

# Embellish a Skirt Using Large Dritz Grommets

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When we saw these large plastic grommets from Dritz we knew exactly how to utilize them! Building on looks that Cynthia Rowley sent down the runway for spring 2011 featuring large circular cutouts on skirts, dresses and tops, we decided to take that same idea but add the large grommets for extra effect. We think the results are pretty fantastic and can't wait to use this quick and easy technique as a finishing touch for loads more projects and pieces!

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## Step 1 — Pick Out Your Skirt



Start with your skirt, it can be handmade or store bought (we found this simple a-line skirt at H&M). We recommend fabrics that are a little on the stiff side so you don't have to worry about them pulling and

stretching as you move. We chose a solid black skirt, but this would also be a fun addition to a bright colored or patterned skirt as well.

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## Step 2 — Other Materials You'll Need



Along with your large plastic grommets and stencil from Dritz, also make sure to grab markers or a fabric pen, a measuring tape, and scissors.

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## Step 3 — Lay Out Your Pattern



Start by arranging your grommets on the skirt in your chosen pattern. We chose to make a slightly geometric shape but you could play around with different ways to arrange the grommets on your garment. Use a measuring tape to help keep your pattern even and level.

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## Step 4 — Marking



Once you've got your pattern, make sure to mark where they are. We used a marker to outline the grommet on the skirt, then used the Dritz template to mark where we needed to cut. Since the skirt was black and the marker didn't show up very well, we used fabric chalk to make an x inside each grommet circle to provide an extra visual guide.

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## Step 6 — Cutting and Applying Grommets



Start by cutting out the first circle that you marked using your grommet template. Take the bottom part of the grommet that has the raised lip on the inside and insert it underneath the fabric so that the lip sticks through the cutout. Make sure there is no extra fabric hanging over the lip.

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## Step 7 — Snapping Grommet into Place



Now take the top part of the grommet, which has a series of small plastic teeth inside, and snap it directly on top of the bottom grommet.

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## Step 5 — The Grommets



We're using super simple grommets from Dritz. These are so great because they literally snap together so there's no need for extra tools or super-human strength to apply them.

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## Step 8 — Continue Cutting and Applying Grommets



Continue cutting out your marked circles and snapping in your Dritz grommets.

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## Step 9 — Finishing Up



Once you've finished, make sure all your grommets are snapped on securely and voila! Because these grommets are snapped on, be careful when you launder your garment - hand wash or dry cleaning is probably best.

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