

May 2004 - Bunny Bib and the Binder Foot



Materials and Supplies

- Brother Sewing Machine
- Binder Foot (SA109)
- 18" x 11" terry cloth for bib
- 10" x 10" terry cloth for wash cloth
- 6" x 6" terry cloth for bunny face
- 4"W x 14"L ribbing for neck opening
- 3/4 yard cotton print for binding
- All-purpose thread to match cotton print
- Fusible interfacing
- 1/2 yard of ribbon for whiskers
- 2 eyes (or use built-in machine stitches for eyes)
- Pom-pom for nose (or use a satin stitch to create a nose)

Cutting Instructions:

- Step 1** Cut the terry fabric for the bib 18" x 11". Curve the corners.
- Step 2** Cut an opening for neck and head in the bib.
- Step 3** Cut the terry fabric for the washcloth 10" x 10". Curve the corners.
- Step 4** Using the attached pattern and terry fabric, cut out the bunny face Applique.
- Step 5** Cut strips of the cotton print fabric that will be used for the binding on the bias 1" wide.

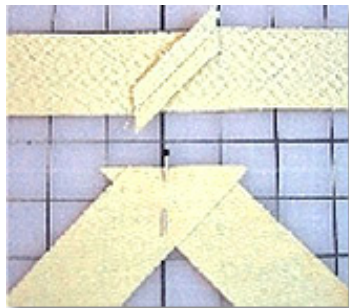
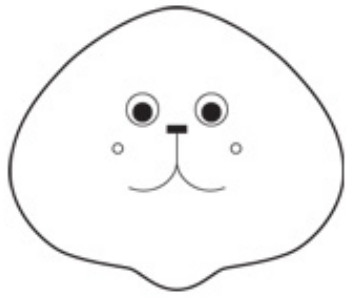


Diagram A

Sewing Instructions:



Step 1 With right sides together, stitch the strips together using a 1/4" seam allowance forming one long strip of bias. Press the seams open. (see diagram a)

Step 2 *Bind the edges of the terry washcloth and bib as follows:* Before attaching the binding foot to the machine, feed the unfolded bias binding strip through the back of the foot. It may be necessary to use a long narrow object to push the bias strip through the inside of the foot to get started. Pull the tape out the rear of the foot.

Step 3 Attach the foot to the machine and select either a straight stitch or a zig zag stitch. (A zig zag stitch was used in the sample.) If the needle is not positioned properly over the bias tape, loosen the position screw on the binder foot and slide the guide to the left or right to align the tape with the needle.

Step 4 Slide the edge of the bib fabric in the groove on the foot and slide under the needle. Guide the bib fabric and the bias binding so it covers the edge of the bib as you sew.

Step 5 Stitch the bias binding around the terry cloth fabric for the washcloth just as you did for the bib.

To create the bunny face Appliqué:

Step 1 For extra stability for the bunny face, iron fusible interfacing to the wrong side of the Appliqué piece.

Step 2 With a fabric marker, mark the area that will be open for inserting the washcloth for the bunny ears.

Step 3 Set your sewing machine for satin stitch and stitch along the edge of the open area.

Step 4 Position the eyes, pom-poms for nose and ribbon for whiskers on the bunny face Appliqué piece. Stitch in place.

Step 5 Place the Appliqué face on the bib and satin stitch around the edge to attach it to the bib. Be sure to leave the top areas open where you had previously sewn the satin stitching.

Step 6 To create the bunny ears, insert the finished washcloth into the bunny face Appliqué through the top openings.

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