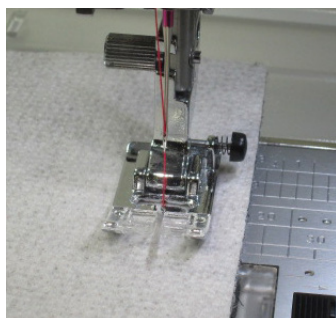


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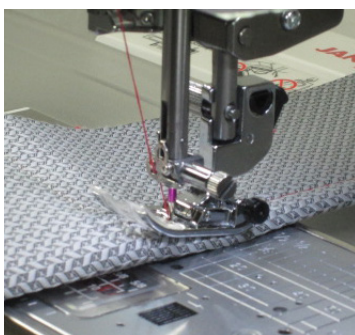
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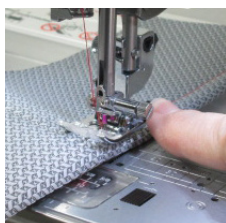
You may have noticed the little black button that is on Zigzag Foot A that comes with many Janome machines and wondered what is the purpose?

This is the leveling button that will allow you to start at the edge of thick fabrics and even hem jeans! It is so simple to use, follow the steps below:

1. Place thick layers of fabric under the foot or stop sewing, needle down, when the front of the foot lifts higher than the back.

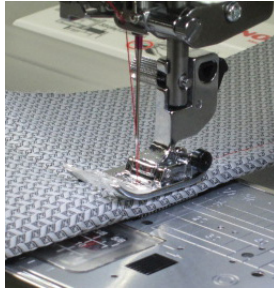


2. Lift the foot, gently push on front of the foot to make it level, then push the button in to lock it into position.



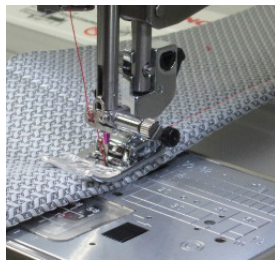
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3. While holding the button, lower the presser foot. The foot will stay level.



Tip: Use the knee lift to raise and lower the foot.

4. Start sewing. The button will automatically release when the foot comes off the hump.



5. Continue sewing.

Use this little trick any time you have a seam which causes the foot to slightly lift in front of the needle.

If this foot is not available for your machine, purchase the Button Shank Plate.



1. Place the plate behind and under the foot to lift the foot to the same height as the bulky seam. Lower the presser foot. The foot will now sit level.



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2. Start sewing; remove the plate once the foot is fully on the fabric.

