



FREE PATTERN • **Mel's Diner Apron** • Approx. 27" wide x 32" long by Elaine Theriault

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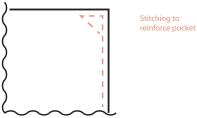
Finished Size: Approx. 27" wide x 32" long

wof = width of fabric

Fabric requirements	Yards	Cutting Instructions
Fabric A - #22025-71 Motifs on green	1 yard	Cut a rectangle 33" (length of the apron) by 28" (width of the apron)
Fabric B - ##22030-21 Stars on pink	½ yard	 Cut a rectangle 11" (top and bottom) by 8" (sides) for the pocket Cut three strips 3" by wof

Assembly:

- Use the cutting guide to shape the top of the apron.
- Hem all edges of the apron by turning under ¼" and then turning under ½". You may find it easier to do one side at a time. Top stitch with a matching thread.
- Making the pocket:
 - Hem the top of the pocket by turning under $\frac{1}{4}$ " and then turning under $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Top stitch with a matching thread.
 - Press under a ½" seam allowance on the remaining three sides.
 - Center the pocket on the apron, approximately 4" below the shaping on the sides.
 - Top stitch to secure the pocket in place and reinforce the top corners to ensure the stitching doesn't pull out.

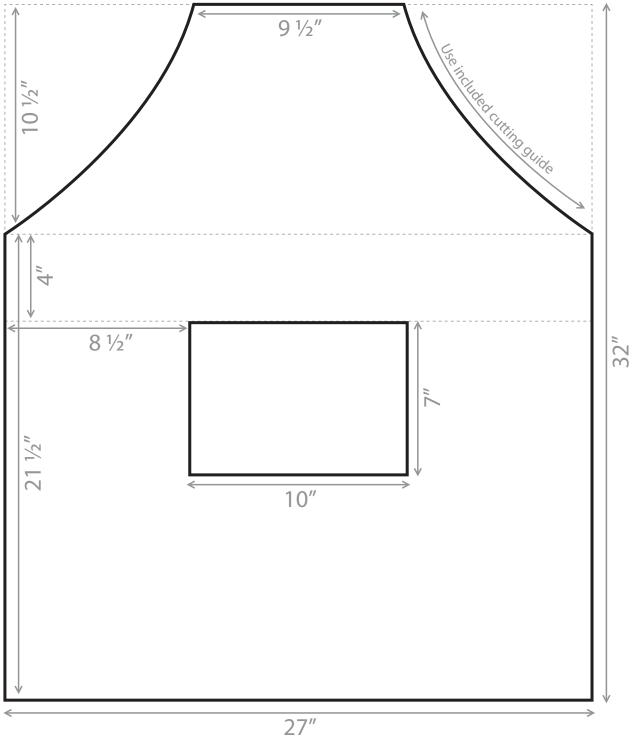


- Making the neck strap and ties:
 - Fold each of the three strips in half lengthwise and press.
 - Unfold the pieces and press the two long raw edges towards the center. Fold along the center line to get a tie that measures 3/4" by the length of the strip.



- Fold in both ends of two of the ties and top stitch along all edges. If you wish to make the ties shorter, trim them to the desired length before you fold in the ends.
- Attach one end of each tie to the side of the apron at the point of the shaping of the upper section.
- From the remaining strip, cut a piece that measures 19" (it's a good idea to try the apron on to see what length is appropriate. Fold the ends in and top stitch on all sides. Attach the ends to each corner of the apron bib being careful not to twist the neck strap.

NOTE: It is best to NOT prewash preprinted fabrics such as panels and border prints. Fabrics go through many manufacturing processes and there may be some size variations. If you're unable to cut the strips to the size mentioned above, cut the pieces to a size that works for your panels and adjust any other measurements accordingly.



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