

The Aussie Diamond Apron
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Materials:

Back:	24" Square X 1 in Solid Color
Front:	21-1/4 "Square x1 contrasting print fabric
Front trim	3-1/4 "Strip x 21 1/4" x1 in solid color
Side Trim	3-1/4" Strip x 24 1/4 "x1 in solid color
Waist Tie	24"x 3 1/2 "x 2 in Solid color
Neck tie	26 1/2" - 34" x 3 1/2 "x 1 approx. length for neck tie
Pocket	8" Square x 1 Solid 8" Square x1 in contrasting print fabric.



Cut all pieces with Rotary Cutter and board prior to sewing apron together.

Apron:

1. Front: Sew 21 1/4' solid color strip to front square 21 1/4 side first.
2. Front: Sew 24" strip to front as per diagram

Put aside and sew pocket

Pocket:

1. Sew with right sides together sew both 8" squares together and leaving opening to turn.
2. Turn pocket right side out and press.
3. Fold Apron in half in a diamond shape, <> to find pocket placement
4. With front of apron facing you, place pocket on apron in left corner about 1 1/2" from solid trim with solid side of pocket facing up. (Print sides together) Fold down print side to form a "V" at the top of the pocket. Iron all above pieces, with folded over tip of pocket. Pin pocket to apron and sew bottom sides of pocket and about 3 inches on each side of the top of pocket. This allows for pocket to form and hands to be able to go into pocket. (Stop at the edge of the folded pocket).

Pocket will be on the right side when finished.

**If you want pocket on left reverse placement of pocket.

Straps Apron waist ties and neckties:

1. With right sides together sew strips along the long side and turn out.
2. Press all strap ties with sewn seam in the middle of straps.
3. Fold in one ends of each waist strap and sew close.
4. Place waist strap in the middle of 3" solid strip
5. Sew open end of waist strap to 3" solid strip with right side together.

Sew Apron Front to back:

1. Place solid and print fabric with right sides together and waist straps in the middle, sew around apron leave about a 4" opening to turn apron.
2. Press apron after turning out.
3. Fold down top of apron
4. Sew around the entire apron to finish off edge and secure seams left open for turning. In addition, secure fold down top of apron.
5. Solid color sides can be sewn with 1/4 " edge.
6. Top fold and print side of apron with a 1/8" seam.

Add neck Straps:

1. If using 26-inch neck strap, pin straps at the corners of folded down top of apron. Sew on strap with a rectangle box at the corners.
2. If using 36-inch neck strap, sew two (2-3) buttonholes from the end of the each strap on both side to make neck adjustable. *Place button holes about 3 inches apart*
3. Sew button on inside (solid) of strap on each side of top with 36" strap.
4. Sew decorative button near the tip of the folded down top
5. Sew decorative button in the middle of folded down edge of pocket.