bin
- Cuddle fabric (enough to cover your box)
- Spray adhesive
- Lace (enough to edge your box on the top and all 4 corners)
- Scissors
- Glue gun

Here is my cardboard box:



This is the spray adhesive I am using:



Some cute Cuddle fabric, I used SPICE MARKET SPICE GODDESS BASIL, shown here:



Best lace to use is non-ruffled and at least 1" wide:



Assemble your box and spread out the Cuddle fabric with right sides down. Place your box into the center:



Fold all 4 sides of Cuddle fabric up and let them reach over the top edges at least 0.5"-2" to make sure you have enough to cover the box. Adjust the sides to make them equal. Pay attention to the print direction to make sure it is sitting correctly on the face side of your box:



Unfold the fabric from the box. Turn the box with underside up and cover the outside bottom with spray adhesive. Place box back onto your fabric which still needs to be with right sides down. Then cover one side of the box with spray adhesive and refold the fabric back over it making sure it lays flat without any wrinkles or creases. Press fabric onto the box with your flat hand. Repeat with the remaining sides:



Once all 4 sides of the box get covered, turn your box upside down and trim off the excess with your scissors. Cut carefully along the dashed lines making sure not to cut into the box:



Repeat with all corners.

This is what your box looks like now:



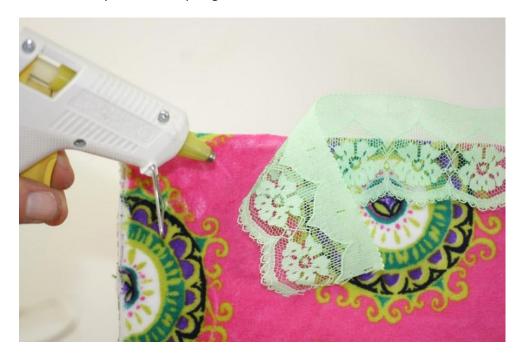


Turn box with right side up and trim off the fabric excess along the box perimeter as shown:

At this time double check all cut edges around the box to make the fabric is glued on. Touch up with spray adhesive as needed.

To glue on your lace to conceal the cut edges, preheat your glue gun.

Have your lace ready how you want it to be glued on about half way reaching over the top edge. Once your glue gun is fully heated, apply a small amount of glue to the upper edge of your box for the first 7-8". Put the glue gun down onto a safe spot and place the lace onto the glue. Be careful not to burn your fingers while pressing the lace down onto the glue. Apply more glue for the next few inches and continue until your entire top edge of the box is covered with lace:



Once you reach the end, trim off the lace with 1 inch "seam allowance." Apply the last drop of glue to the allowance and press it on. This is how your lace looks now:



Turn your box on its side and apply glue to the inner side and fold the lace over the top edge. Press it on. Repeat all steps above to apply the lace also to the corners. This is now your finished box:



Make a matching lid if desired and you'll have a beautiful customized storage box for anywhere in your home!

Design example with a lace bordered lid:



(Cuddle fabric shown from the Robert Kaufman Cuddle Collection: Fly Away by Amy Schimler, In Bloom Blush, style number 4rkcinbloomblush)

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