



## Using your Tailor Clapper

A tailor's clapper is a tool that will help any tailor or quilter obtain flatter crisper seams on their work. Heat and steam make fabric fibers flexible and when they dry and cool, they stay in the same shape as when they were hot. But, with only an iron you are removing the pressure while the fabric is still hot so the fibers can relax some. A tailor's clapper works by trapping the heat and steam for extended period of time. The unfinished wood absorbs the steam leaving your fabric cool and dry.

To use your tailor's clapper effectively with either a spray bottle or the steam in your iron, press you seam. Lift up your iron and press the tailor's clapper on the seam until the area is fully cool. Typically, about 5-7 seconds is enough.

*Thank You,*

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