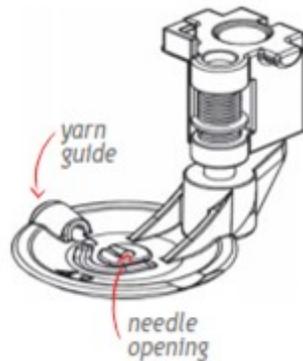


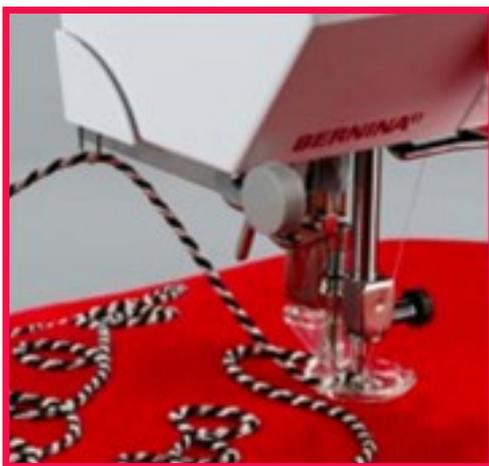
Freemotion Couching Foot #43

Couching is an embellishment technique where a cord or yarn is stitched to the surface of fabric to add color and texture. Originally a hand technique, it has been adapted to the sewing machine. Freemotion Couching Foot #43 holds the cord in place for stitching and with the feed dog of the machine lowered, allows the freedom of movement to follow any design, motif, or pattern.

The base of the foot is larger than most freemotion feet; this, combined with the "cupped" sole, allows the foot to slide easily over the uneven surface created by couched cords. The cord is fed through a guide (included with the presser foot) on the side of the machine and then into the opening on the left side of the foot, and finally down into the hole in the center of the foot. This places the cord under the needle where it is straight stitched in place.



Included with Freemotion Couching Foot #43 is a guide that attaches to the left side of the machine and holds the cord up as it feeds into the foot. The guide can be attached at the first use and left in place for future use.



Tips for Using Freemotion Couching Foot #43

- Attach the guide to the machine the first time the foot is used. The guide can remain on the machine without interfering with other sewing.
- Foot #43 is a straight stitch, center needle only tool. Any other stitch will cause the needle to hit the foot and break.
- Combine freemotion couching with other fun techniques such as felting and appliqué.
- Stitch embroidery designs digitized as outline designs using 2mm cord and Foot #43.



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