Cotton Apron

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My assembly is very similar to that of a ladies pinner apron, but incorporates a full skirt for more coverage, because kids are known to sit whenever and wherever they please! I took the liberty of crossing the straps for visual effect. Otherwise, it is a very simple and functional design. I used reproduction cotton from a local quilt shop, but this pinafore could be made in black silk and trimmed if an upperclass impression is desired.



Cutting (Tearing) Instruction

Skirt

Desired Length + 1/2 inch seam allowance at waist and 1 1/2 inches for hemming x Width of Fabric

Bodice Rectangle

Desired Length + 1/2 inch seam allowance at waist and 1 inch for rolled hem x Desired Width + 2 inches for rolled hems on each side + a few inches for gathering

Waistband

2 inches wide x waist measurement + 2 inch overlap + 1 inch for seam allowance. Tear two.

Straps

3 inches wide x length from top of bodice over the shoulder and across the back plus a few inches for finishing. Tear two.

I just made them too long on purpose so I could work out the details of length during the button and button hole placement step.

Additionally, the straps can be widened for bigger girls. Charlotte is almost aged 2 and still wearing 12 and 18 month sizes, so 1 inch is plenty wide enough for her frame.

Notions

Cotton thread and three period appropriate buttons.

