

Linen aprons for the whole family Tutorial

Description

Family time is so important, to get to know each other and create a stronger bond. It is especially fun when everyone regardless of age can be involved; making, baking, creating something physical, to represent the precious time spent together. But of course, these are activities that could be a little messy, so this week, we will be making some child sized aprons, in some bright and bold colours, ready for when spring and summer arrive.

We have even included a pattern for adult sized apron if you would like to make some matching ones for you and your whole family.

These aprons are inspired by Japanese designs and have no strings to tie for small fingers- instead you simply slip them on over your head and you are ready for action.


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Material

1 yard of 4C22 Ultra Marine Softened

0.5 yards of 4C22 Autumn Gold Softened

(Note: In the photos, for the adult sized apron, we used 1.5 yards of IL042 889 FS Premier Finish)

Matching sewing thread



Tools

Pattern paper, Pattern master, Erasable fabric marker/chalk, Tape measure, Pins, Paper scissors, Fabric scissors

Sewing machine, Overlocker, Iron



Time

1-2 hours each apron

Difficulty

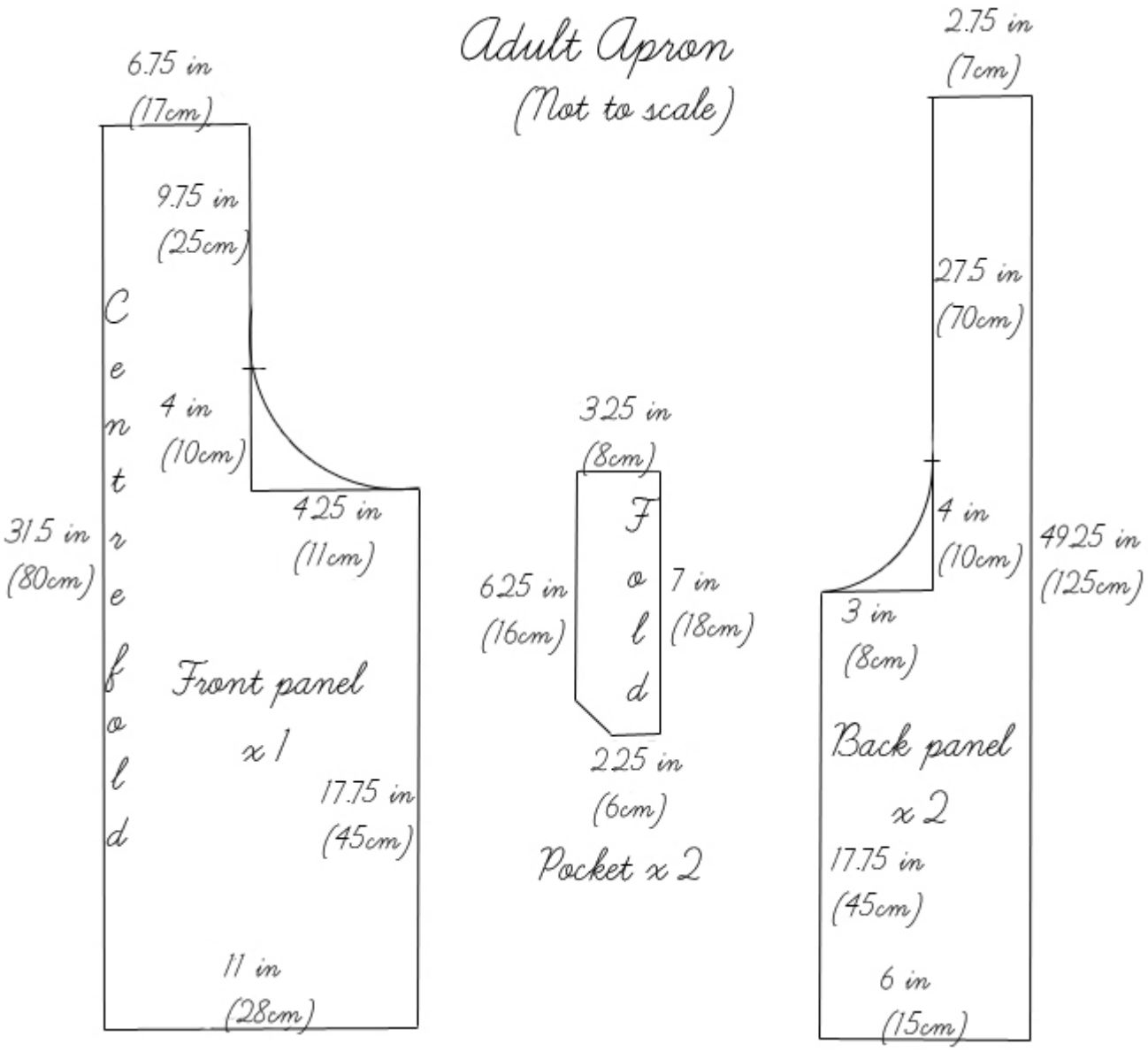
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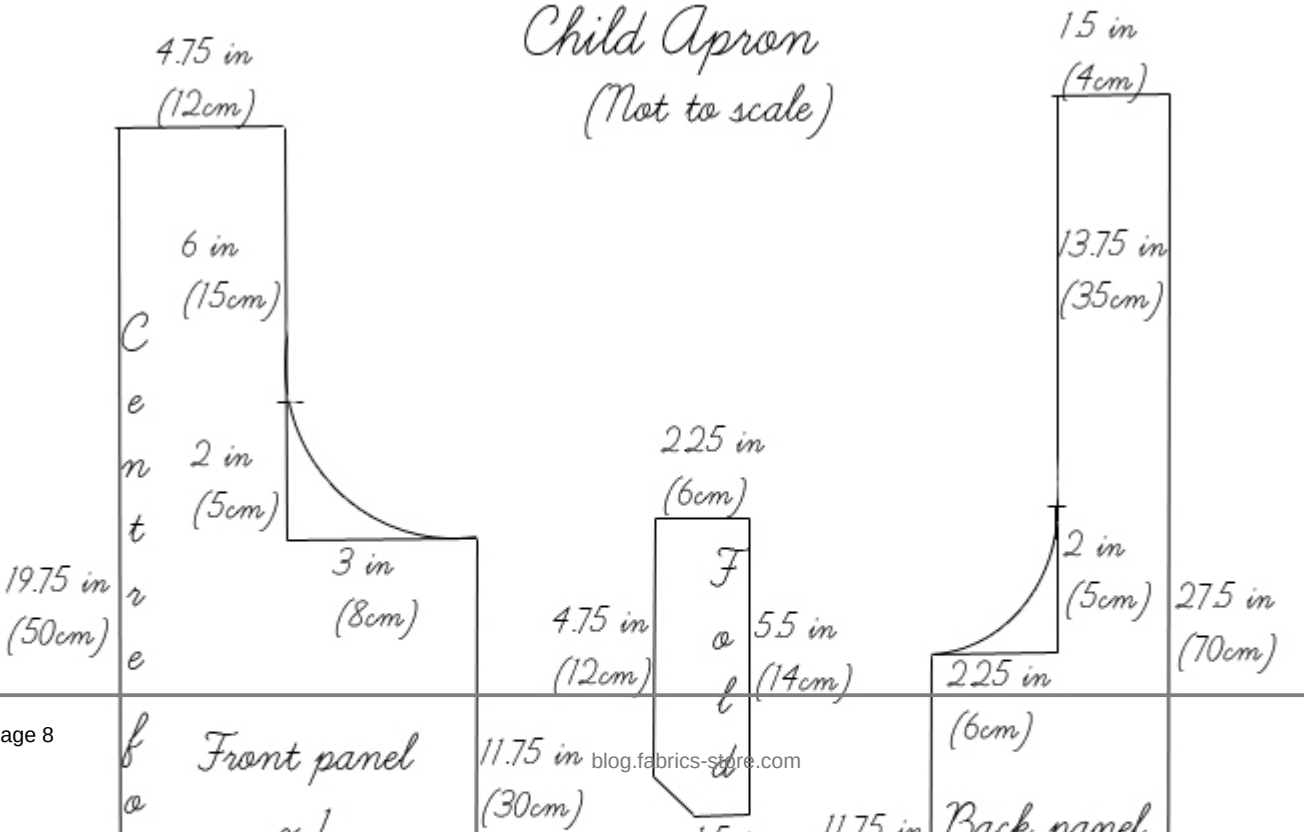
Step

Note: Prewash your fabric and tumble dry it until it is still slightly moist, let this dry in room temperature.

1. Iron the fabric so it is easier to work with

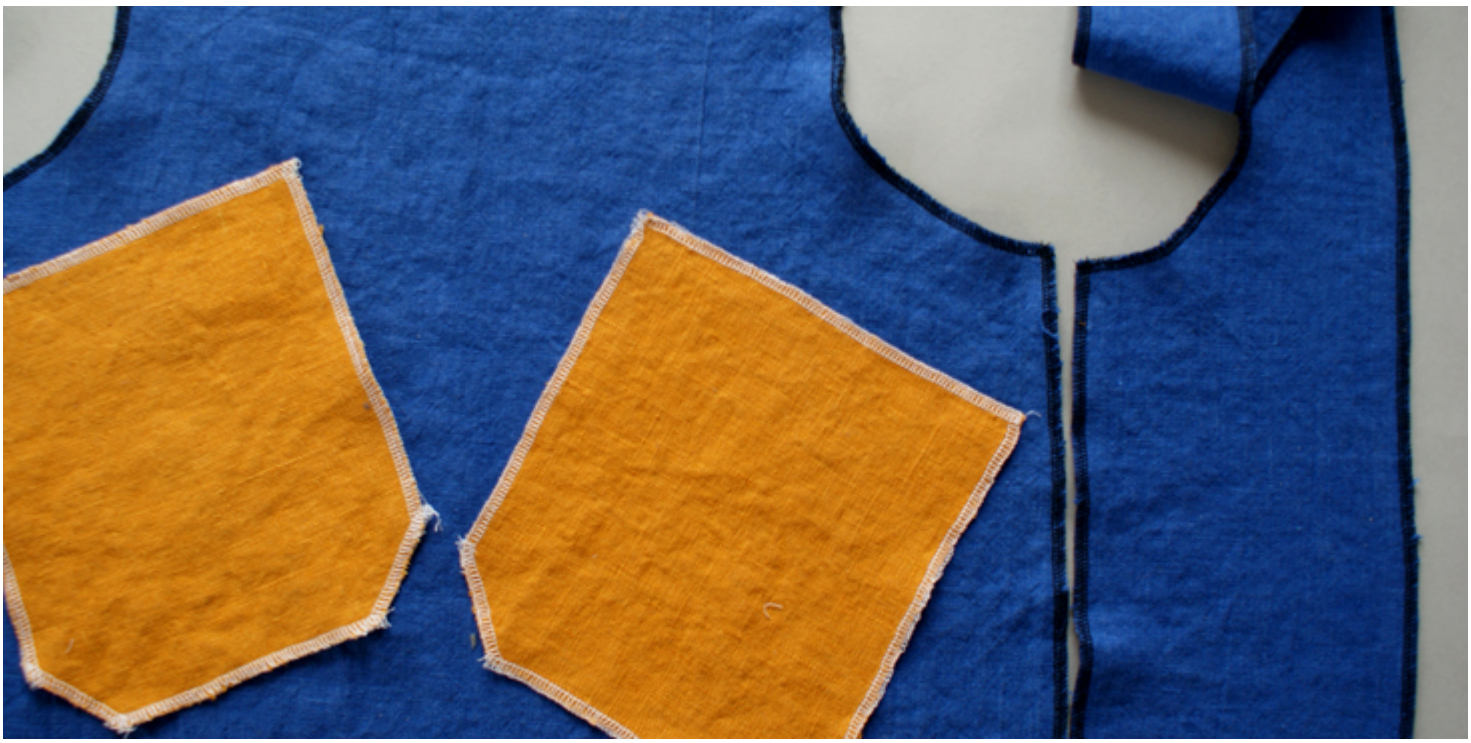
2. Follow the diagram and cut out the pieces, adding on 3/8 inch (1cm) seam allowance on all seams, apart from the centre fold/fold ones. For this tutorial, we used the Ultramarine for the main body for two kids aprons, suitable for ages 3-8, and the Autumn Gold for the pockets.



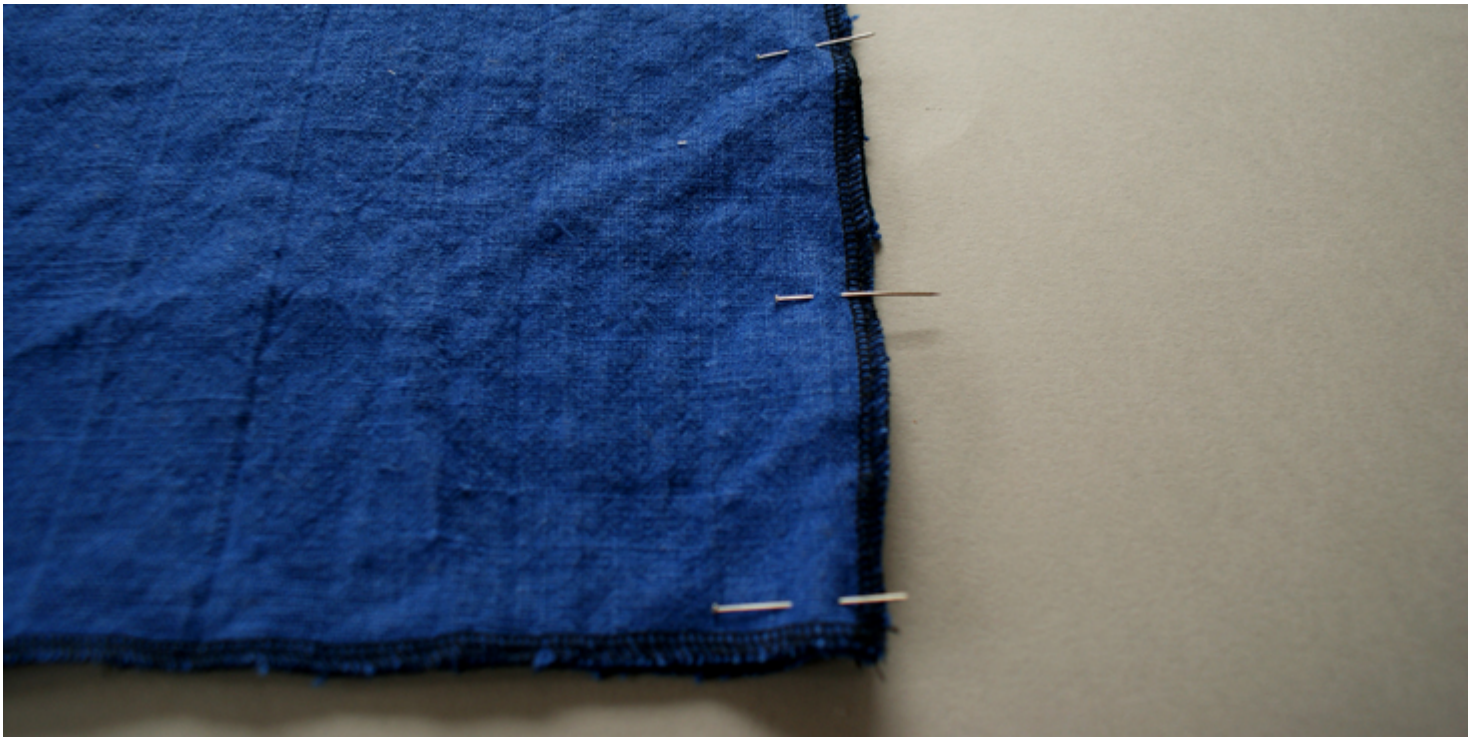


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3. Use an overlocker, or choose your own method to protect the seams from fraying. Make sure the method you choose does not add weight to the fabric.



4. Pin together the side seam of the front and back panels. Straight stitch it. Iron the seams open.



5. Repeat this step for both right and left side.



6. Now, take one of the shoulder straps and match it to the top of the front panel. Make sure the strap from the left back panel goes across to match the right side of the front panel, and vice versa for the other side.



7. Pin the seams together, leaving 3/8 inch (1cm) of the inner seam of the strap unpinned, this is for the following step. Straight stitch it. Press the seam open. Repeat on the other side.



8. Now is the part you will iron 3/8 inch (1cm) of the seams along the apron in towards the wrong side. This will be done on all the raw seams.



9. Once all the seams are pressed, top stitch from the right side, along all ironed edges.

10. Be extra careful when stitching over the strap onto the top seam on the front panel.



11. Now, measure 2 inches (5cm) from the top of the side seam, and put a pin as a marker onto the fabric.



12. Next, iron 3/8 inch (1cm) of the top seam of the pocket towards its wrong side. Pin it and top stitch over the ironed edge. Press it.

13. Iron 3/8 inch (1cm) of the seams all around the pocket towards its wrong side.



14. With its right side facing you, place the pocket onto the front panel of the apron. The top corner of the pocket should meet where you marked the panel with the pin. Pin the pocket and secure into place.



15. Next, slightly slant the pocket outwards, so its bottom corner is around 2 1/2 inch (6cm) away from the side seam of the apron. Pin the corner down.



16. Make sure the pocket lies flat on the fabric and pinned the other corners down to secure its place.



17. Repeat the same for the other side.

18. With the pockets pinned down, top stitch over all edges apart from the top one, onto the apron body. Press the fabric.

These aprons are easy to make, and a great way to bond with your children, choosing matching colour and patterns. Why not check out the plethora of colours and options that we have?

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