

How To Sew A Face Mask With A FILTER POCKET

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MATERIALS:

Fabric - 2 rectangles per mask in different colors or patterns

Ponytail Holders

Pins

Rotary Cutter or Scissors

Thread

PDF Printable of Pattern

1. Cut 2 rectangles the size that you need for your mask.

For a small/medium mask, cut your rectangle to be approximately 7X9, for a large mask - it needs to be 7 X 10.5.

2. Cut the ponytail holders or headband in half to the length that you need.

For a small/medium mask, the ponytail holders to be about 5-6 inches. For a larger mask, make it about 6.5 inches.

2. Create a dart in the center of top and bottom of each rectangle to help it fit around the nose and chin..

Fold the fabric in half and sew a small triangle wedge about 1/2 inch in length. See photo for reference.

3. Unfold the fabric and fold down along the right side of one long edge. Fold down about 1/4 inch.

Press with an iron.

4. Sew along the folded edge.

3. Put the fabric, right sides together. and sandwich the elastic along the shorter edges.

Don't put the elastic all the way to the corner, this makes it more difficult to sew later. Make it reach about 1/2 inch from the corner and pin. Bring the other side of the ponytail holder to the opposite corner and pin.

So your elastic should be sandwiched in between the two pieces of fabric. Repeat this step on the other side.

4. Pin the rest of the fabric together

5. Sew around the rectangle, leaving a 4 inch opening along the folded and finished long edge.

You can make your seam as big or small as you want. I made mine about 1/2 inch.

Go over the elastic a few times with the sewing machine to ensure that the seam is strong enough to hold it.

6. Turn the mask right side out and

use a pencil or pointed object to poke out the corners.

8. Make 2 pleats along the shorter ends of the mask.

This doesn't have to be exact, but you want to fold of the fabric and pin to create 2 pleats.

10. Topstitch 2 times around the sides of the mask, make sure to leave the filter opening, and you are finished.

