

Basic Protective Mask Pattern

Fabric Requirements:

2 pieces of quilting fabric 7" X 9"

2 pieces of 1/4" - 1/2" elastic 7" (the half inch is a bit big.

You can trim it if necessary)

(7.5 X 5 for child)



Step 1: Place fabrics right sides together.

Step 2: Starting on right side, place elastic in between the two layers and butt the edge of elastic into the upper corner and pin in place. Take the other end of elastic and pin in the bottom corner, making sure not to twist the elastic. Repeat for the left side. The elastic must be in between the two layers-not sticking out from the edges.

Step 2: Pin around.

Step 3: Start sewing on a long side, starting just off the middle. Sew all the way around, leaving a gap for turning. Make sure you only catch the elastic in the corners of the mask.

Step 4: Turn. You should now have a mask! But there's one more part.

Step 5: Take 3 tucks/pleats on each of the short sides. The tucks are about 1" each (1/2" behind, 1/2" on top). Make sure the tucks go in the same direction and make sure they are approximately evenly pleated on both sides. Pin tucks in place.

Step 6. Top Stitch around the entire outside edge of the mask. This stitching will close off the gap where you turned and stitch the tucks in place. Stitch one more time, right next to your first stitching.

You're done!

NOTE: We will also have a pattern that uses ties rather than elastic. Stay tuned.

Step By Step Pictures

Pin elastic into corners, keeping elastic to the inside



Put remaining fabric, on top, rights sides down.
Pin in corners to secure elastic.



Begin in the middle of the long side. When you get to the corner, leave needle down, lift pressure foot, and turn fabric.



Stop stitching about 2" from where you started. Turn. You can see my hole at the bottom.



Turn inside out.



Start your tucks!



Top Stitch around the entire outside edge of the mask. This stitching will close off the gap where you turned and stitch the tucks in place. Stitch one more time, right next to your first stitching.



I'm smiling, in case you're wondering.