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(54) **Manufacturing method of filament corduroy fabric**

(57) The present invention relates to a method for manufacturing a corduroy fabric using a microfiber or ultrafine microfiber filament yarn, which has the drapability and elasticity and soft handle feel peculiar to the filament. This method comprises the steps of weaving a cotton or synthetic yarn into a corduroy texture and cutting the pile warp of the corduroy texture to form wales, the method being characterized in that either filament yarns as a warp and a weft, or a filament yarn as

the warp and a cotton yarn as the weft, are used, and after the weaving step but before the cutting step, a shrinking step of a grey fabric is additionally performed such that the space between a bottom yarn and a pile yarn is formed. Thus, the filament corduroy fabric of the present invention can be used in a far wider range of applications than the existing staple corduroy fabric.



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