



MATERIALS

Coats & Clark Dual Duty XP® All-purpose Thread

Cotton fabrics (*Batiks are recommended since they have a higher thread count than quilting cottons. Use two different prints per mask so the mask is not mistakenly put on inside out after possible contamination.*)

Non-Woven lining (*light-weight interfacing: fusible or non-fusible*)

Wire (*plastic coated twist ties, pipe cleaners, garden ties, 20 gauge floral wire, jewelry wire*)

Elastic (*1/8" or 1/4" sewing elastic, rope elastic for making bracelets*)

SEWING | SKILL LEVEL: BEGINNER

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CDC advises the use of simple cloth face coverings to slow the spread of the virus and help people who may have the virus and do not know it from transmitting it to others. These masks help insure that critical supplies of surgical and N-95 masks are reserve for medical personnel. Measurements are given for child size masks, but should not be placed on young children under age 2.

Notes:

- Wash masks before using. Wash after each use. **Do not** share a mask that has been worn by someone and has not been washed since. **DO NOT MICROWAVE.**
- Place elastic behind ears and bottom of mask under chin. Mold wire to bridge of nose. Once in use, only wear with white side next to face to prevent placing possible contamination next to your face.
- Mask can be machine (or hand) washed, dried, and re-used. If wire starts to rust or poke through, cut a small slit on back of mask at one end of the pocket securing the wire. Remove wire and replace. Hand stitch opening closed.
- Masks have a non-woven lining (light-weight interfacing) to provide additional protection.
- **DO NOT** put a mask on young children, or other persons, who are unable to remove it themselves

CUTTING

Cotton fabrics: Cut (2) 6" x 9" pieces, 1 for front and 1 for the back (5" x 7½" for child's mask)

Note: Consider orientation of directional prints on mask front when cutting.

Non-Woven fabric: Cut (1) 6" x 8" piece (5" x 6-1/2" for child's mask)

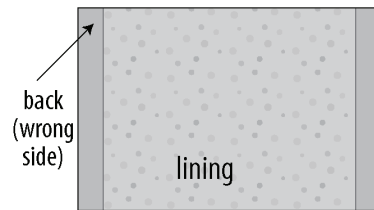
Wire: Cut (1) 6" piece (4½" for child's mask)

Elastic: Cut (2) 7" lengths (6" for child's mask)

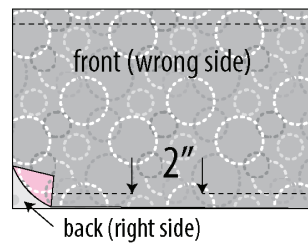
Use a ⅜" or ½" seam allowance.

ASSEMBLY

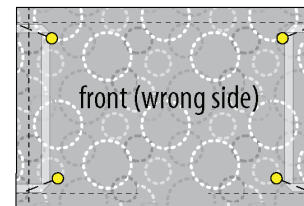
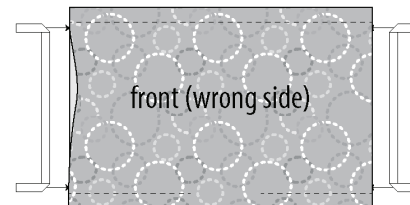
1. Fuse, or baste, non-woven fabric centered on wrong side of cotton back piece.



2. Place front and back cotton pieces right sides together. Stitch across the top edge. Sew across bottom edge leaving a 2" opening.

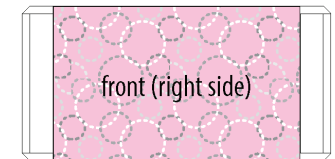


3. Fold a length of elastic and insert between layers. If using rope elastic, tie a knot close to each end. Align ends with side edges and along the seams. Pin elastic in place. Repeat on other side edge of mask. Sew sides of mask closed backstitching over the elastic ends. Trim corners to reduce bulk.



Placement of elastic shown between layers.

4. Turn mask right side out. Finger press edges. Fold raw edges of opening in and finger press.

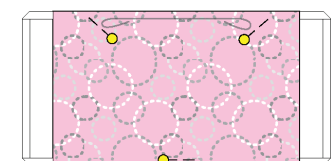


Fold raw edges of opening in and finger press.

5. Twist ½" on each end of wire as shown.

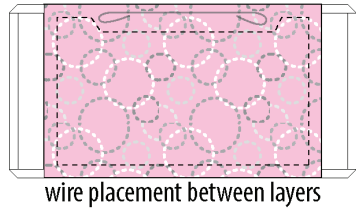


6. Insert wire between layers and place as shown with long edge of wire centered against the top seam. Pin to keep wire from moving. Pin the opening on bottom of mask with raw edges inside.

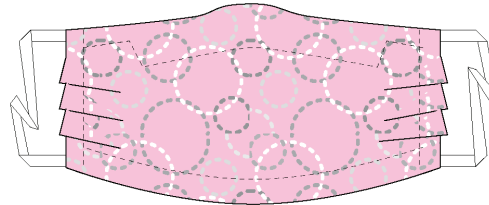


wire placement between layers

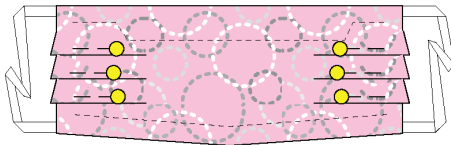
7. Top stitch around wire and 1/8" from all other edges as shown. This creates a pocket that keeps the wire in place.



10. Place elastic behind ears and bottom of mask under chin. Mold wire to bridge of nose.

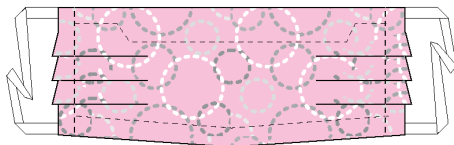


8. Fold and pin three tucks on each side of mask, with tucks facing down on front. Don't fuss too much. Nobody will ever know if your tucks aren't perfect.



11. Mask can be machine washed, dried, and re-used. If wire starts to rust or poke through, cut a small slit on back of mask at one end of the pocket securing the wire. Remove wire and replace. Hand stitch opening closed.

9. Top stitch 1/2" from each side of mask securing tucks in place. Stitch again over top stitching.



Adult Mask



Child Mask

