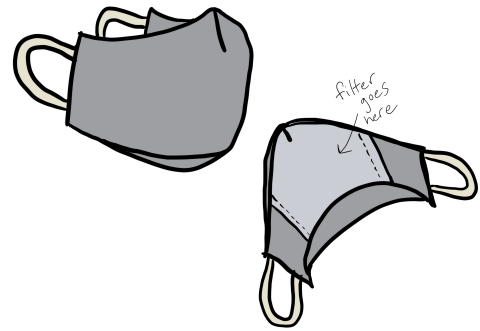


Fitted face mask sewing instructions

Materials:

Tightly woven cotton fabric for outer fabric and lining
Metal wire for the nose (2" long)
Elastic, shoelaces, or ribbons for ear loops or straps
Filter insert (optional)



*All seams 3/8 inch

1. Hem the sides of C: Fold the edge of each side 1/4" over , then fold it over 1/4" once again and iron. Top stitch.
2. Dart the nose: With right sides together and folded along the center, sew along the dotted line at the top of each piece A and C.
3. Place C on top of the lining fabric A, right sides up. Place outer fabric A wrong side up on top of piece C. Line up along the top edge, matching the notch on each side. Stitch between the notches about 1/8" or as close as you can to the top edge.
4. Curl ends of wire using pliers or hammer them flat so they don't poke through the fabric. Place the wire inside in between outer A and lining C pieces, touching the stitching between the notches. Sew a 3/8" seam from the top X across the whole top of the mask to the X on the other side, making sure wire is trapped between the two seams.
5. Sew from each notch on the top of A down to the seam. This creates a box to hold the wire in place.
6. Attach the outer chin: For the outer fabric, place B on top of A with right sides together, matching the center dot and dots at the side. Pin and then sew along the bottom. This seam will be curved so using pins helps.
7. Attach the lining chin: For the lining fabric, Place B on top of C and A, right sides together. Match the center dot on A, B, C, and dots at the side on A, B. Pin and then sew along the bottom, as you did in the step above.
8. Add the ear loops or straps: Attach the end of each ear loop onto the right side of the outer fabric piece A. Stitch them in place using a few stitches on the two X's at the sides. The loops should be curving toward the center of the mask with the ends pointed out to the side (opposite how you will wear it when finished). Adjust the length of the ear loops or straps as needed to fit.
9. With right sides together sew outer fabric B to lining B along the bottom, starting and stopping at the X.
10. Turn the mask right side out. Iron all the seams flat. Fold the edges on the sides about 1/4" in and top stitch along the side edge.
11. Bend the nose wire to fit and slide a filter insert into the pocket created by piece C.