



Illustration



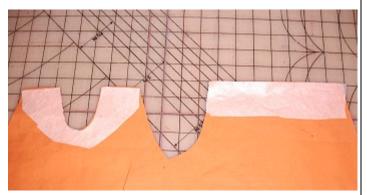


In these instructions, the simplest technique – i.e. with elastic straps and clips – is shown.

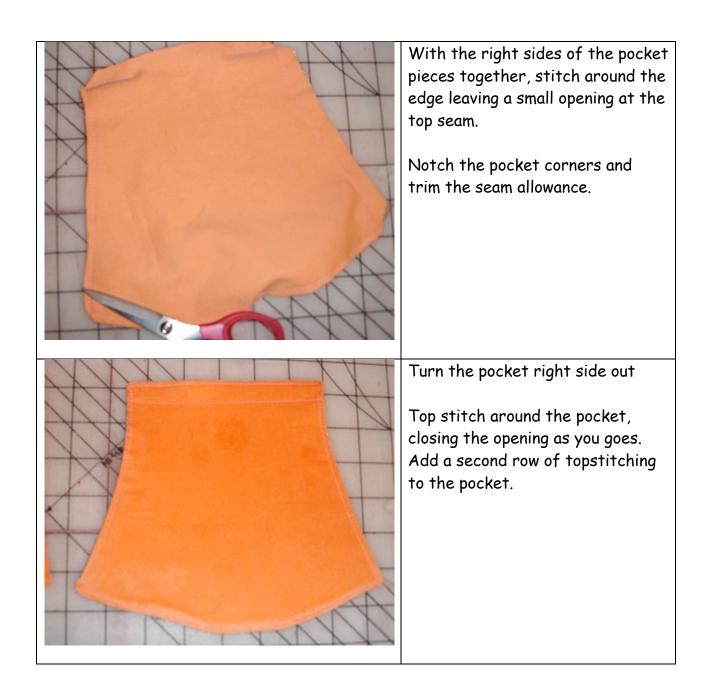
Lay the fabric out and fold both edges towards the middle so that there are two folds. Cut the pieces as shown in the layout.

The bodice lining may be cut from a different fabric.

The dress is designed to be long. The straight straps are attached to the back and button onto the front bodice; the curved straps are attached to the front bodice and button onto the back.



Iron fusible interfacing onto the top edges of the bodice.

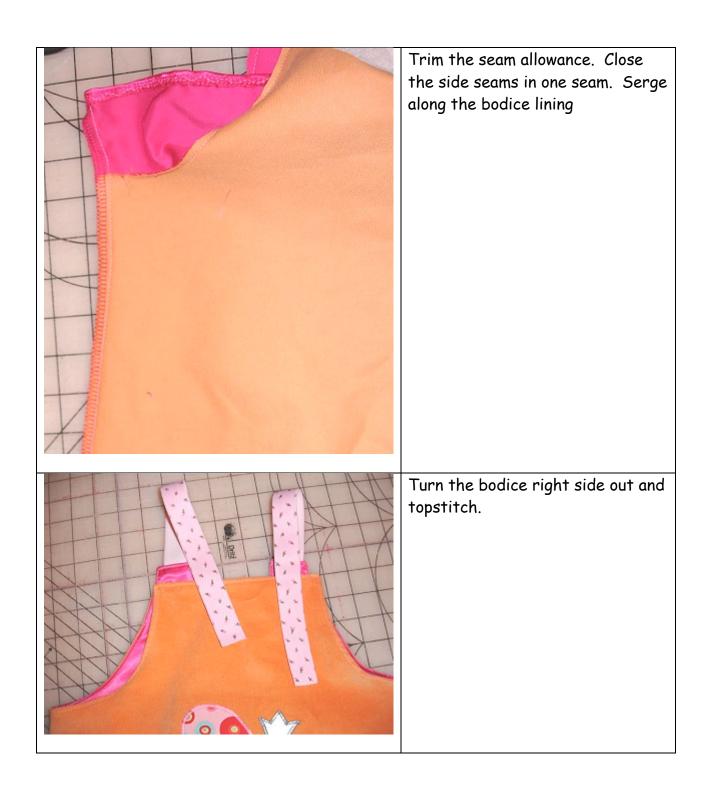




You may choose to do the back pocket in the lining fabric or make it the same as the front pocket.



With the front bodice piece and the front bodice lining right sides together stitch along the top edge. Repeat for the back bodice and back bodice lining, attaching the straps in between. Make sure that they are laying right sides together, pointing downwards on the back dress piece.





If you like, for a nicer fit, you can run a line of stitching approximately 5/8" or 1 cm from the underarm seam and thread a piece of elastic through the resulting casing.



Hem the bottom of the dress and attach the pockets, appliqué, decorate, etc. as desired.

Attach clips to straps and serge elastic strips.



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