

# MEMORY STITCH FOR DRAPERY PANEL HEMS

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In this presentation we will show you how to prevent lining and face fabric from separating. It is so annoying when the two don't move together after the panel is installed. It also makes our job easier to control the layers when fabricating multiple width panels.

The solution is a very simple loop stitch between the lining and the face fabric at the hem line and between the layers.

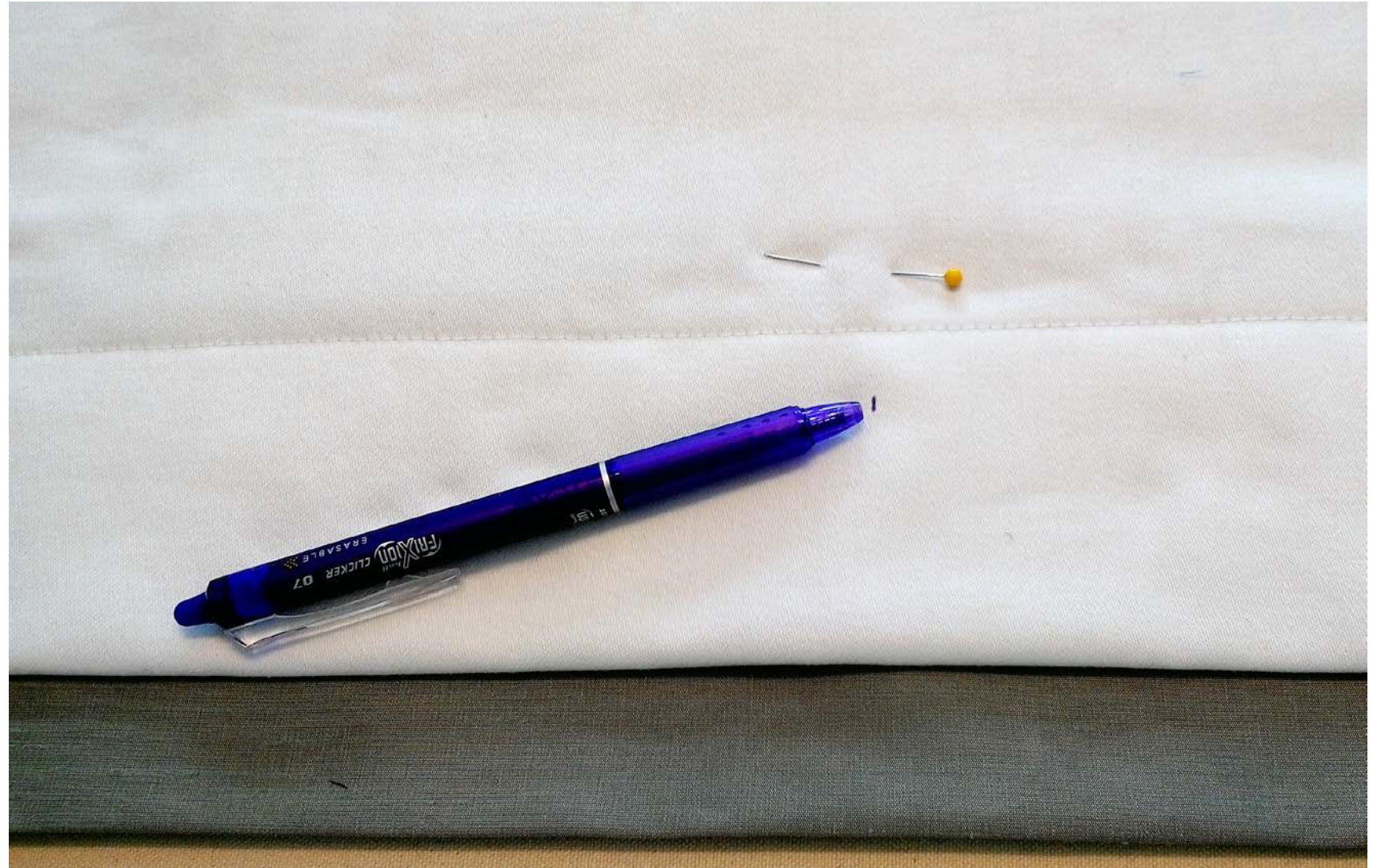
This also works with interlined panels as well. You will do a separate memory stitch for each layer.

For clarity I have used a contrast thread. Normally I use white upholstery thread because it is strong and I have a lot of it. Any strong thread will be fine.

The memory stitch is done after the lining and face fabric is tabled together and before the panel is moved.

Mark the center of the space up at the header and in the corresponding location at the bottom hems as shown in The Neat Pleat Drapery Control System presentation. You can also make as many loops as needed.

We will continue from there.

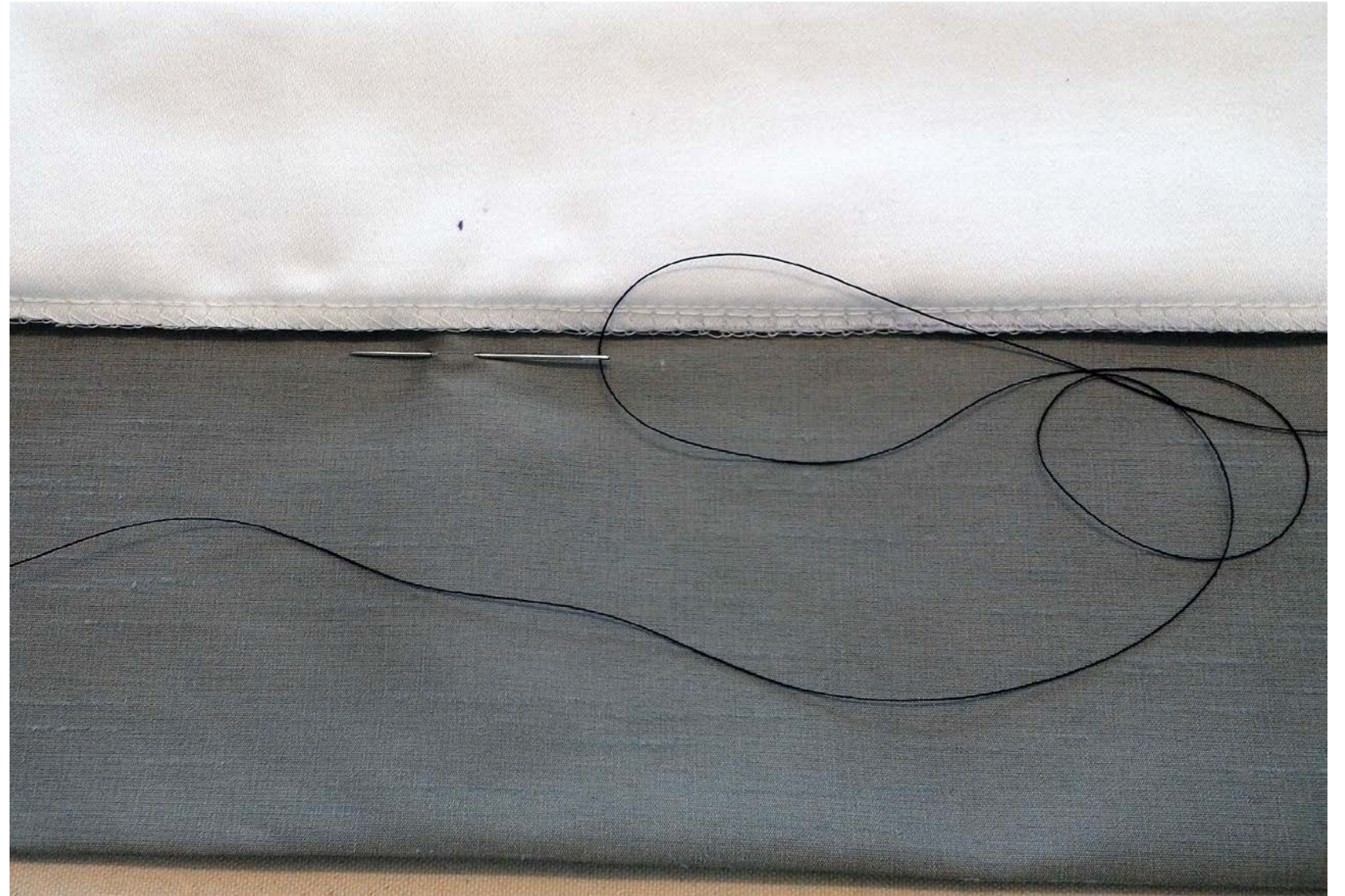




Fold up the bottom hem at the hem line.

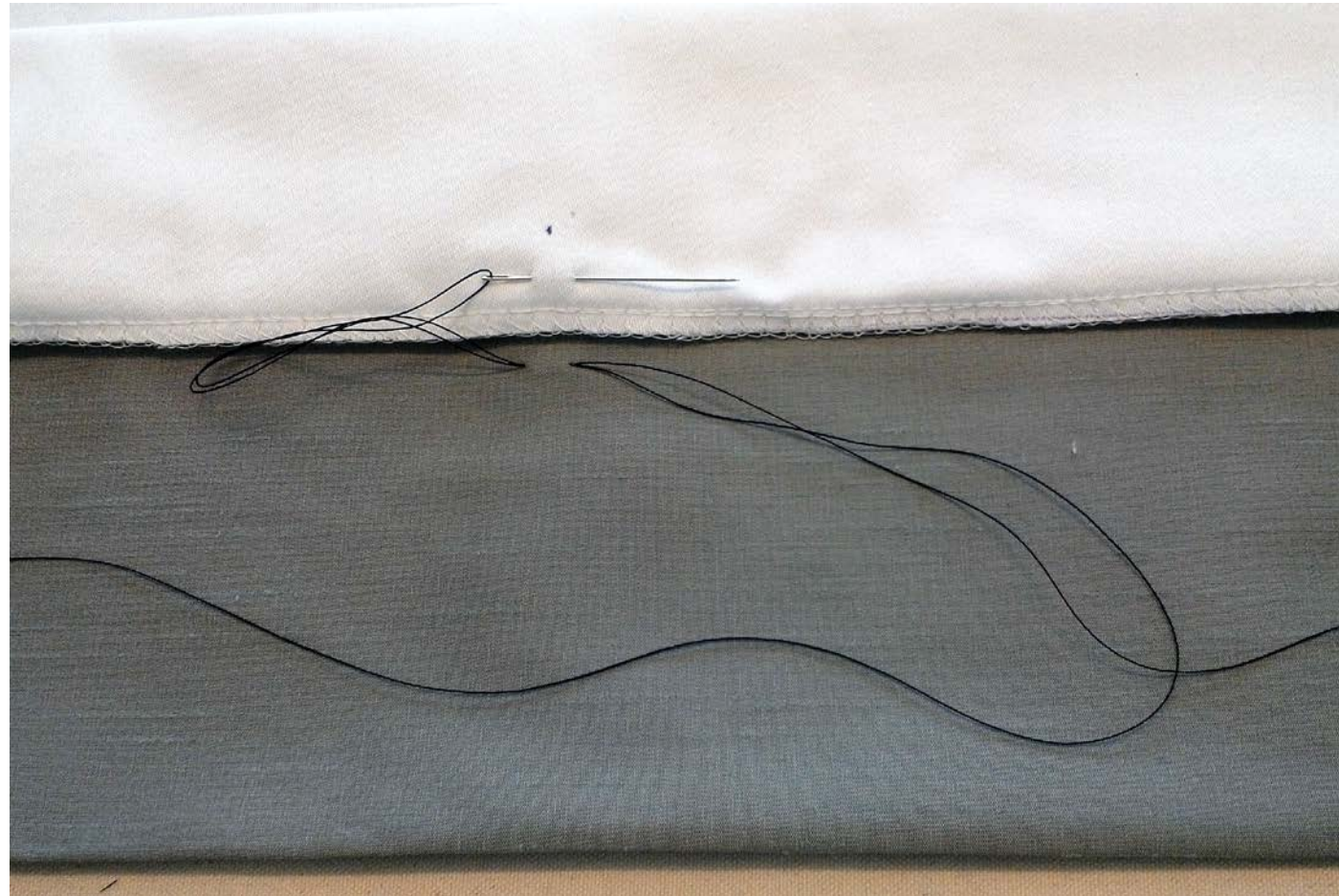


Run your needle through the top layer of the face fabric hem. Do not go through to the front of the fabric.





Bring your needle up and run it through one layer of the lining hem.



Cut the thread off at about 4" to 5" or enough to easily hold and tie a knot. The loop should be about 2.5" to 3" long. The loop will be just big enough to keep the layers from separating and moving freely. The loop should not be too tight and cause the fabrics to bunch up or so loose that the loop hangs down past the hems.





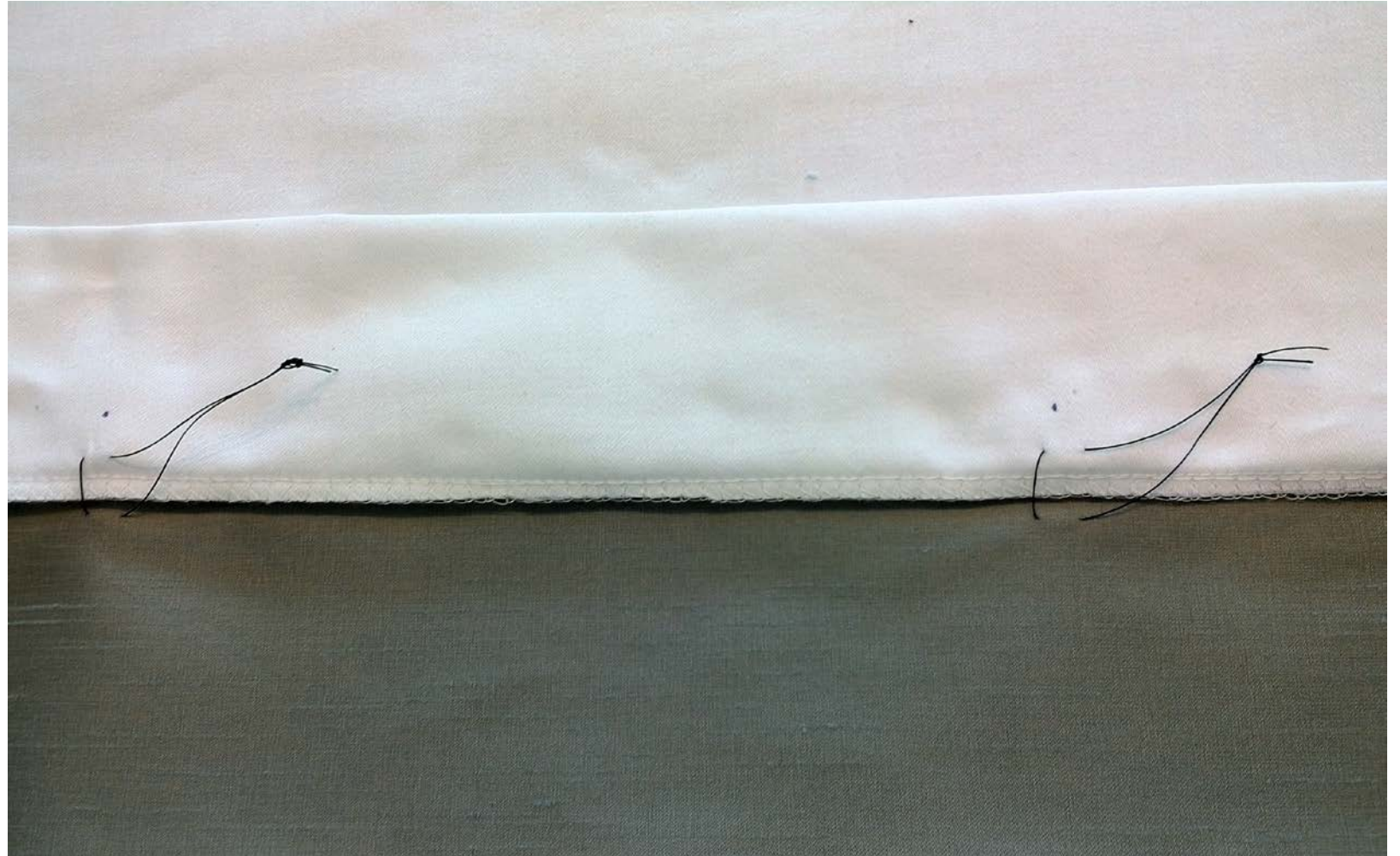
The completed memory stitch.





Two memory stitches in a row.

When all of the loops are done, fold down the lining hem and you are ready to move on to the next fabrication step.



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