# Tie on Pocket Pattern

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Historically, these pockets were an 18th century and first half of the 19th century item. During the 1860s, most pockets were sewn directly into the dress. In sheers pockets were skipped, or a support strap could be added from the skirt seam to the waistband. I'm not sure if that method was implemented more then tie on pockets, or not.

However, there were still instances where a pocket of this style proved practical. And if you are a modern historian, and you don't have a pocket in your dress this sure beats carrying around another basket.

If you don't wish to make your own pocket, check out Anna's Worden Bauersmith's Etsy shop. You can also read more about pockets on her blog!

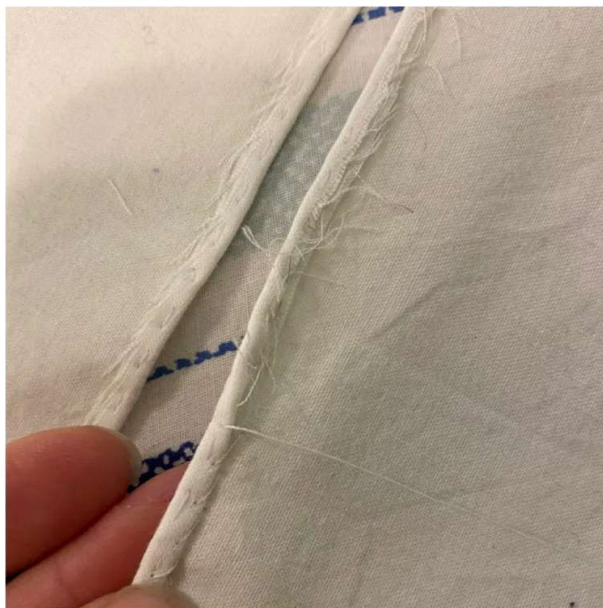## Materials:

- Four layers cotton

- White Cotton thread and needle

- Cotton Twill tape 1- 1.50 inches wide, long enough to tie around your waist.
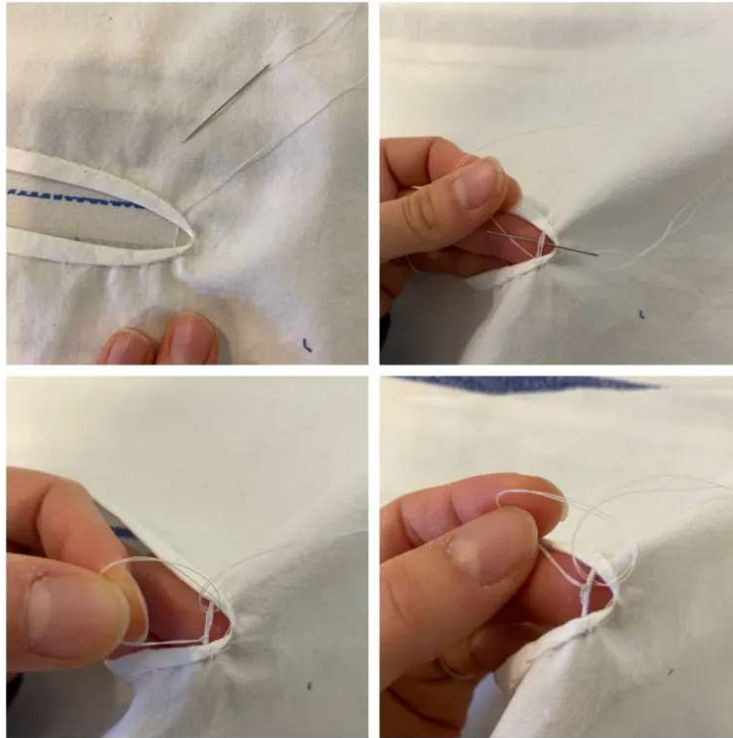
## Start

**Step 1:** Wash and iron your fabric to prevent shrinkage.

**Step 2:** Cut out pattern Click the link to print out the pattern. Cut it out on a fold.

**Step 3:** Cut center line to the dot, and sew. You can do a double hem here, or a teeny tiny hem, and them fold it over again and whip stitch.



**Step 4**: Right side facing at the join, do two buttonhole threads to prevent the pocket from tearing if the fabric should ever become stressed.

**Step 5:** Pin right side to right side, and sew pocket sides and bottom. Sew another seam right below the other, just in case something ever pokes a hole through the first seam.



**Step 6:** Invert and press

**Step 7:** Grab twill tape, wrap around waist and tie generously. Cut to size.

Fold over and hem the ends to prevent fraying.

Find center and pin it to the top of your pocket. Sew the twill tape along the top of your pocket, leaving a raw edge at the top. You want a seam allowance that is less then 1/2 of the width of your tape. As you are going to flip the tape over and whip stitch the back to finish.



Enjoy your pocket!

Pocket
cut 2 main
2 lining