

# Espadrilles

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## How to Make Espadrilles

### Supplies and Tools:

- Dritz® Espadrilles Products
  - Sole
  - Outer Fashion Fabric
  - Lining Fabric
  - Stabilizer Fabric
  - Creative Yarn
  - Sewing Notions - Pins, Needles, Needle Puller, Point Turner, Yarn Wax
- Dritz® Disappearing ink marking pen
- Sewing Machine
- Basic sewing supplies
- Iron and pressing surface

### Directions:

1. Cut out the appropriate size pattern. Layer outer fabric and lining, right sides together. Pin pattern to both layers and cut out.



2. Mark ease circles. Flip toe pattern to wrong side. Pin toe and heel to fabric layers for second shoe and cut out.



3. Cut out two heel stabilizers. Center and fuse to wrong side of heel linings.

Heel stabilizer improves fit of shoe



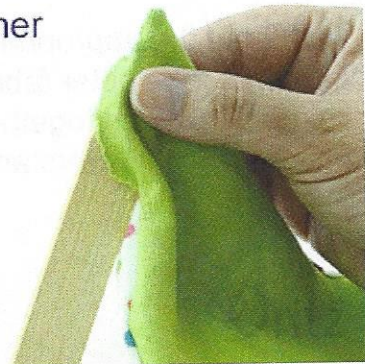
4. Pin around edge of toe and heel pieces. Stitch with a 3/8" seam, keeping about 2" open at outside edge of toe and lower edge of heel. Trim seams, keeping full seam allowance width at openings.

Trim seam allowances



5. Turn shoe pieces right side out. Use bamboo point turner to push out corners.

Use point turner to push out corners



6. Push opening seam allowance into shoe pieces. Press with iron. Stitch near edge to close. Topstitch at edge of heel, if desired.

Stitch openings closed





7. Mark lining side of toe, 5/8" from inner edge. Align short ends of heel with marks and pin.

Mark line for end of heel



8. Topstitch across straight edge of toe. Stitch again 1/4" from stitching to reinforce heel to toe. Label left and right toes with masking tape.

Stitch toe & heel together



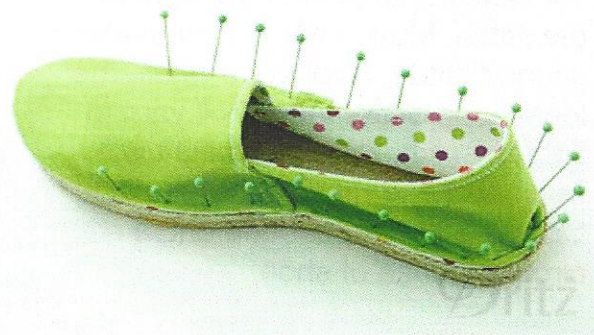
9. Pin mark center of heel and center back of sole. Align pin marks and pin shoe to sole by stabbing pin through fabric and into the sole.

Start pinning at heel



10. Slightly stretch fabric around the heel and continue to pin fabric around the sole until you reach the ease marks on either side.

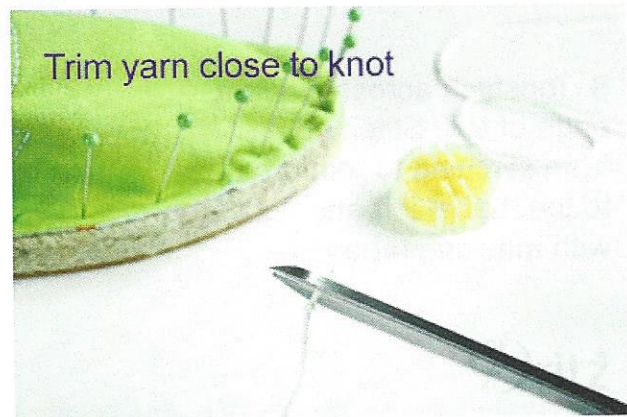
Pin shoe to sole



11. At ease marks, pin every  $\frac{3}{8}$ " allowing the fabric to arch up between pins. Pin around toe. It may be necessary to readjust pins to distribute the fabric evenly.



12. Cut yarn length per instructions and run through wax a few times. Pressing waxed yarn with an iron will help to make yarn smooth and knot less. Knot one end and trim yarn close to knot. Thread other end through needle eye.



13. For blanket stitch, insert needle into the sole about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " down from edge at outside joint between heel and toe. Come straight up through fabric about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " in from edge of fabric and sole. Pull yarn to snug knot into jute.

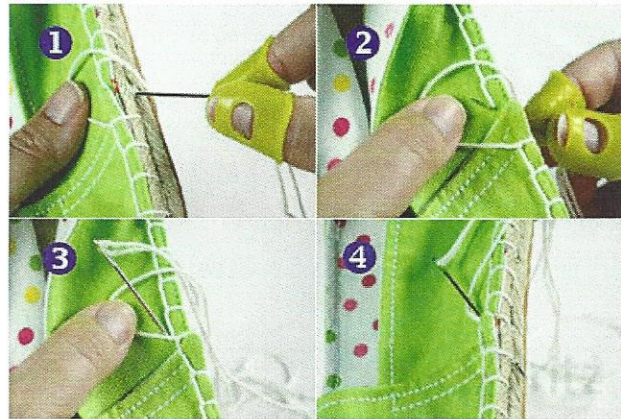


14. Hold loose yarn to the right of the stitch. Move over  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and take a second stitch, coming up within the loose loop of the yarn. Pull yarn to tighten stitch. Hold stitch tight with free hand and make another stitch. Continue to work around entire circumference of shoe.

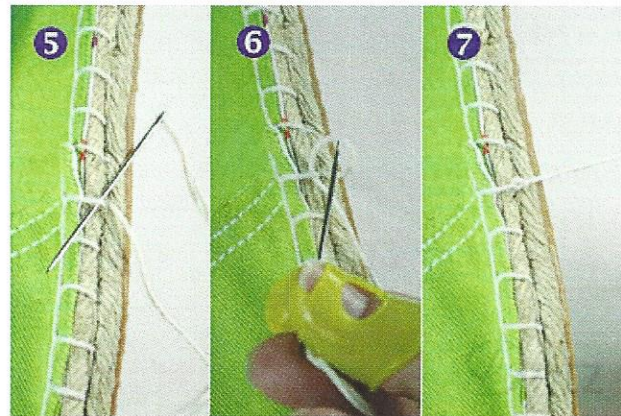




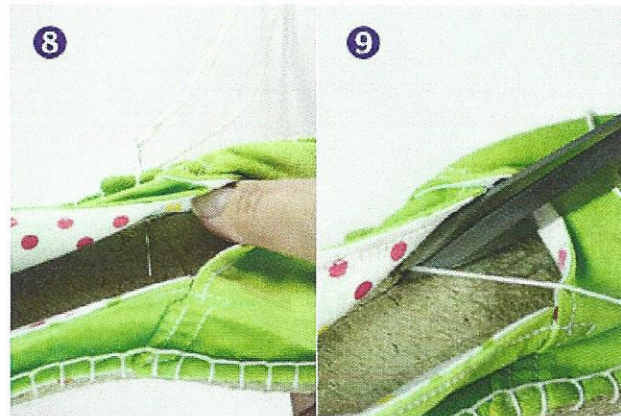
15. Finish off yarn by taking the last stitch right next to the knot (1). Come up in the same place as the first stitch (2). Insert needle down into the fabric on the other side of the first stitch (3) and come out at one of the adjacent stitches (4).



16. Take a small stitch around the blanket stitch (5) and back through the stitch loop (6). Pull yarn to secure (7).



17. Poke needle back into the jute and come up in the inner sole (8). Pull yarn tight and cut close to the sole (9).



They're ready!



