

WILMINGTON

Basic Apron #1

Please read all instructions carefully AND identify all fabrics before beginning.

All instructions include a 1/4" seam allowance and strips are cut selvage to selvage, unless stated otherwise.

1. Cut the following:

Fabric A - Cut (1) 31" wide x 34" tall rectangle for apron front

Fabric B (stripe print) - Referring to the apron image, fussy cut (1) 14" x 31" multi-stripe strip the length of fabric parallel to selvage (allow 1-1/2" for hem across top)

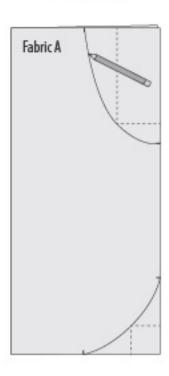
Fabric B (non-directional print) - Cut (1) 14" strip, subcut (1) 14" x 31" strip

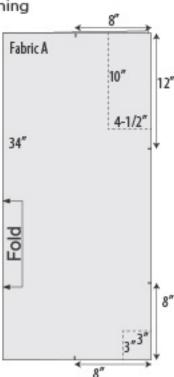
Fabric D - Cut (1) 31" wide x 34" tall rectangle for apron lining

2. Piecing Order:

1. Fold **Fabric A**rectangle in half
lengthwise, right side
out. Mark edge of
fabric as shown with
arrows. Draw lines as
shown with dashed
lines.

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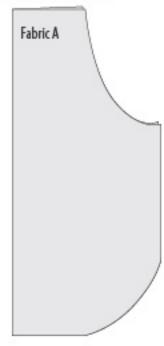




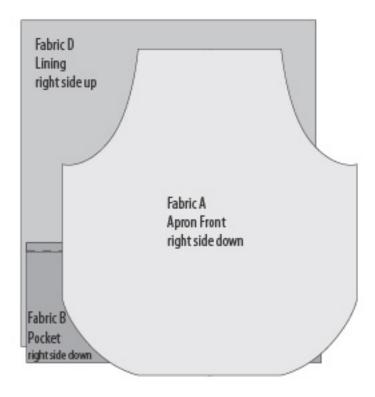
2. Draw a smooth curve for the armhole from the mark on top, to the corner of the dashed lines, and to the mark 12" down the side. In the same manner, create a smooth curve on bottom corner.

- Cut out armhole and bottom curve through both layers of folded Fabric A rectangle.
- 4. Fold 31" top edge of **Fabric B** strip 1/2" to wrong side and press. Fold to wrong side again 1" and press flat. Topstitch close to bottom of hem to secure in place.



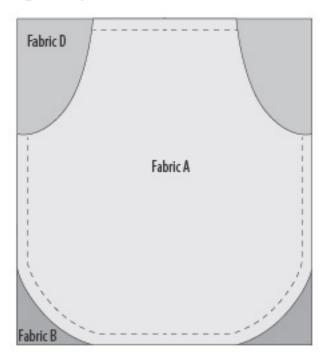


 Place Fabric B pocket right side down on bottom edge of right side of Fabric D lining rectangle. Top with Fabric A apron front, right side down.

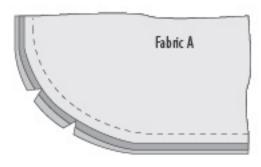


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With a 1/2" seam allowance, stitch across top edge and around the sides and bottom edges of apron front.

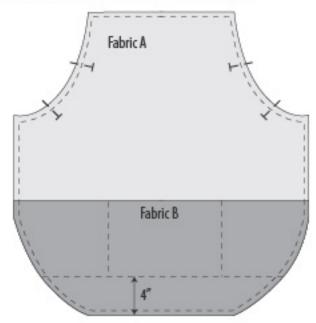


7. Trim lining and pocket even with curved edges of **Fabric A** apron front. Along bottom curved seam, grade seam allowances so they vary in width to reduce bulk. Do not trim seam allowances to less than 1/4". To further reduce bulk, clip seams no more than 1/4" into seam allowance.

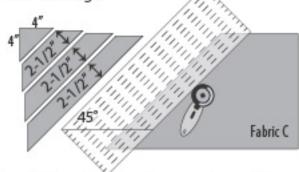


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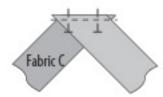
8. Turn apron right side out using caution not to stretch the bias cut armholes. Press seams flat. Pin layers of each armhole together. Topstitch around entire apron 1/4" from edge. Topstitch 4" from bottom from side to side. Stitch divisions for pocket as desired.



9. Cut a 4" x 4" triangle from one corner of Fabric C. Cut remaining Fabric C into 2-1/2" wide bias strips, measuring from the cut edge.

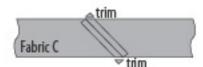


 Sew Fabric C bias strips together with diagonal seams and right sides together until bias strip is at least 108" long.



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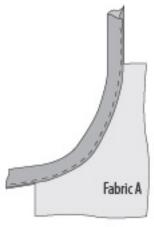
 Trim 'points' of seam allowance even with edges of bias strips as needed.



12. Cut Fabric C strip into two equal lengths. Press long edges of Fabric C bias strips to wrong side 1/4". Fold nearly in half to create bias binding, so one side is slightly narrower than the other.



Shading of diagrams may vary depending on fabrics used. 13. Measure 14" of bias binding and pin to top corner of an armhole so narrow side is on top. Pin binding to armhole catching all layers. Topstitch along full length of bias strip, sewing from the narrow side to be sure to catch the wider side on the bottom. Backstitch on each end of armhole to secure tightly. Tie a knot in each end of bias strip. Repeat on other side.



14. Put apron on. Tie neck ties so apron hangs comfortably. Tie side ties around back. Enjoy!

