



MOTHER'S DAY APRON TUTORIAL

Create a timeless Mother's Day Apron,
sewn with love. This fun project takes
2-3 hours to complete.

All fabric & notions available at
Sewing Parts Online

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ITEMS NEEDED

Fabric & Notions

- Moda, Grunge Basics, Tan Fabric (1 yard)
- Timeless Treasures, Vintage Dressmaking Fabric (1 yard)
- Moda Classic, Marble Mate Dots, Red Fabric (1 yard)
- Maxi Lock Serger Thread - Poppy Red (3 spools if using serger; 1 spool if not)
- Maxi Lock Serger Thread - Beige (1 spool)

CUT BODICE FABRIC

- Cut two 8" x 10" pieces of the Timeless Treasures, Vintage Dressmaking Fabric.

**Bodice Pieces - cut two - 8" x 10"
(Make larger if desired)**



CUT TAN FABRIC

Of the Moda, Grunge Basics, Tan Fabric:

- Cut two 3" x 21" strips for the waistband between the Bodice & Skirt
- Cut two 3.5" x 45" strips for Waist Ties
- Cut one 2" x 32" strip for Neck Strap



**Cut two - 3" x 21" strips
= Waistband between Bodice & Skirt**

**Cut two - 3 1/2" x 45" strips
= Waist Tie**

**Cut one- 2" x 32" strip
= Neck Strap**

CUT SKIRT FABRIC

- Fold right sides together of the Timeless Treasures, Vintage Dressmaking Fabric and cut a 12" x 17" piece.
- With the fabric still folded, create a curve cut line along the 17" side (opposite to the fold) by tracing around the top edge of a large bowl.



CUT FABRIC FOR RUFFLES

- Cut three 6" x 45" strips of the Moda Classic, Marble Mate Dots, Red Fabric.



Cut three - 6" x 45" strips
= Ruffles on Skirt

ALL FABRIC PIECES

Before moving on, ensure that you have all of the fabric pieces cut and ready to go for the rest of the project.



**Skirt Pieces
(folded)**

**Waist
Bands**

x 2

**Waist
Tie
Strips**

x 2

**Neck
Strip**

x 1

**Ruffles
Strips**

x 3

**Bodice Pieces
x 2**

GENERAL NOTES

- Read all instructions completely before continuing project.
- Unless otherwise noted, all seam allowances are sewn at 1/4".
- This tutorial shows the use of a serger machine, but it is not required.
- When cutting fabric strips, a rotary cutter is recommended for accuracy and ease of use.



SEWING RUFFLES TO SKIRT: STEP ONE

- Pin right sides of the three ruffle strips together and sew on the 6" seam to connect all three pieces of fabric. (using Poppy Red thread)



SEWING RUFFLES TO SKIRT: STEP TWO

- Fold ruffle strip right sides together horizontally and sew along the 135" side. (133.5" with the seams sewn).
- Turn fabric right side out, tuck in the raw edges, and sew a 1/4" hem on each end of the ruffle strip.
- Line up right sides of skirt and ruffle fabric and pin ruffles every one to two inches to create pleats.



SEWING RUFFLES TO SKIRT: STEP THREE

After pinning is
completed, your
skirt will look like this:



SEWING SKIRT & RUFFLES: STEP FOUR

- Sew along seam, paying careful attention to sewing around curved sections.



SEWING SKIRT & RUFFLES: STEP FIVE

- Use serger machine to finish edges and cut excess fabric. (optional)



FINISHED SKIRT

Your finished skirt
will look like this:



SEWING WAISTBAND: STEP ONE

- Pin short ends of waistband strips back to create a 1/4" hem.
(wrong sides together)
- Sandwich top of skirt fabric between the two tan waistband strips and pin together (right sides facing skirt).



SEWING WAISTBAND: STEP TWO

- Sew along 21" pinned edge.
(using Beige thread)



SEWING WAISTBAND: STEP THREE

- Open fabric and iron against seam to lay flat.



SEWING NECKSTRAP: STEP ONE

- Fold fabric back 1/2" with wrong sides together and iron flat.



SEWING NECKSTRAP: STEP TWO

- Fold the other side of the fabric back 1/2" with wrong sides together, and iron flat.



SEWING NECKSTRAP: STEP THREE

- Fold entire piece in half, creating a bias strip, (wrong sides together) and iron flat.



SEWING NECKSTRAP: STEP FOUR

- Sew along the edge.



SEWING BODICE: STEP ONE

- Sandwich the neckstrap in between the two bodice pieces along the 10" edge with right sides of the bodice pieces together.
(Neckstrap ends should be positioned $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the outer edge with seams facing outward).
- Pin top and side edges together.
(Pin three sides, leaving the bottom open).



SEWING BODICE: STEP TWO

- Sew along seam of the three pinned sides of the bodice.



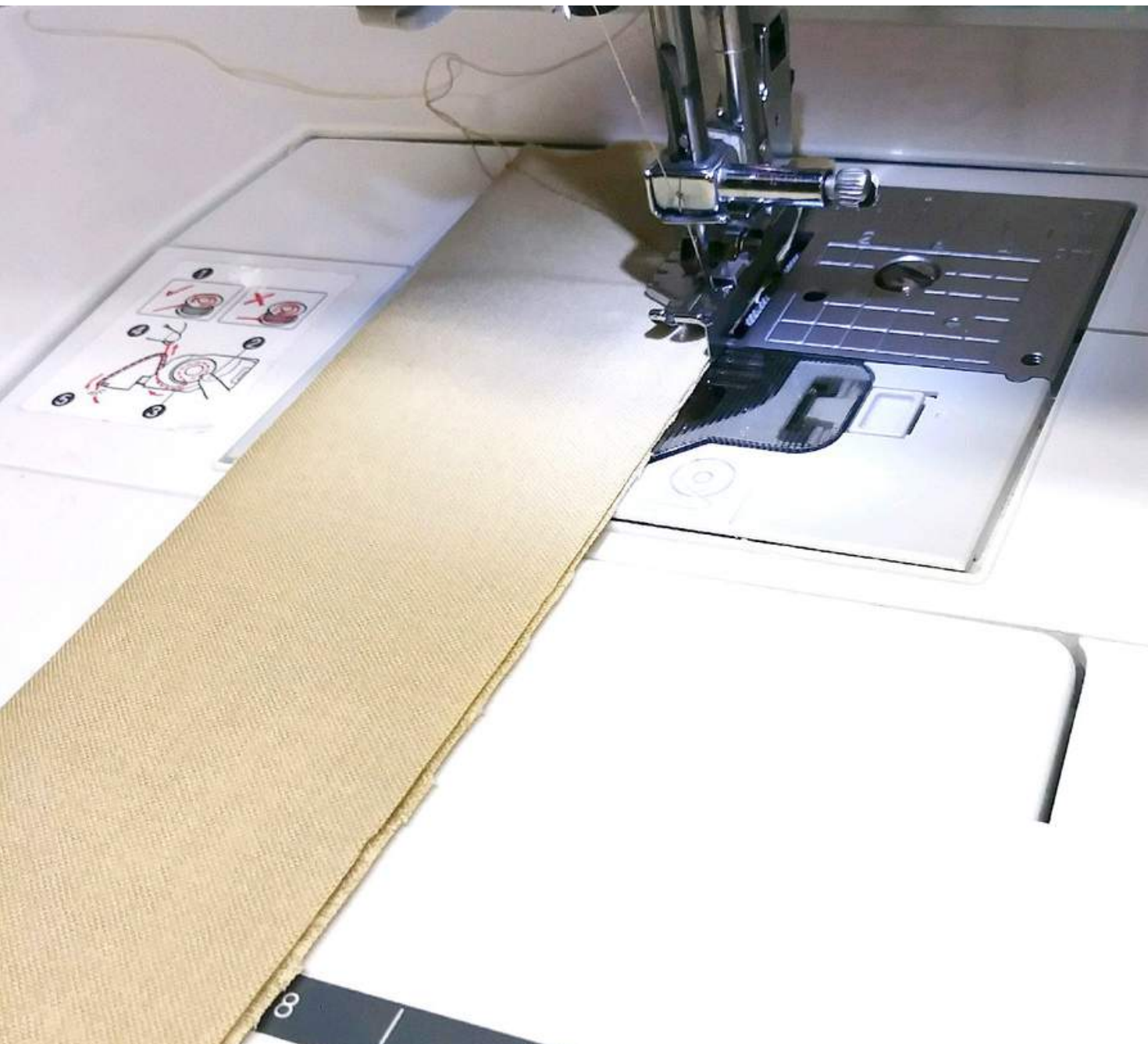
SEWING BODICE: STEP THREE

- Turn bodice right side out and iron seams flat.



SEWING WAIST TIE STRAPS: STEP ONE

- Fold fabric right sides together and sew along seam on all but one side, keeping a short edge open.



SEWING WAIST TIE STRAPS: STEP TWO

- Turn waist straps right side out.
- Open waistband and insert unsewn edge of waist strap 1/2" in. (Pin if necessary)
- Sew along the seam to secure waist tie straps to waistband. (Complete on both sides).



PUTTING IT TOGETHER

- Fold raw waistband edge $\frac{1}{4}$ " under, (wrong sides together) and iron flat.
- Sandwich unsewn bodice piece $\frac{1}{2}$ " inside the open waistband. (pin if needed)
- Sew complete top edge of waistband.



FINISHED APRON

Your finished apron
will look like this:

