

twirly apron skirt & embellished shirt

Your precious girls will look just darling in this fun twirly skirt and matching embellished top. You will learn to make an elastic waist skirt with an optional attached apron and then learn to raw-edge appliqué onto a store-bought top for a boutique-look one-of-a-kind outfit!

CUTTING GUIDE/FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

Size 1-2 - finished length 10"

Yoke: 4.5" x 29"

Skirt: 8.5" x 44" or width of fabric

Bottom band: 2.5" x 44" or width of fabric

Apron: Cut 2 - 6.5" long x 7.5" wide

3/4" Elastic: 18"

Size 3-4 - finished length 11.5"

Yoke: 5" x 30"

Skirt: 9.5" x 44" or width of fabric

Bottom band: 2.5" x 44" or width of fabric

Apron: Cut 2 - 7.5" long x 9" wide

3/4" Elastic: 19"

Size 5-6 - finished length 13.5"

Yoke: 6" x 32"

Skirt: 10.5" x 44" or width of fabric

Bottom band: 2.5" x 44" or width of fabric

Apron: Cut 2 - 8.5" long x 10" wide

3/4" Elastic: 20"

All Sizes

Small scraps of fabric for applique

Fusible web

Purchased tank top or t-shirt

WHAT YOU DO:

All seam allowances are 1/2" unless instructed otherwise.

A-Day-at-the-Park Twirly Skirt:

1. Cut fabric pieces to measurements and mark center front and back and side on skirt and yoke pieces.

2. Press 2.5" band in half lengthwise.



3. Sew band to bottom of skirt by placing raw edges together on wrong side of skirt bottom. Stitch. Press band to right side of skirt and topstitch close to edge to secure.
4. Place apron pieces right sides together and sew around sides and bottom, leaving top open. Trim corners and turn right sides out. Press and topstitch close to edges. Mark center of apron on raw edge with a small notch.
5. Pin apron and yoke together, matching apron center with center front of yoke. Baste in place.
6. To gather skirt, zig zag over a string of dental floss 3/8" away from top edge of skirt on wrong side making sure not to catch floss in stitching. Secure floss with pin on one end. Matching notches on yoke and skirt, pin skirt to yoke, Pull loose end of floss to gather skirt to fit yoke.
7. Stitch yoke to skirt. Press seam toward yoke and topstitch along the yoke close to seam.
8. With right sides together, stitch side seam. Finish with zig zag or serger. Press seam toward back of skirt.
9. To form elastic casing, press under top edge of yoke 1/4" and then 1". Sew casing close to pressed edge, leaving about a 2-3" opening to insert elastic. Using safety pin, insert elastic through casing. Overlap ends about 1" and sew to secure. Finish stitching casing closed to complete your skirt!

Applique Purchased Shirt:

1. Choose design from fabric for applique. Maybe it is a motif already in the fabric, or maybe you would like to draw a specific design. Fuse paper-backed webbing to fabric and cut out design.
2. Remove paper backing and fuse onto purchased shirt.
3. Using matching thread, using a straight stitch, sew around applique about 1/8" away from raw edge. This is called raw-edge straight stitch applique, and over time the applique will fray softly around the edges. This is a fun and easy, yet funky way to customize any little girl's (or big girl's, for that matter) wardrobe.

If you use a tank top, she can layer it with a turtleneck in the cooler months.