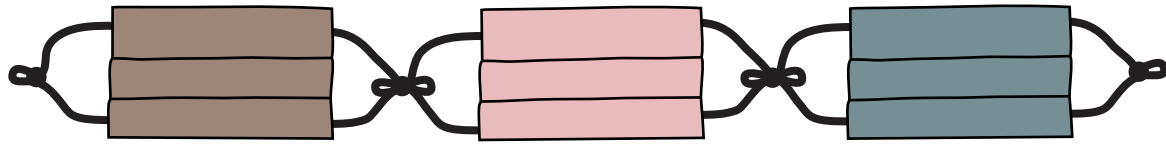


SIMPLE PLEATED FACE MASK



Be sure to use two layers of woven fabrics so that your mask will pass the candle test (can't blow out a candle wearing the mask). This mask design is a bit smaller, so feel free to make adjustments as needed. Finished size is 7 1/2" x 4 1/2".

Supplies:

- Fat quarter of fabric (can use different or same for lining fabric)
- Nose wire
- Adjustable elastic
- Thread

1. Cut two pieces of fabric, each 8 1/2" x 5 1/2".

2. Lay fabric together with wrong sides facing. Starting around 1 1/2" from the top, fold and press two pleats, as shown in fig. A.

3. On the front of one piece of fabric, place the elastic ends 1/2" from the top and bottom corners, and stitch 1/8" along the edge. Repeat on the other side. See fig. B.

4. Place fabrics right sides together, being sure to align pleat folds facing down. Stitch around, using a 1/2" seam allowance, leaving an opening at the bottom. Zig-zag stitch along sides to secure elastic. See fig. C.

5. Insert nose wire in between fabric layers at the center top seam and stitch on three sides to secure it, as shown in fig. D.

6. Clip corners, turn right sides out, then poke out corners, press, and topstitch along the opening.

