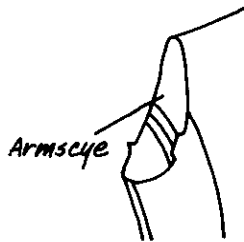




Tailoring: Terms

There are a number of terms used in tailoring that will be helpful to know as you begin your work. They are:

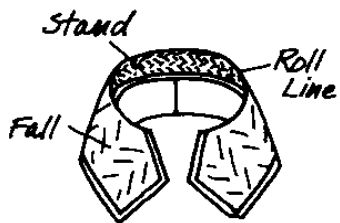
Armhole: the armhole area.



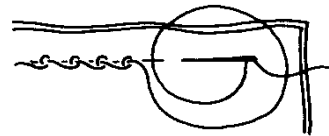
Collar roll line: the edge where the upper collar folds.

Collar fall: the portion of the upper collar from the fold (roll line) to the outer edge.

Collar stand: the portion of the upper collar from the fold (roll line) to the neck edge.

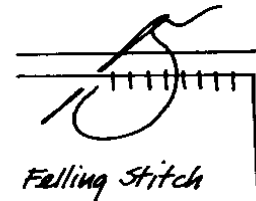


Drawing-in thread or stitch: a stitch used for easing, such as on the roll line of a collar, back shoulder to front shoulder, restoring the curve of neckline or lower armhole.



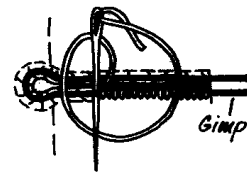
Drawing-In Stitch

Felling: a slanted hemming stitch. The stitch is used to attach the under collar to the garment, the upper lapel facing to the jacket, etc. Note: stitches are smaller than shown here and pulled very snug so they are inconspicuous.



Felling Stitch

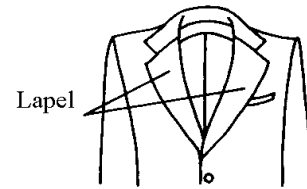
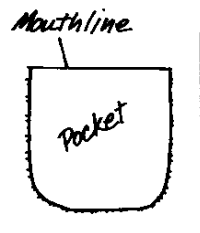
Gimp: a heavy thread used to pad a tailored worked buttonhole.



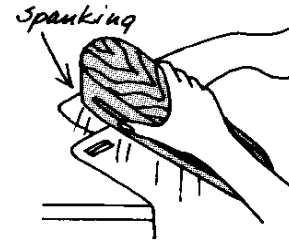
Gorgeline: the seamline that joins the upper collar edge to the front facing.

Notch: area from the end of the gorgeline to the pointed edge of collar.

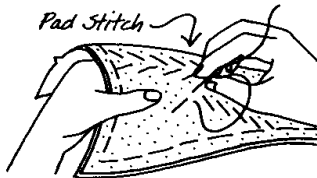
Mouthline: the finished opening of a pocket.



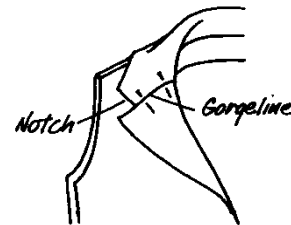
Spanking: pounding the edges of the fabric when moist to flatten.



Pad Stitch: a hand stitch used to permanently attach interfacing to the fashion fabric. Depending on how close the stitches are to one another, they add body and shape.



Stab Stitch: a hand stitch where the needle goes straight through at the right angles of the fabric. Used to finish edges and for making custom shoulder pads.



Lapel: the uppermost portion of the coat or jacket facing.

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