

HOW TO SEW A GARDEN APRON

Thank you Satori Design for Living for the instructions for this apron. You can find the full blog post at: <https://satoridesignforliving.com/gardening-apron/>

SUPPLIES



½ yd solid fabric (apron front, apron lining & tie)

⅓ yd printed fabric (pocket front, pocket lining and loop)

All-purpose thread in coordinating colour

2 metal D rings (1")

Note: Medium weight cotton canvas works well for this project. Preshrink fabric in the washer and dryer ahead of time. Press if wrinkled before using. Scrap fabric will work for this project too. Play around with pattern placement.

SEWING INSTRUCTIONS



Cut Out

1. From the solid fabric, cut:

- a. 2 rectangles (apron front & lining)- 13.75 x 20"
- b. 1 strip (tie)- 3.5 x 45"

2. From the patterned fabric, cut:

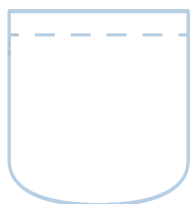
- a. 1 rectangle (pocket front)- 9 x 22"
- b. 1 rectangle (pocket lining)- 9.75 x 22"
- c. 1 rectangle (loop)- 3 x 4"

Assemble the Pockets

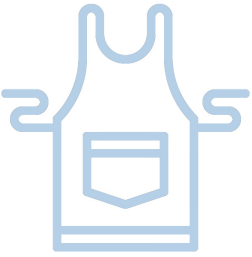
(Note: All seam allowances are ¼" unless otherwise noted.)

1. Match the upper edge of the pocket and pocket lining with right sides together. Sew across the top. Press the seam allowances toward the lining.

2. Flip the lining to the pocket wrong side, matching the lining and pocket lower edges (the lining will extend above the pocket to form a trim). Press in place. Baste the sides and lower edges together.



Assemble the Apron



1. Mark the lower center on the apron front and the pocket. Place the pocket over the apron right sides up and baste the ends together. Match the centers along the lower edges and baste a 2" line across to hold it in place. Note: the pocket is wider than the apron front.

2. Measure 6.75" in from each side and mark a parallel line through the height of the pocket. Stitch along the lines, backstitching at the top for extra reinforcement.

3. Fold a pleat in the pocket along the stitched vertical line so the pocket lays flat against the apron (toward the center). Press firmly and baste the lower edge to hold in place. Stitch a 2" vertical line from the lower edge, backstitching at the top.

4. Using a chalk pen, sketch a slight curved line on one of the bottom corners to round it out. Cut off the bottom portion. Fold the apron in half and cut the other side to match. Lay the apron over the lining piece right sides together (matching all raw edges) and cut the corners to match.

5. Pin together and sew all around except for the top portion. Trim and notch the corners and turn the apron right side out through the opening at the top. Press the seam edges all around, then baste the top portion to close it off. Top stitch remaining edges.



Attach the Tie

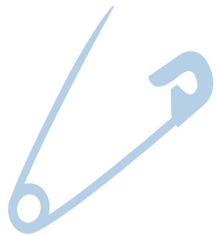
1. With right sides together, place tie along upper apron edge. Pin in place with 9.5" of tie length extending to the right side of the apron edge. Stitch in place along the entire apron top. Press seams toward tie.

2. Fold tie right sides together, matching ends and long sides. Pin and stitch starting at one end, pivoting at corner and stopping 3" in (towards apron). Repeat on other side. Trim corner and seams, and turn right side out.

3. Press tie edges together, folding raw edges under beyond the stitched portion. Continue along entire tie length, sandwiching apron between the tie in the middle portion and pinning in place.

4. Top stitch around entire tie perimeter making sure to secure the middle section to the apron along the inside edge (catching the underside of the tie along the apron as you go).

5. Attach D rings to the short side of the tie by sliding both on together (facing up) and looping the end around to match up with the back of the tie (about 1" in). Stitch in place.



Attach the Loop

1. With right sides together, fold loop rectangle in half lengthwise and stitch together leaving ends open.

2. Turn right sides out and press with seam at middle back. Stitch close to the end of each raw edge to finish it off and trim any loose threads.

3. Turn $\frac{1}{2}$ " under on each side and fasten with a line of stitching above pocket (allowing slight slack in the loop to hold scissors). Note: attach to right or left side of the apron depending on preference (i.e. right or left-handed) and at a height that's comfortable

Finally, clip any loose threads and give one last good pressing with the iron. All done!