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HIS AND HERS APRONS



Make a set of his and hers aprons as a bridal shower gift, wedding present, or for your first home together as newlyweds. Simply choose your favorite patterns at your local craft store and follow the tutorial below for this easy and personalized sewing project!

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Supplies:

- Baby Lock® Imagine serger
- Baby Lock® sewing machine
- Fabric Scissors
- Measuring Tape
- Sewing Pins
- Iron
- 1 yd. per apron of washable 100% cotton home décor fabric. **NOTE:** Fabric should be 1 yd. long and 54" wide, which is the standard width of home décor fabric.
- 2 yds of 1" wide twill tape
- Matching thread
- Printed cutting template

Instructions:

1. Serge the cut edges of the fabric to ensure that they do not fray. Prewash and dry fabric and press flat.
2. Cut the “her” apron fabric to 36” long x 29” wide. Cut “his” apron fabric to 36” long x 33” wide.
3. Fold fabric in half lengthwise. Place the printed cutting template on fabric using the instructions on it.
4. Cut the fabric using the template as your guide.
5. Cut two 10” x 11-1/2” pockets for each apron.
6. For each apron, cut twill tape to one 6” piece and two 33” pieces.
7. Serge all the cut edges of the aprons and the pockets.
8. At the top of apron, fold down 1-1/2” of fabric with right sides together and pin to secure. Repeat this step with top of pockets. Fold up 1-1/2” with right sides together, apron hem and pin to secure.
9. With sewing machine, stitch the right and left sides of all these turned edges, using a 1/4” seam allowance.
10. Turn each of the sewn corners right side out to create crisp corners.
11. Press all of your folded edges and corners, maintaining the 1-1/2” fold. At the top of apron, tuck 1/2” of 33” twill tape under each sewn corner and pin to secure. Make sure twill tape is as close to the side seam as possible. Pin all of the other folded edges to secure. From the back of your apron, sew down all of the folded edges using serger stitch as your guide.
12. Fold twill tape up and over the folded and sewn edge. Pin into place aligning with side seams.
13. Topstitch rectangle shape over fabric and twill tape layer to hold in place.
14. Fold all side serged edges over about 1/4” so all serged stitches are hidden from front. Press and pin to secure. Topstitch down from the back side, using serged edge as a guide.
15. Fold 6” piece of twill tape piece lengthwise and pin to secure.
16. Sew lengthwise along non-folded edge. Cut into two 3” pieces. Serge or sew all four cut ends to prevent fraying.
17. Form a loop with each 3” piece. Pin and sew to each corner of apron sides.
18. To finish pockets, turn and press three serged sides to hide stitching from front.
19. Measure 5” from side corner and 2” from side edge to find placement for pocket and mark with pin. Align top corner of pocket to marking pin and secure pocket into place with pins.
20. Topstitch pocket around three sides.
21. To put on apron, twill straps go over shoulders, cross in back and string through loops. You can tie the straps in back or wrap them around in front.

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