





CHILDREN'S *Hat*

SUPPLY LIST

- 1/4 yard 45"-wide fabric (corduroy, twill, or something that has some stiffness to it), prewashed
- 1 spool regular sewing thread
- 1/2 yard ribbon
- 2/3 yard 3/4" wide elastic (optional)

Use a 5/8" allowance for all seams.

Note: See back detail of hat on preceding page. This cap fits children's head sizes up to 21 1/2" in diameter. If your child's head is smaller, use a piece of elastic to create a snug fit.

ASSEMBLING, STITCHING, AND FINISHING DETAILS

1. With right sides of the fabric together, pin top together along straight edge. Stitch and press seam open.
2. With right sides of the fabric together, pin brim together along front straight edge. Stitch and press seam open.
3. Pin the brim to the top, right sides together, matching at the front seams. (The brim doesn't meet in the back.) Stitch together along the outside edge of the brim and top. Clip to 1/8" of seam.
4. With right sides of the fabric together, match the notches on the band at the short edges and pin. This is a little bit tricky, but the result is a diagonal seam which will decrease a lot of extra bulk in the hatband. Stitch and press the seam open. Fold the band in half lengthwise with the wrong sides together so there is just one long unfinished edge and only the right sides of the fabric show. Press.
5. If you need to adjust the hat size, add elastic here. Hold elastic around your child's head to figure out exactly how long it should be (you don't want it to be too loose or too tight). Add about 1 1/2" extra.
6. With right sides of the fabric together, pin the raw edge of the band to the inside edge of the brim. Place the band seam at the back and pin to the top of the hat where the brim doesn't meet in the back. If using elastic, leave a 1" opening to thread the elastic through the band. Stitch. Feed the elastic through the band of the hat (pin a safety pin to one end of the elastic to give yourself something to push through). Overlap the ends of the elastic about 3/4" and stitch securely. Tuck the elastic into the band and sew the opening closed. Turn right side out and press the band seam to the inside of the hat.
7. Tie a bow with the ribbon and hand stitch it onto the center back of the hat.

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Note on placement: If your fabric is patterned, pay attention to how the "top" pieces will fit together in the middle (the straight side) and place accordingly.

