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**How To Finish Seams  
On Single Knits**

"Bunchy" seams are not in fashion. But the seams of single knit garments tend to roll. And this causes a bulky unpressed look at the seamline. You should take some preventative measures to keep this from happening to garments you make.

One way of preventing bunchy seams is to double stitch the seam and trim to one-quarter inch. Or, double stitch with the zigzag attachment on your sewing machine and then trim.

Another way to keep the seams from rolling in knits is to stitch with the seam pressed open. Then stitch one-quarter inch from the seam edge. Or try using the overedge stitch followed by trimming the seam to one-quarter inch.

Once you have sewn a seam and finished the edges, it may need to be stabilized. To do this, sew horizontal or curved seams, in such places as the waistline or shoulder, with seam tape or cotton twill to keep the garment from stretching out of shape.

**New Look For  
Glass Draperies**

Along with their many advantages, fiberglass curtains and draperies have had one disadvantage — the glass fabric was available in few textures. However, that has changed now.

Glass draperies in several textures and finishes are being introduced nationwide.

Casement draperies will be offered in eight textures and many colors. The antique satin texture will be available in two

finishes. Linen-weave glass draperies are another innovation.

The products will have other qualities new to glass products — they will be super soft and easily drapable. Those of the past have tended to be stiff.

Glass curtains and draperies have always been known for their excellent resistance to sunlight fading and to fire. They're also durable, don't stretch, sag or wrinkle. Machine washability is another plus. But you must rinse the machine thoroughly afterward and follow washing instructions very carefully.

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