DIY FACE MASK

Cut one 8" x 8" square of cotton fabric Cut one 8" x 8" square of muslin fabric Cut two 7" pieces of 1/8" elastic

 Mark 1/2" from the top and bottom of each side for your elastic. Pin elastic between the two layers, making a loop on each side. The elastic will make your square bunch if you pin both sides, so pin just one end and anchor the other end as you sew.

- 2. Pin squares with right sides together.
- 3. Sew together leaving a 2" opening at the bottom. As you sew, back stitch over the elastic for added strength
- 4. Clip corners, turn right side out. Press.
- 5. (Optional) Insert a 6" pipe cleaner with ends folded and twisted. Pin in place at the top.
- 6. Pin and press three tucks horizontally along the mask starting and ending 1" from the top and bottom of the mask. Each tuck is a little smaller than 1/2" and will render a mask that is about 5" tall.
 (Be sure that the tucks are pleated in the same direction. Use grey lines for guidance.)
- 7. Topstitch mask with a twin needle or two parallel stitches.

Use a 3/8" seam allowance. Be sure to back stitch at the beginning and end of every stitch for durability.

start sewing

end sewing

1″ 2.5 cm

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