

**Supplies:** 

Fabric - 2 contrasting colors for front and lining (the apron is on the diagonal.)

Small - (2) Fat Quarter 18 x 18 square

Medium - (2) 5/8 Yard

Large - (2) <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yard

Ribbon or Fabric for Ties - 2 yards ribbon or ½ yard of fabric.

Button

### **Cutting Instructions:**

- 1. Cut (1) square for apron front. Cut (1) square for apron back. Small 18" Medium 20" Large 22" [Diagram 1]
- 2. Pocket 9 ½ x 5 ½
- 3. Ties *Option 1* Cut (1) 17" to 20" piece of ribbon for neck, (2) 20" to 22" for waist. Measure to determine exact desired length.
- 4. Ties *Option 2* Cut (1)  $2^{1}/2$ " x 17" to 20" and (2)  $2^{1}/2$ " x 20" to 22" for waist.
- 4. Rick Rack or lace as desired on pocket or outside edges.

## **Sewing Instructions:**

- 1. Apron Square
  - a. Place two squares right sides together. Pin [Dia-

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gram 2].

- b. Sew around square with <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" seam allowance, leaving a 4" opening to turn the apron right side out [Diagram 3]. Corner Tip: Sew to <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>"away from edge. Place the needle down in the fabric, lift the pressure foot, turn the square. Pressure foot down and continue stitching.
- c. Trim corners diagonally so the corners will not be too bulky. Do not cut through stitching [Diagram 4].
- d. Turn right side out. Poke corners out so they look square.
- e. Press edges around apron.
- f. Pin opening closed.
- g. Top stitch  $\frac{1}{4}$ "  $\frac{1}{4}$ " or  $\frac{1}{8}$ " around apron. If  $\frac{1}{4}$ " the opening may need to be stitched closed [Diagram 5].

### 2. Pocket (optional)

- a. Place pocket right sides together. Stitch around pocket leaving a 2" opening to turn right side out [Diagram 6].
- b. Turn right side out, trim corners and press edges [Diagram 7]. Add rick rack or lace if desired.
- c. Top stitch pocket onto apron ½" from pocket edge [Diagram 8].

#### 3. Neck and back ties

a. *Option 1* - Ribbon - Cut ribbon for neck and back ties desired length.

Fold raw neck end edges under and stitch ribbon below the fold line on apron back [Diagram 10]. Fold raw end edges under and sew waist ties to apron at the angle illustrated [Diagram 11]. *Tip:* Cut ribbon end diagonally to prevent it from unravelling. Putting some Fray Check on the raw edge will also prevent fraying.

- b. *Option 2* Fabric Ties Fold waist ties in half lengthwise, right sides together. Stitch long side and across one end [Diagram 9]. Trim corner, turn right out, trim and press. Sew neck tie across both ends leaving a 2" opening on the side [Diagram
- 9]. Trim corner, turn right side out, press. Stitch opening closed [Diagram 9]. *Tip: Use an unsharpened pencil to push the stitched end through the tube.*
- 4. Sew button onto the bottom of the triangle through all layers [Diagram 12].

