



MATERIALS

Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP™ All-purpose Thread

One terrycloth or linen dishtowel*

$\frac{2}{3}$ yd (61cm) print fabric*

$\frac{1}{4}$ yd (23cm) fusible interfacing

One 1" (2.5cm) button

**One hand towel will make two towel tabs; $\frac{2}{3}$ yard (.61cm) fabric will make three top tabs.*

 SEWING | SKILL LEVEL: **BEGINNER**

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Having a dishtowel is handy for all cooks from beginners to gourmet chefs. This button-top version lets you keep a towel within easy reach. Just fasten on a drawer handle or the handle of an appliance for quick cleanup.

MEASUREMENTS

Custom, depending on towel

CUTTING

From the towel:

Fold the dishtowel in half crosswise and cut.

From the fabric, cut:

(2) tabs, using the pattern provided

From the interfacing, cut:

(1) tab, using the pattern provided

Seam allowances are $\frac{1}{4}$ " (.64cm).

ASSEMBLING THE TAB

1. Following the manufacturer's instructions, fuse the interfacing tab to the wrong side of one fabric tab.
2. Place the two fabric tabs right sides together and sew around, leaving the lower straight edge open. Trim the seam and clip the curves, then turn right side out and press.
3. Sew a gathering thread across the cut upper towel section. Pull up to fit the lower tab opening width. Depending on the thickness of the towel, you may need to manually add some pleats to get it to the required width.

4. With right sides together, sew the gathered towel to only the front portion of the lower tab opening.
5. Press the seam allowances up, then press under the seam allowance on the back portion of the tab lower edge. Encase the upper towel edge and hand- or machine-stitch the back portion over the gathered towel stitching line.

FINISHING

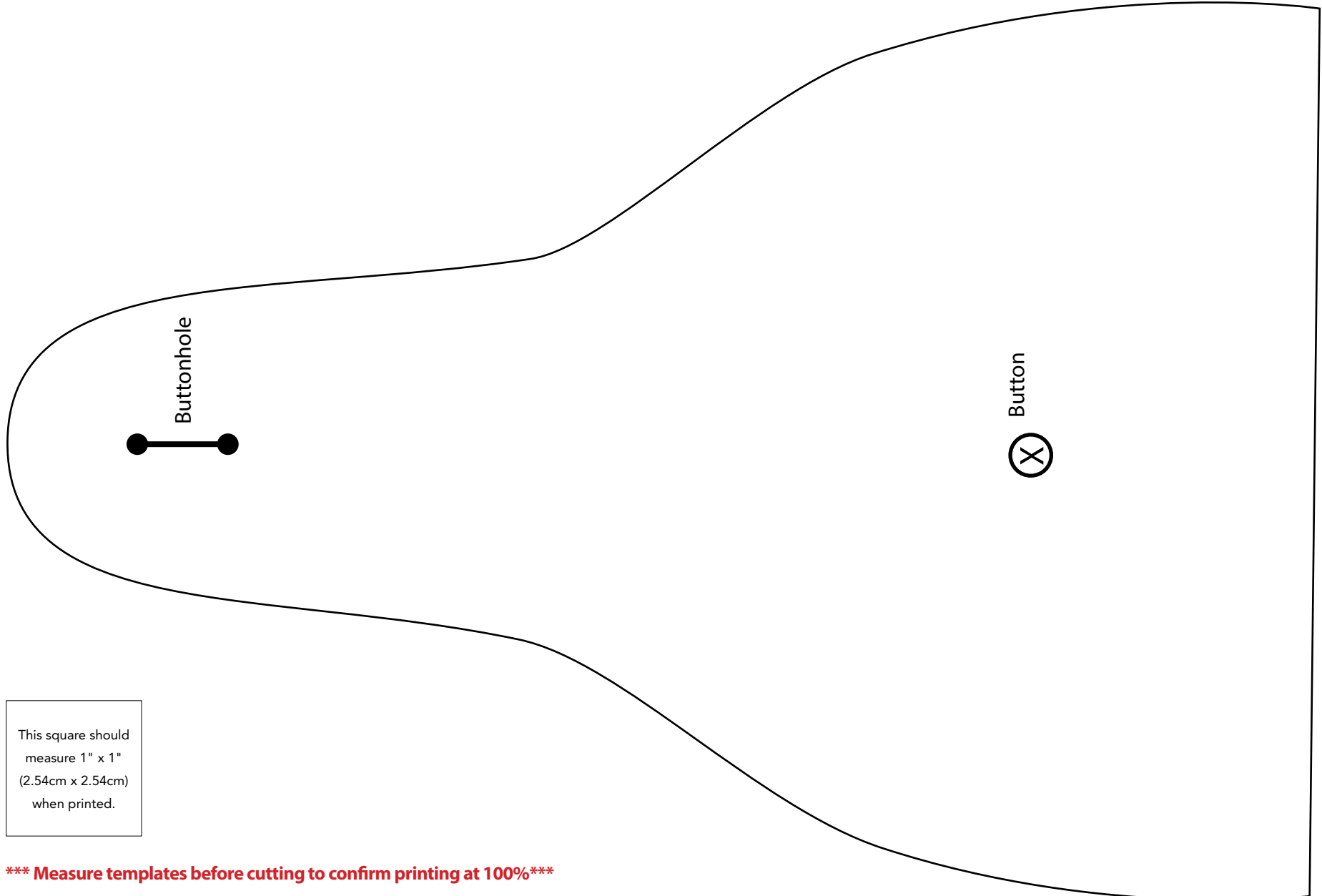
1. Stitch a buttonhole at the marked tab placement.
2. Sew the button at the marked placement.
3. If desired, topstitch around the edge of the towel tab.

Making Multiples?

If you're making several of these towel projects for gifts, here are some timesaving tips:

- *Use a neutral color thread that can work with several tab colors.
- *Save the handwork portion to do while watching TV or listening to a podcast.
- *Sew the buttons on by machine.
- *Make all the buttons the same size so you can program the buttonhole length into your machine's memory.
- *Instead of cutting interfacing pieces separately, interface a large piece of fabric and then cut out the tabs.





This square should measure 1" x 1" (2.54cm x 2.54cm) when printed.

***** Measure templates before cutting to confirm printing at 100%*****