

WEB EXTRA:

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GRANNY'S Kitchen Apron

MATERIALS

PROJECT RATING: EASY

- 1 1/8 yards pink print for skirt
- 3/8 yard cream solid for bib
- 5 (3" x 6") rectangles assorted prints
- 1 (6" x 6 3/4") rectangle green print for pocket

Cutting

Measurements include seam allowances.

From pink print, cut:

- 1 (25"-wide) strip. From strip, cut 1 (25") square and 2 (25" x 3") strips.
- 3 (4 1/2"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 2 (4 1/2" x 34") strips.
- 1 (2 1/2"-wide) strip. From strip, cut 2 (2 1/2" x 18 1/2") strips.

From cream solid, cut:

- 1 (11 3/4"-wide) strip. From strip, cut 2 (11 3/4") squares.

From each print rectangle, cut:

- 1 Wedge.

Strap Assembly

1. Fold 1 (4 1/2"-wide) pink print strip in half lengthwise. Stitch down one side and across end. Repeat for remaining 4 1/2"-wide strip (waist ties) and 3"-wide strips (neck ties). Turn strips right side out; press.



Stitching Diagram



Wedge Diagram



Fan Diagram

Bib Assembly

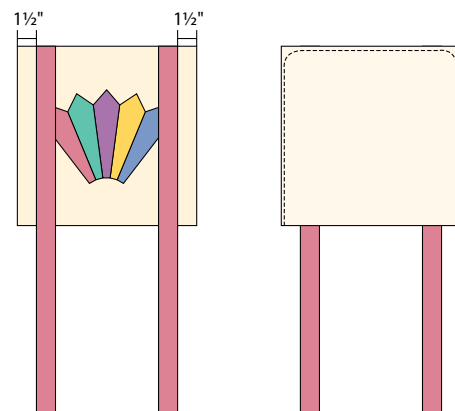
1. Fold 1 Wedge in half lengthwise, right sides facing. Stitch across top as shown in *Stitching Diagram*. Trim corner.

2. Open seam and turn point right side out. Press, centering seam as shown in *Wedge Diagram*. Make 5 Wedges.

3. Join 5 Wedges as shown in *Fan Diagram*.

4. Press seam allowances of fan toward wrong side. Center fan on 1 cream square; appliqué in place.

5. Pin neck ties to top of bib front, 1 1/2" from side edges as shown in *Bib Assembly Diagrams*. Place remaining cream square atop bib front, right sides facing. Stitch sides and top, rounding



Bib Assembly Diagrams

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top corners. Trim corners, turn right side out; press.

Skirt Assembly

1. Press $\frac{3}{8}$ " side seam allowances toward wrong side of pink square. Press $\frac{3}{8}$ " toward wrong side again. Topstitch side hems along folded edge.
2. Press bottom edge of square $\frac{1}{4}$ " toward wrong side. Press 3" hem toward wrong side. Topstitch hem along folded edge.
3. Press top edge of green print rectangle $\frac{1}{4}$ " toward wrong side. Press 1" hem toward wrong side. Topstitch hem along folded edge. Press sides and bottom $\frac{1}{2}$ " toward wrong side.
4. Position pocket on skirt $4\frac{1}{2}$ " away from side edge and $9\frac{1}{2}$ " from bottom edge. Top stitch sides and bottom of pocket.
5. Stitch 2 gathering lines of machine basting along top of apron skirt, placing them $\frac{1}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{8}$ " from top edge.

Apron Assembly

1. Pin bib to 1 ($2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $18\frac{1}{2}$ ") pink print waistband strip, right sides facing. Center waist ties on ends of strip, aligning raw edges.
2. Place remaining $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $18\frac{1}{2}$ " pink print strip atop first strip. Stitch ends and top, enclosing bib and ties in seam. Turn right side out; press.
3. Pin skirt to waistband front, right sides facing and keeping waistband

lining free. Adjust gathers to fit waistband. Stitch skirt to waistband. Press seam allowance toward waistband.

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You can tell which side is the waistband front by looking for right side of bib. —Liz

4. Fold seam allowance of waistband lining to wrong side and slipstitch folded edge to apron, covering stitching.

