

the toddler tie



elastic
and
regular
tie
options



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Materials Needed:

- :: Woven fabric
- :: Lightweight iron-on interfacing
- :: 1/4" elastic (for elastic option)

Printing and Assembling your Pattern

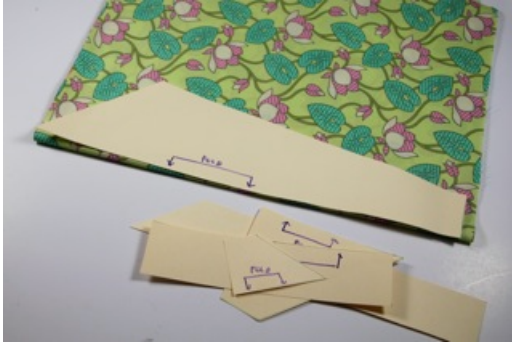
First you will need to print off your pattern pieces. They will print onto multiple sheets and you will need to match up the dots to connect them correctly and then tape the pieces together.



Directions for elastic tie

Step 1: Cut out your 5 pattern pieces on the fold.

The cut pieces:



Step 2: Lay pattern piece B on top of piece A, right sides together. Sew the pieces together at the flat end using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam.

Step 3: Iron your seam flat.



Step 4: Iron lightweight interfacing onto the wrong side of the entire tie....

.....and trim off any excess.



Step 5: Lay pattern pieces D and E on each of the tie ends as shown below. Right sides should be together. Sew these pieces to the tie using a 1/2" seam.



Step 6: Trim the "points" of the tie so that it can be turned right side out easier.



Step 7: Turn your end pieces so that they are right sides out.



Step 8: Fold in all the side edges of the tie 1/2" and iron them flat:



Here is what the tie should look like at this point:



Step 9: Fold the sides of the tie in so that they meet in the middle along the entire tie...overlapping less than an 1/8".



Step 10: Using a needle and thread use a slip stitch to sew the center closed.



Almost done!



Step 11: Take pattern piece C and iron interfacing to the wrong side and trim off any excess.



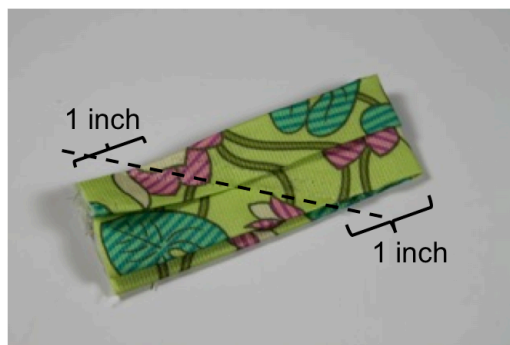
Step 12: Fold in the edges $\frac{1}{2}$ " and iron flat.



Step 13: Fold the edges in again so they meet in the center...overlapping less than an $\frac{1}{8}$ ".



Step 14: Fold the piece in half so that the overlap is on the outside like below. Sew across the entire piece as shown:



Step 15: Flip the piece inside itself as shown:



Step 16: Cut a 13 to 14" piece of elastic and sew the ends closed:



Step 17: Slip the elastic inside the two sides of the main tie piece as shown. You can add a dab of Fabric Tac glue inside to keep it in place.



Step 18: Pull the elastic and tie up through the addition tie piece as shown:



Your tie will look like the below photo at this point:

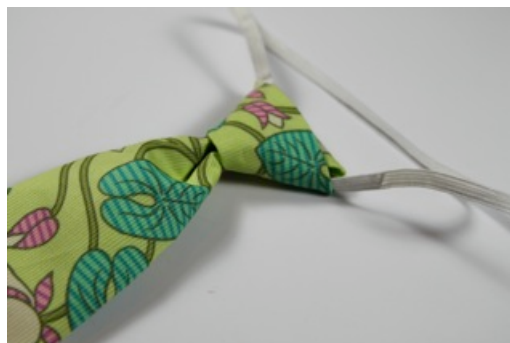


Step 19: Tuck the raw edge forward into the front of the tie to hide it:



Step 21: Add a tiny bit of Fabric Tac inside the tie to keep the front edge closed. You may need to add a few hidden stitches here and there to get the knot to look exactly as you want it.

A finished tie!



Directions for a regular tie

To create a regular tie (i.e. no elastic) you will need pattern pieces A, B, C and D and you will need to cut a new piece of fabric measuring 19" x 3.5". Complete steps 1 through 11 of the original tutorial except that in step 3 you will be sewing the new piece in between A and B instead of sewing A and B directly together! Easy...as long as you know how to tie a neck tie!



