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Singer pixie plus craft machine

The Singer Pixie Plus, despite its small size, is quite similar to larger sewing machines in its complex functionality. Its predecessor, the Singer Pixie Plus features a sturdier design ideal for use in both craft projects and regular sewing. The main difference between the Singer Pixie Plus and larger machines is easier function accessibility, which is especially helpful for learning to use different types of stitches. The Singer Pixie Plus can be especially positive for people experimenting with sewing for the first time, and it works the same as the Pixie. jeans. the background. image by Taiga from Fotolia.com Things You'll Need: Scissors Machine Needle Pre-Wound Bobbin Fabric Spool Of Thread Plug the machine's electrical cord into a wall outlet. Do not turn the machine on yet. Place the pedal on the floor. Loosen the screw located at the right of the needle shaft. Place the needle into the shaft with the sharp point facing downward, then tighten the screw to hold the needle in place. Locate the large adjustment wheel on your right. Turn the wheel toward you until you have lifted the needle shaft. Place the spool of thread on the spool pin at the top right corner in back of the machine. Guide thread through each of the threading points, which are clearly marked with small arrows. Place the end of the thread through the hole in the needle and pull gently until about 5 inches' worth has passed through the hole in the needle and pull gently until about 5 inches' worth has passed through the hole in the needle and pull gently until about 5 inches' worth has passed through the hole in the needle. Place the wound bobbin inside, then close the bobbin case. Flip the speed switch at the bottom right of the machine to select fast or slow. For delicate fabrics, choose slow. For less delicate fabrics, fast may be a good option. Turn the front center adjuster knob to select from the eight stitches shown at the front right of the machine. Place fabric underneath the needle to the left. Use the guides below the needle to determine the appropriate seam allowance, then align the fabric accordingly. Lower the presser foot. Turn the knob until the needle rises and the top thread has caught the bobbin thread. Place your foot on the pedal and apply gentle pressure. Use your hands to guide the fabric under the needle, being careful not to push or pull. Press the reverse lever located at the lower right of the machine from the pedal. Lift the presser foot lever. Cut top and bottom threads with scissors, then remove fabric. © 1996-2014, Amazon.com, Inc. or its affiliates 18 reviews The SINGER Pixie Plus runs on either AC power or four AA batteries (not included). I grew tired of hemming my sweatpants by hand so I decided to purchase the Singer Electronic Sewing Machine Pixie-Plus. I didn't know too much about sewing machines at the time, but I knew enough to understand that the manual was useless. It didn't explain clearly how to install the bobbin and it took me about 45 minutes just playing around with it to get it in correctly. Once I had the bobbin in place and the needle threaded the pedal wouldn't work. After trying to get the pedal to work for several minutes it mysteriously started to hem one pant leg and it came out great. When I started on the second leg the machine started to jam and the thread would bunch up. I couldn't figure out what was going wrong so I removed everything and put it back together. Once reassembled everything started to work again and I was able to hem my second pant leg. The next time I wanted to hem a pair of pants the sewing machine wouldn't turn on. I tried different outlets and it still didn't power on. I decided to return the Singer Electronic Sewing Machine Pixie-Plus because it was too much trouble to operate. kingoftheink Westchester, IL 2014-10-14 false This machine has very few features. It is quite small, which is a good thing because that is what it was designed for. However, this limits it's usefulness as far as quilting or other large or bulky projects are concerned. It feels cheap (which it is) with very un-refined mechanisms. It just doesn't operate smoothly. Stitch Performance The stitches aren't always even, though it does work well enough for a beginner. Ease of Use This machine is quite easy to use. In fact, the primary user was my 9-year-old daughter. She was able to practically teach herself how to use it. Fabric Handling It seemed to work quite well, though sometimes it would gather up seams, especially upon first beginning to sew. This could quite possibly have been a tension issue. Versatility The machine is very basic with few features. For this reason, it is not recommended for sewers who are doing large or complex projects. It is extremely light and easy to transport, however. Design It's quite cute and compact. I did not like that you had to turn the light on by hand, though. Every other sewing machine I've ever had illuminates the work area whenever the machine is on. Because of this, I had a hard time telling if it was on or not. Durability Most of the projects seemed cheap and probably won't last long. They are made of plastic, particularly the bobbin winding mechanism. I was pretty afraid to use it, because it just looked like it would break. The other problem is the plug. It broke/bent VERY quickly and wouldn't stay plugged in so that the machine kept turning off in the middle of seams. My husband was able to fix it, but it never worked quite right. aleahj USA 2013-12-29 false I am not a "seamstress" of any type! I just needed a machine for little small projects. I make little headbands for my daughter, and I've made several Halloween costumes that required a little bit of sewing. For these small craft projects, this machine has worked great. I got it at a very low price, so I had nothing to lose really. It is a good speed, sews smoothly and works great in my small space. It is easy to set up and use right out of the box for small projects I would definitely recommend it. kmlake Crocker, MO 2012-12-18 true Please take this review with the reviewer in mind. I am NOT an experienced seamstress. I have very little experience with sewing. My daughter received this machine as a birthday present. I was really excited for her as she has been wanting to learn to sew for a long time. I realized later that this machine is labeled as a craft machine and I really wasn't sure what that meant. I believe it to mean that it isn't meant for large jobs but for embellishing crafts, scrapbooking, etc. My daughter is in love with this machine for various projects, but we have only used the normal straight stitch so far. The machine cannot handle very thick fabric, so it is best to work with lightweight things. AmyKipping Bethel, MO 2012-01-18 true I got this little machine- actually the Pixie Plus - primarity to alter clothing since I have lost a lot of weight and want to keep as many of my old clothes as possible. It was very inexpensive, cute purple trim color, lightweight, and easy to use though I have had previous experience with older Singer machines. The only thing I guess I don't like much is the adapter for the foot pedal, I would have preferred to just plug it in and go, but I missed this description in the fine print on the box listing the description of the item inside. But otherwise it is fine. JeanEllis Prosser, WA 2012-01-18 true Over the holidays, my best friend bought a singer pixie sewing machine. It's a compact like sewing machine, and of course, being a purple lover, she bought it to sew her halloween costume together, as she was volunteering at a zoo activity. She had a hard time figuring the bobbin out at first, then when she started to sew, it wouldn't actually stitch. The instructions were horrible, to me at least, and apparently to her as well, since she couldn't figure them out. I even tried going online to singers website, but all it had was the online download for the instruction manual. I spent a few hours trying to figure the machine out, but after a while, I got so frustrated I just sewed by hand. I think singer should try harder on their instructions, or make the machines easier to use. I definately wouldn't recommend this to anyone who hasn't sewn before, as it would be conterproductive. fizzymelloyello Salisbury, MD 2012-01-18 false dont get this it has caused me nothing but trouble ever since i had it. after two weeks it fell apart dont ever get the pixie plus it is a pice of junk Stitch Performance the bobbin was not working and it was really hard to work with kids could never learn how to use it im 26 and i have been sewing for 7 years i can even use it Fabric Handling ok, not bad but not good Versatility it does not work on all the things it said it works on :(Design it is falling apart, it broke my needle Durability nothing works right it broke after 1 week ihatepixieplus Camarillo, CA 2011-12-03 false I bought this as a spur of the moment purchase on black friday (I wish I had read reviews and put more thought into it). It didn't require assembly which is always a plus. The Singer Pixie Plus Sewing Machine is also small, lighweight and very portable. It can also run on batteries. My biggest issue is with the directions. They are very unclear. Although I have some experience with sewing machines in the past, I found it very hard to figure out on my own, as did several people who had minimal experience. I ended up having to take on an airplane (that god it's so lightweight) to my mom (who owns several sewing machines). It took some time, but she eventually figured it out and showed me how to use it, but thought the design was a bit odd. Jewlicat Yuma, AZ 2011-04-08 false When my machine broke down and i did not have enough money to go out and just buy another fancy machine i shopped for a cheaper option that i could still use to everyday sewing crafts with. When i ran across this one i was amazed at all the features and for the price i could get it at, i figured i would give it a try and if i wasnt happy i could always return it. Well i never did return it because i was happy with it. Best little machine for the money is all i can say. It does the same thing alot of the more pricey machines do but for a fraction of the cost. Its also light weight which makes it easy to take to my mothers house when we are going to work on something together. I really have nothing bad to say about it except sometimes it was hard to thread . everything worked and looked great. hollymdemotte Golden, MO 2011-04-07 true I learned how to sew when I was a child on my mom's sewing machine. She had a singer Pixie Plus Sewing machine and so did her mother. These older sewing machine still has that about it, but it comes in a much more compact size which is great for a college student or anybody who has to live in a tiny space. Even if you don't live in a one bedroom apartment like I do you can easily use this sewing machine as a more portable option if you like to take your sewing projects on the go! It's easy to operate. I was able to sew all of my quick projects and fix the holes my boyfriend puts in his jeans all the time. If you sew constantly I might get yourself a different sewing machine this is more for the average home user. If you sew maybe once a month this is probably the perfect machine andreafilary Weston, WV 2011-01-21 true 61.1

