



An exciting mix of festive fabrics come together to create this flirty and fun apron accented by a sheer ribbon border.

Vintage Apron

Supplies:

- Baby Lock Elizabeth Sewing Machine
- 1 yard fabric for the apron
- 2 yards 1-½" wide sheer ribbon
- 2-½ yards of 1/2" wide sheer ribbon
- 12" dinner plate
- Water soluble marker
- Tape measure
- Tear-a-way stabilizer
- Embroidery thread to match the ribbon
- All-purpose thread
- Appliqué scissors
- Iron

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fold the fabric for the apron with selvages together. To make the waistline of the apron, use a dinner plate as a pattern for the circular shape. At the top edge of the fold, place a 12" round dinner plate 6" into the fold and 5" out from the fold of the fabric. Draw around the plate edge, marking the cutting edge of the waistline.
2. To mark the bottom hem line of the apron, use a tape measure and mark 17" out from the waistline marking. Start at the folded edge around to the top of the fabric edges. Cut the apron out on both the waistline cutting line and the hem cutting line.
3. Cut out two 6" x 7" rectangles for pocket pieces.



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4. Next, measure 4" from the hem edge and mark a line. This is the placement line for the wide ribbon.
5. Draw another line 2" above the last line. This is the top placement line for the narrow ribbon.
6. On the pocket pieces, fold under the top edge to form a 1" hem and press.
7. Thread the machine with the decorative thread. Select a narrow zig zag, lighting stitch, appliqué stitch or your favorite heirloom stitch.
8. Stitch the wide ribbon to the apron along both sides, centering it along the bottom placement line.
9. Repeat this process for the narrow ribbon, placing it on the top placement line.
10. Using a pair of appliqué scissors carefully cut the fabric away from behind the ribbon pieces to reveal the sheer ribbon only.
11. For the pocket pieces, place a piece of ribbon across the pocket on the right side where the edge of the hem ends on the wrong side. When attaching the ribbon it will catch the hem and the ribbon in one seam.
12. Thread the machine with all-purpose thread.
13. Press under ¼" on the remaining three sides of the pocket pieces and topstitch the pockets in place on the front of the apron at the desired location and height.
14. For the edges and hem of the apron press under ¼" then turn under again and topstitch the sides and hem in place.
15. For the apron waist and ties: cut one 20½" x 4" and two 29" x 4" strips. Stitch an apron tie to each end of the waist strip with a half inch seam. Press.
16. Fold each tie portion only in half, stitch with a ¼" seam, angling at the end of the tie. Clip and turn each tie right side out. Press.
17. Fold the waist portion of the strip in half, wrong sides together, matching the raw edges. Clip the waist at each of the seams, so the entire seam is available to be stitched to the waist of the apron. Pin the waist portion of the strip to the waist of the apron, matching the raw edges of the strip to the cut edge of the apron waist. Stitch in place with a ¼" seam. Press the seam up towards the waist strip.
18. Bring the folded edge of the waist strip to the back of the apron, encasing the stitched seam and matching it to the stitching of the waist line. Stitch in the ditch securing the folded edge of the waist band to the waistline. Press.

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