Materials and Tools

Bras require special materials and specific notions or "bra findings." Before you create patterns for a bra you should acquire the bra findings, so you can adjust your patterns accordingly. For example, bra straps come in different widths. The rings and sliders for these straps need to be the same size as the straps.

Qty	Material for Molds & Muslin Trial Bras		
1	Box of Glad's Press'n Seal (optional)		
½ yd	Muslin		
1 yd	Paper Towels		
1 roll	ll 2" Masking Tape		
1 roll	3/4" Masking Tape		
2 yds	Bias Tape		
3	3/4" Bra Strap Rings		
3 yds	Velcro		
1 yd	d 12 or 14 gauge solid copper wire*		
1	Sheet of Posterboard		
1	G-hook for front closing (optional)		

^{*} Solid copper wire, used by electricians, is best because it is easy to bend yet retains the shape desired. Stranded copper wire does not work.



Press'n Seal for Bra Molds



Solid Copper Wire for Underwire Size



Posterboard for Cup Design

Material for a Bra				
½ yd	Fabric for the Bra Cup (Woven or knit)	½ yd	Powernet for the Back Band	
2 yds	Bra Strap Elastic (3/8", 1/2", 5/8", or 3/4")	½ yd	Neckline Edging Elastic	
2 to 4	Bra Strap Sliders (3/8", 1/2", 5/8", or 3/4")	6"	Hook-and-Eye Tape	
2 to 4	Bra Strap Rings (3/8", 1/2", 5/8", or 3/4")	1 yd	Underwire Casing	
1 yd	3/8" (10 mm) plush elastic for top of Bra Band	1 pair	Underwire, see page 113	
1 yd	1/2" or 3/4" plush elastic for bottom of Bra Band	1	Front closing (optional)	

