

Face Mask Sewing Pattern

Original pattern from Craft Passion.com

***Please refer to the original pattern if you feel it would be helpful. These instructions are for the modifications the staff at LHC has decided would be beneficial in a mask. Getting a filter in the skinny sides proved to be a little bit difficult. This modification leaves the top open.

If you are looking at the original pattern **Scroll down for the WITH POCKET version! But take note we have modified from there to keep the top open.

Materials Needed

- Main Fabric (cotton), 12" x 6", prewash (**14 x 6)
- Lining Fabric (cotton), 10" x 6", prewash (**(14x6)
- Round Cord Elastic Band 1/16", (2 @ 9-11"), or fabric for ties (2 @ 32-36")
 - Alternatives
 - Prepackaged bias binding
 - Gross grain ribbon
- Face Mask Sewing Pattern template- cut for pocket
- Wire (4 - 6")
 - Suggestions
 - Light gauge wire (hardware store)
 - Jewelry wire
 - Plastic coated twist ties
 - Pipe cleaners

Instructions

1. Download and print out the Face Mask Sewing Pattern separately.

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2. Pin the templates onto the fabric, trace and cut out the fabric pieces.



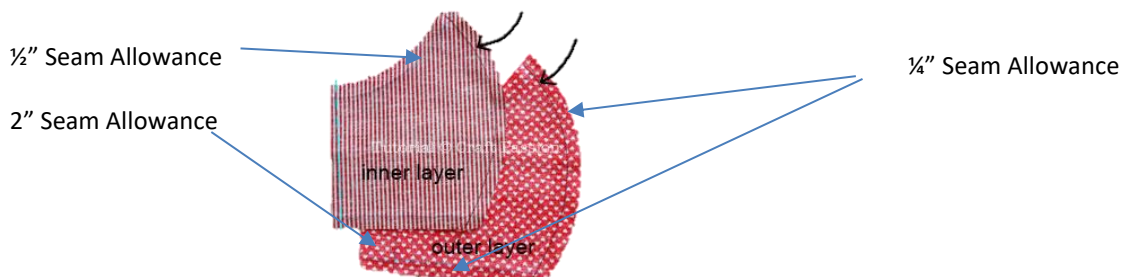
Note: Ignore the seam allowance markings in image. See notes below for new seam allowances

Fold the fabric with the **right sides** facing each other, place the paper template on it, pin. Mark your seam allowances on the fabric

Notes:

- On the cheek side where 1" in the picture is marked – add another 1" for a total of 2"
- On the Top – add ½" seam allowance vs ¼" (this allows for the modification later in the instructions)
- On the Curved Center side and bottom – add ¼" seam allowance

****Tip**:** *I cut the inner the EXACT SAME as the front. This eliminates the inner layer pattern and simplifies construction.*



3. Turn the pieces over and pin the pair together with the right side facing each other. Sew the center curved line with 1/4" seam allowance as shown in the picture. Do this for both the main fabric and the lining.



4. Top Stitch the center seam on both pieces.

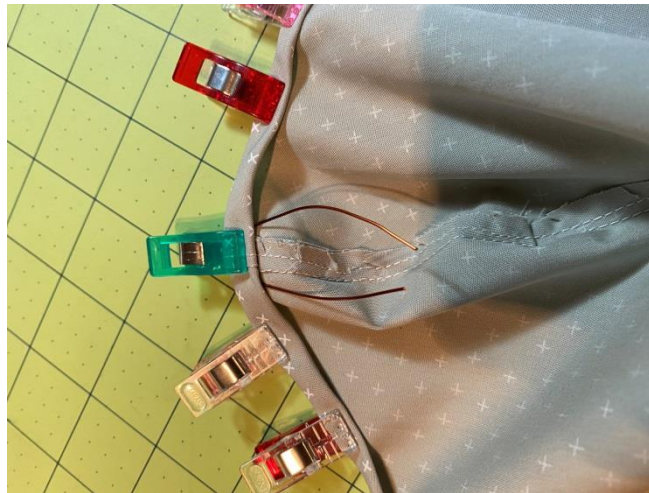


Note: This is where go on our own with from the pattern. We like the template for the shape of the mask from Craft Passion!

5. On both the outer and inner fabrics- hem the top with a double fold 1/4" hem.



We are adding the wire insert to the main fabric at this step



Tuck the wire into the seam allowance and stitch down. Stitch a vertical seam at the beginning and end of the wire insert to prevent it from moving. (Illustration shows alternative way to secure wire by angling a stitch line from the hem to the edge of the fabric)

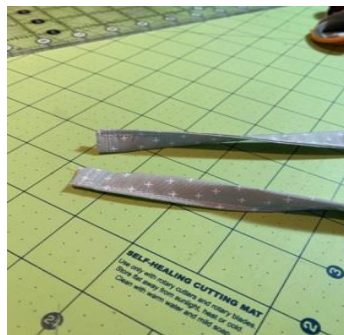


6. Top stitch along your lining top seam close to the edge.
7. Once your two pieces are hemmed along the top, line them up right sides together and sew around 3 sides (bottom and 2 sides), leave the top open.
8. Flip right sides out and press.
9. Top stitch along bottom edge
10. Create two side channels by folding the sides over and sewing vertically. Make the channel wide enough to thread your elastic or ties through approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Double fold the sides to create a pocket. Press in 1" and double fold, then stitch. Reinforce your stitches.
11. Insert elastic or ties thru the channel.
 - If using elastic thread through the channel and secure both ends to create a loop
 - Cut elastic approximately 16"

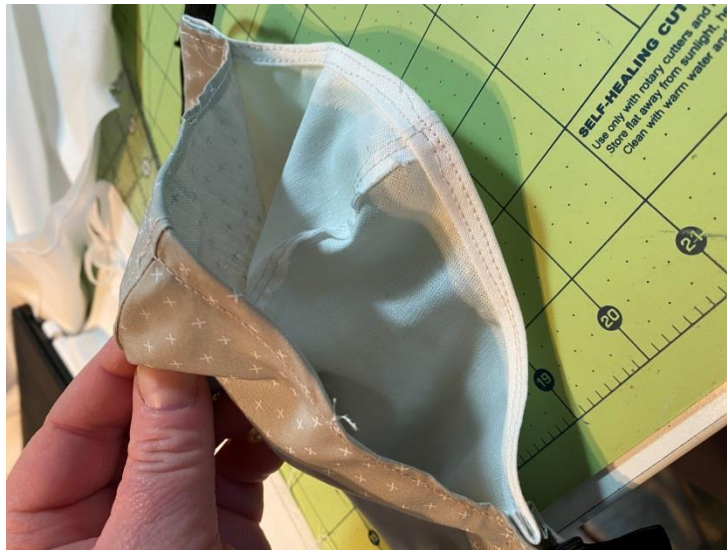
If using ties thread through the channel. Secure the ties by stitching in center of channel.

Optional - Instructions for ties:

1. Cut strip of fabric 1.75" – 2" wide and 32"-36" long
 - Better to have them too long than not long enough. There may be times when there is additional protective equipment these will be tied over.*
2. Fold in half lengthwise and press, then fold each side in to center fold to create your double binding (like quilt binding). Or use double fold binding fabric or use a binding tool to make your ties.
3. Sew along edge to finish ties.



This is the finished mask. The entire top is open for sliding in a filter or another mask. The wire bridge on the outside fabric. This will help to “close” the top.



Done...

And THANK YOU!

We could not do this without YOU