



apron

YOU WILL NEED:

- $\frac{5}{8}$ yard of 45"-wide fabric
- 2 yards of coordinating 1"-wide grosgrain ribbon
- $1\frac{1}{4}$ yards of trim
- matching all-purpose thread
- fabric-marking pen
- seam sealant (optional)



MASTER THE TECHNIQUE OF GATHERING (see page 18) while creating a funky apron. Pair it with the matching oven mitt on page 76, and prepare to wow your guests at your next party. Or, just throw it on when cooking a weekday meal to spice things up a bit.

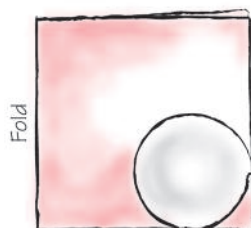
instructions

1. Trim the selvage edges from the fabric, and cut a 22"x 44" rectangle.
2. Right sides together, fold the fabric in half widthwise. Position a round object, such as a dinner plate, on the lower corner. To round the lower corners, trace around part of the plate with a fabric-marking pen (A). Cut along the line.
3. Zigzag-finish the fabric edges.
4. Press under the rounded edge $\frac{1}{2}$ ". With the apron right side up, pin the trim under the pressed edge. Stitch in place (B).
5. Gather the straight edge to 18". See "To Gather a Small Area" on page 19 for instructions.
6. Pin-mark the center of the gathered edge. Fold the ribbon in half widthwise to find the center; mark with a pin.
7. Position the ribbon over the gathered apron edge, matching the pins. Pin the ribbon in place, distributing the gathers evenly. Stitch along the ribbon lower edge and again down the center (C). Remove any exposed gathering threads.
8. Trim the ribbon ends at an angle, and apply seam sealant if desired to prevent fraying.

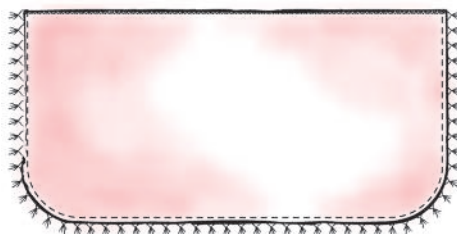


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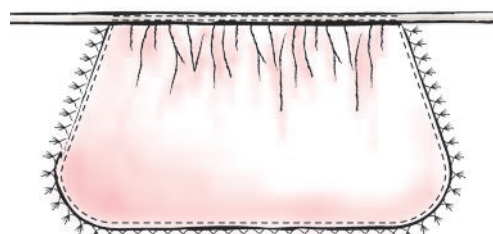
A Trace around plate to round corners.

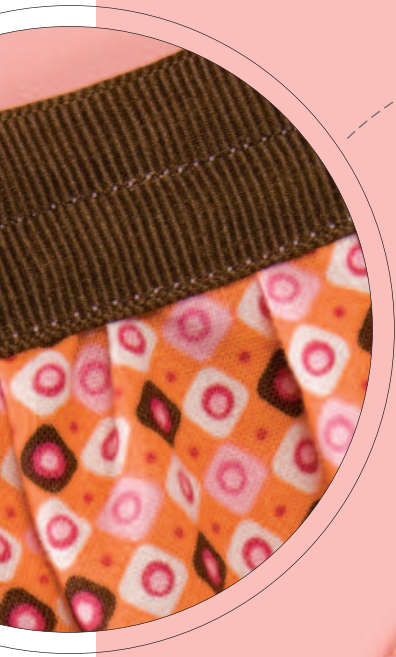


B Stitch trim in place.



C Stitch ribbon in place.





Tie a brown ribbon

