

# Rowley project list: **Grommet Panel for a Sliding Door**

Making a grommet panel is really no different from making a pinch pleat panel, with the exception of how you finish the header. Fabric is generally figured at 2x fullness. Grommet headers are a great way to bring a hard and soft feel to the same treatment and allow fullness even when closed. With the incorporation of Grom-a-Links, spacing can be controlled and batons can be attached for ease of function.



## MATERIALS & SUPPLIES

### Rowley Products

- AriA Fixed Pole
- AriA Elegant Egg Finials
- AriA Turned Brackets
- #12 Grommets
- #12 Grom-A-Links
- 4/32" Micro Welt Cord
- Fringe Adhesive
- 4" Translucent Woven Buckram
- #6 Metal Bead Chain
- #6 Metal Bead Chain Connectors

### SKU

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## GROMMET PANEL FOR A SLIDING DOOR: STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

Our project door measured 71 1/2" W x 79 5/8" L to the floor. We wanted to hang the rod 3" above the door frame and have 1/2" clearance at the floor. The panel finished at 144" W (flat) x 84" L (body split at 79" with a 5" header). AriA™ hardware was used in Oil Rubbed Bronze to coordinate with the header and inset banding fabrics. Grom-a-Links were added to the back for spacing and to the front leading edge for a baton. And, finally, micro-welt cord was used to accent the inset banding and the header.

## Cutting and Prepping the Fabric:

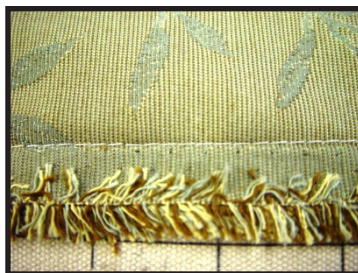
- 1** Cut three widths of face fabric at 88" L, making sure to match patterns.



- 2 Cut three widths of lining at 89"L.
- 3 Cut three widths of front header at 7"L. Join, matching patterns as needed.
- 4 Cut three widths of back header facing at 11"L. Join, matching patterns as needed.
  - A. The front and back header pieces are out of the same contrasting fabric and are measured to allow for a 1" seam allowance.
- 5 Cut the inset banding at 7"W x 88"L (allowing for 1" seam allowances). Join, matching patterns if needed.
  - A. The inset banding was cut out of the same contrast material as the header pieces.
- 6 Cut and make enough micro welt cord to cover twice the cut width and twice the cut length plus a few extra inches.



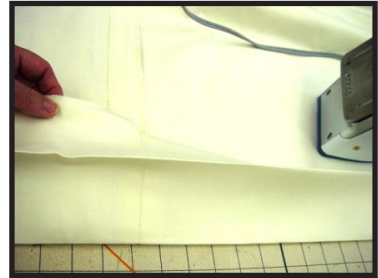
- 7 Sew the three face pieces together, matching patterns. Press the seam flat.
  - A. Photos show widths glue-basted together for a perfect pattern match.



- 8 Sew the three lining pieces together. Press the seam open.
- 9 On the face, fold in and press a 4" double bottom hem and double 1 1/2" side hems.
- 10 On the lining, fold in and press a 3" double bottom hem.

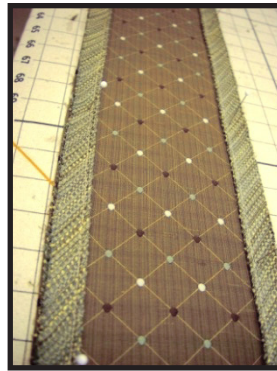
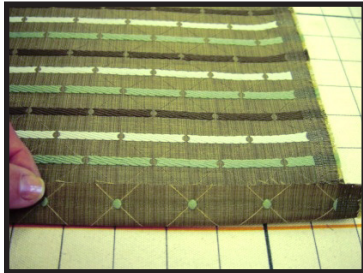


**11** Close the face and lining hem using your preferred method.

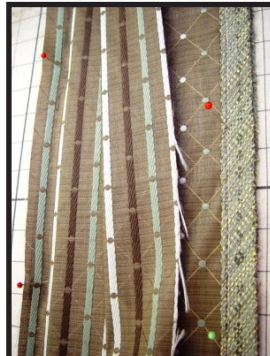


## Making the Header and Inset Banding:

- 1** For the inset banding, turn under and press 1" on both long sides.
- 2** Glue-baste welt cord to face of both long sides, laying the welt seam on the 1" press line.
- 3** Sew on welt.

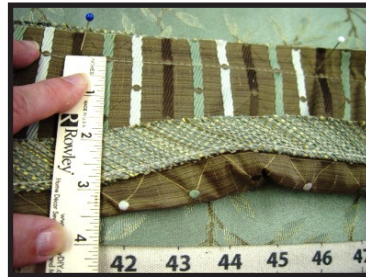


- 4** For the front header piece, turn under and press 1" along both long sides.
- 5** Glue-baste welt cord to face of both long sides, laying the welt seam on the 1" press line.
- 6** Sew on welt.
- 7** Glue-baste the back facing to one long side.
- 8** Sew front header to back facing.

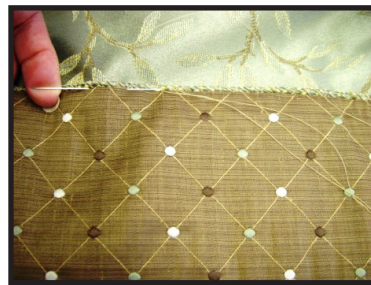
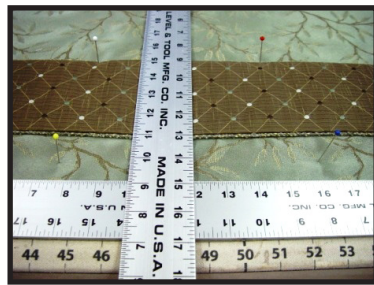


## Placing and Attaching the Inset Banding and Header:

- 1 Place the panel fabric face up on the table and the inset banding, face up, on top of that, so that the banding's leading edge is aligned 4" in from the face fabric's leading edge.
- 2 Open the banding toward the leading edge and pin to panel fabric.
  - A. The welt seam meant to be closest to the leading edge should be 4" in from the leading edge.



- 3 Pin well. Sew in place.
- 4 Flip the banding closed, making sure the pattern is running square.
- 5 Either stitch-in-the-ditch to close or hand close.



- 6 Sew the header/facing piece to the top of the body so that the 5" header joins the face fabric.

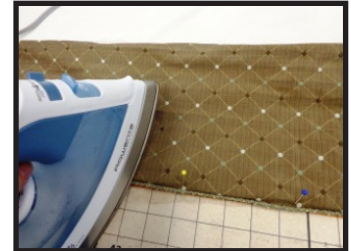
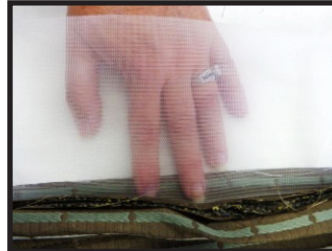
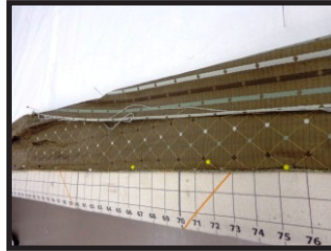
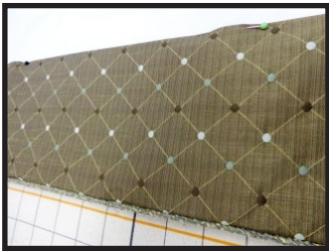
## Finishing the Panel:

- 1 Table the panel face down, squaring the bottom hem and one side hem.
- 2 Unfold the side hem.
- 3 Lay the lining in, face up, so that it lays 1" up from the bottom face fabric hem.
- 4 Refold side hem, being sure to complete the hem up through the header and pin.
- 5 Pin all widths and layers well. Move the fabric across the table as needed and repeat for the opposite side hem.

- 6 Close the side hems using your preferred method.
- 7 Add drapery weights to the corners and joining seams.



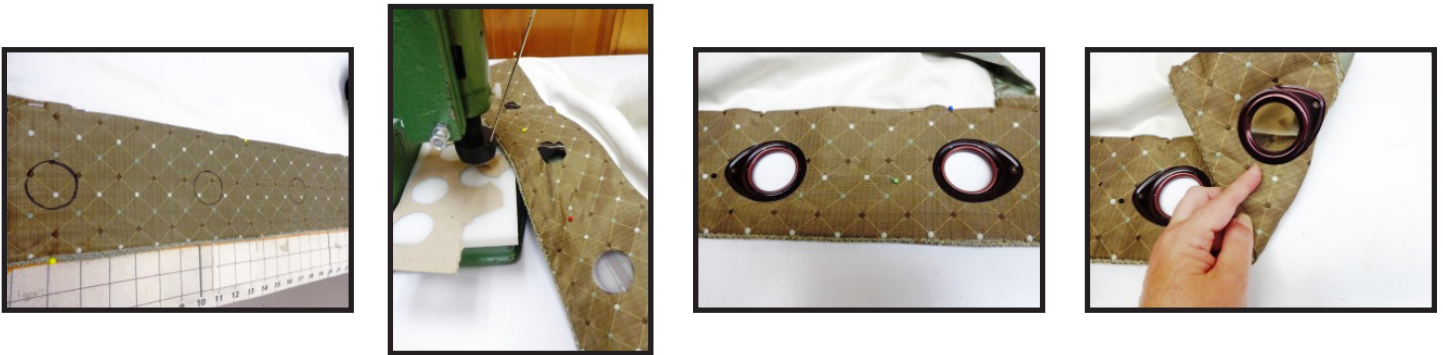
- 8 With the panel laying face down, pin the top of the panel to the table.
- 9 Fold the 10" facing under to form a double-folded 5" header.
- 10 Iron to set crease.
- 11 Open the header and slip in a width of buckram.
- 12 Refold header. Pin.



## Marking, Cutting and Setting Grommets:

- 1 Mark grommet spacing on back of header.
  - A. Mark the placement of the two return grommets, divide remaining space by number of spaces. Mark at measurement. You should have an even number of grommet marks. Each mark will be the center of a grommet.
- 2 Cut holes for grommets.
- 3 Set the grommets.
  - A. Use a Grom-A-Link as the back washer for all grommets, making sure each pair of grommets has a Grom-a-Link facing outward.
  - B. The leading edge grommet will also have a Grom-a-Link placed behind the front face of the grommet for attachment of a baton.





**1** Attach each pair of Grom-a-Links with a 4" – 6" piece of #6 bead chain, securing the chain ends with chain connectors.



**2** Attach the baton to the front leading edge Grom-a-Link.

