

## Pinch Pleat Panels with Grommet Accented Leading Edge

Easily transform a simple pleated panel with a unique leading edge with grommet details for style and interest.



### Materials & Supplies

#### Rowley Products

Straight Edge Ruler - 72" Long

Scissors

Whyte & Ivory, Hampton Cotton

Interlining

Whyte & Ivory, Cambridge Napped

Sateen Lining

John James Hand Sewing Needles

Lead-Free Drapery Weights

R-TEX Pressure-Sensitive Adhesive

Buckram - 3/8" Wide

Fabric Stapler

Fabric Stapler Staples

Magnetic Staple Remover

Brass Square Grommets - #12

Grommet / Button Press

Curved Scissors - 4"

Grommet Setter - #12

Drapery Pins

#### SKU

[MR26](#)

[CU22](#)

[LNW10/](#)

[LNW48/](#)

[TP118](#)

[SW37](#)

[BNP34/T](#)

[WW70](#)

[WW71](#)

[WW72](#)

[GQ12/](#)

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[CU4/C](#)

[GL12/SQ](#)

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#### Other Materials Used:

E6000 Leather / Fabric Glue

## Pinch Pleat Panels with Grommet Accented Leading Edge: Step-By-Step Instructions

Find out how to take a pinch pleat panel from basic to beautiful in this how-to guide. As a bonus, discover tips and tricks for advanced pattern matching.

## Preparing the Pieces:

- 1 Cut face fabric widths as needed and join, making a perfect pattern match at the join seam.



- 2 Fold in a double 4" bottom hem. Press.
- 3 Add drapery weights at the join seams.
- 4 Close hem using your preferred method.





- 5 Cut and join interlining widths as needed. Serge bottom hem.
- 6 Cut and join lining widths as needed. Fold in a double 3" bottom hem. Iron and hem.

## Laying out the Panel:

- 1 Lay face fabric face down on the table, aligning bottom hem with one side of the table for squareness.
- 2 Lay interlining on top of face fabric, laying it 2" above the bottom hem of the face fabric.
- 3 Lay lining, face up, on top of the interlining so the tops of the face and lining hems are the same.
- 4 Fold in double 1 ½" side hem on the return side. Press.
- 5 Add a drapery weight at the bottom corner and close using your preferred method.
- 6 On the leading edge side hem, staple all layers together for now.

## Adding the Grommet Leading Edge:

- 1 Lay panel on table so face is up and leading edge is along one long side.
- 2 On the leading edge, measure in for first row of grommet placement. Be sure you have enough fabric to the outside for the side hem so that the hem will not run through the grommets. This will be a wider than usual hem.
- 3 Add for double side hem.
- 4 Trim away excess and un-staple layers.
- 5 Fold back interlining and lining.



5 Mark for grommet placement.



6 Trace around inside of each placed grommet then cut the face fabric circle only out with small sharp scissors.



7 Set grommets on a diamond, assuring placement is accurate to pattern motif.



8 Cut a small square the size of the grommet, out of leather.

9 Align each small square with the grommet and glue in place, gluing just around the round part of the opening.



10 Let dry overnight.

11 Replace interlining and lining and fold in side hem.

12 Close using your preferred method adding a drapery weight in the bottom corner.

## Finishing the Panel:

- 1 Table for finished length. Fold over top at finished length and press.
- 2 Trim to 8". Fold under a double 4" header. Press.
- 3 Add a row of buckram to the folds. Refold and pin or staple.
- 4 Mark for pleats and spaces.



- 5 Sew in pleat seams.
- 6 Fold in pleats and tack.
- 7 Add a drapery pin to the back of each pleat.

