



reversible bucket hat

Hats are a must for covering up young, delicate skin. This one has lots of style and sews up very quickly.

You can make it reversible with two favorite fabrics, or you could add a little pocket on the outside and complement it with a fun lining. Make one. Make two. Make enough to coordinate with each of your child's summer outfits or activities.

When making the hat, you'll sew a curve and apply topstitching. If you're relatively new to sewing but have successfully completed one or two other one-scissors projects in this book, you're definitely ready to take on this one.

SKILLS NEEDED

Sewing curved seam, Edgestitching, Topstitching

FINISHED SIZES

Extra-small, fits 6-12 M, inside crown measurement, 18" (small, 12-24 M, 19"; medium, 3-5, 20"; large, 6-8, 21")

(Measure your child's head to be sure you are making the correct size.)

MATERIALS

FABRIC A: 1/3 yd. of 44"-wide, light- to medium-weight cotton, for one side of hat

FABRIC B: 1/3 yd. of 44"-wide fabric of same type and weight as Fabric A, for other side of hat

 $\frac{1}{2}$ yd. of medium-weight sew-in interfacing, for brim

Coordinating thread

Hat pattern (see Pattern Sheet 2; Pattern 7, three pieces: A-C)



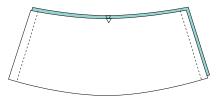




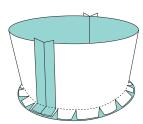
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ASSEMBLE THE CAP

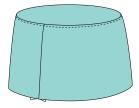
1. Starting with the cut Fabric A side panels, align and pin the two side panels, with right sides together. Stitch the side seams with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam; then press the seam allowances open, and trim them to $\frac{1}{4}$ ".



2. Pin the crown to the top of the side panels, matching the triple notches on the crown to those on the side panels and the crown's single notches to the side panels' side seams. Clip into the seam allowances of the side panels to make the side panels fit the crown; then join the sides and crown with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam.



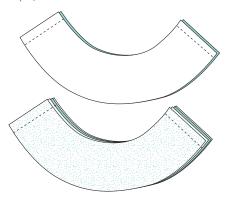
3. Finger-press the seam allowances toward the side panels; then edgestitch the seam allowances to the side panels, if desired, to give the top of the hat a finished look. Trim the remaining seam allowances to ½".



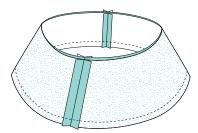
4. Repeat steps 1-3 to sew the second cap from Fabric B.

MAKE AND ATTACH THE BRIM

- **1.** Align and pin two cut Fabric A brims, with right sides together; and stitch the sides with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam. Press the seams open, and trim the seam allowances to $\frac{1}{8}$ ".
- **2.** Align and pin the interfacing pieces to the wrong side of the two Fabric B brims. Then align and pin these two "interfaced" Fabric B brim pieces, with the Fabric B sides together, and join the sides with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam. Press the seams open, and trim them to $\frac{1}{4}$ ", as in Step 1, above.

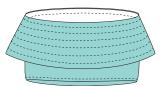


3. Align and pin the interfaced (Fabric B) and uninterfaced (Fabric A) brims, with right sides together. Stitch the outside edges together with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam; then trim the seam allowances to $\frac{1}{8}$ ".



4. Turn the brim right side out, and finger-press the edges before pressing them with an iron. Edgestitch or topstitch the outside edge with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. If you want, you can also topstitch a series of rows around the brim spaced $\frac{1}{4}$ " apart to give the bucket hat a sporty look and add additional stiffness to the brim.

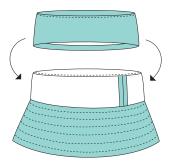
5. Align and pin the brim to the bottom edge of the Fabric A cap, with right sides together and clipping into the brim's seam allowances to make the two edges fit. Stitch through all the layers to attach the brim to the cap with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam.



6. Trim the seam allowances to $\frac{1}{4}$ "; then turn the hat wrong side out.

FINISH THE HAT

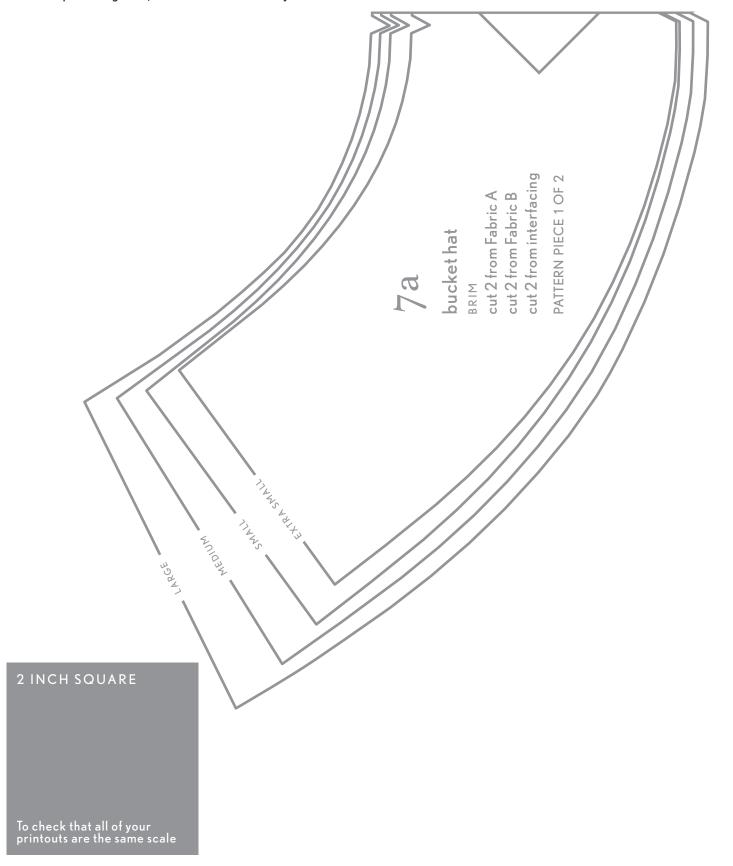
- **1.** Fold and press the bottom edges of the Fabric B cap toward the wrong side by $\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- **2.** Fit and pin the Fabric B cap over the Fabric A cap, with wrong sides together and the side seams aligned. Hand-stitch the Fabric B cap's folded edge to the hat with a blindstitch, covering the seam line.



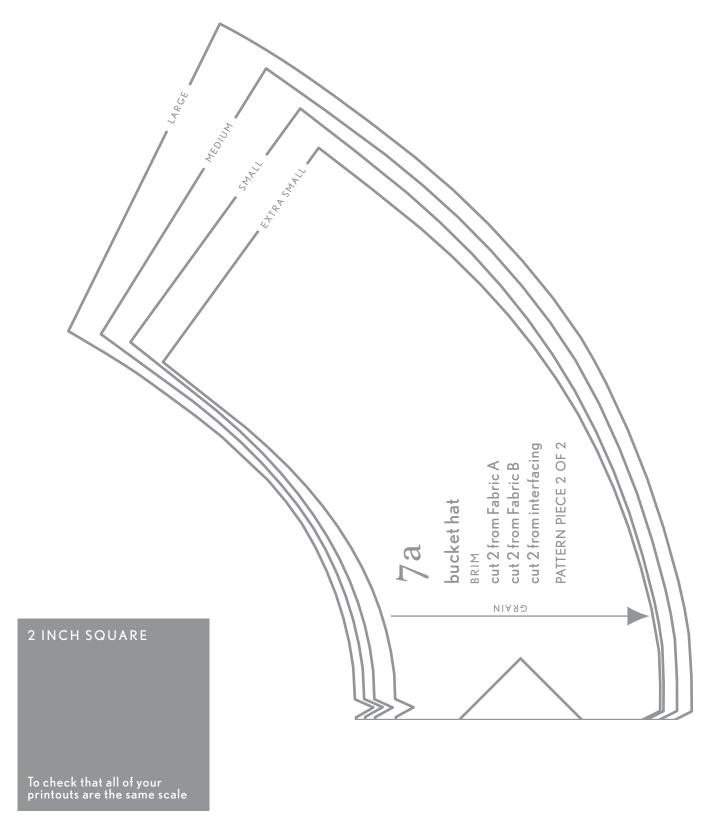
Turn the hat so that the Fabric A side is right side out again, and edgestitch the seam where the side panels and brim meet. This seam will help to secure the two sides of the hat, so they stay together.

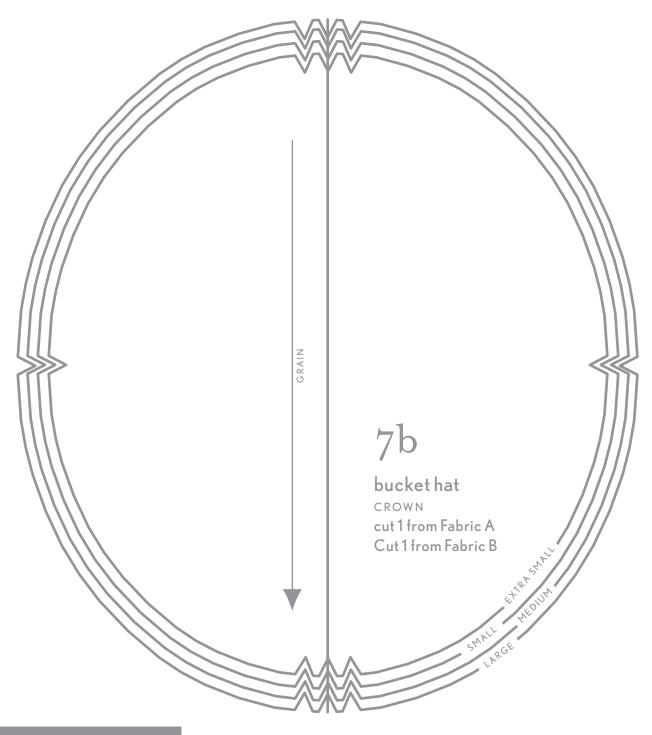


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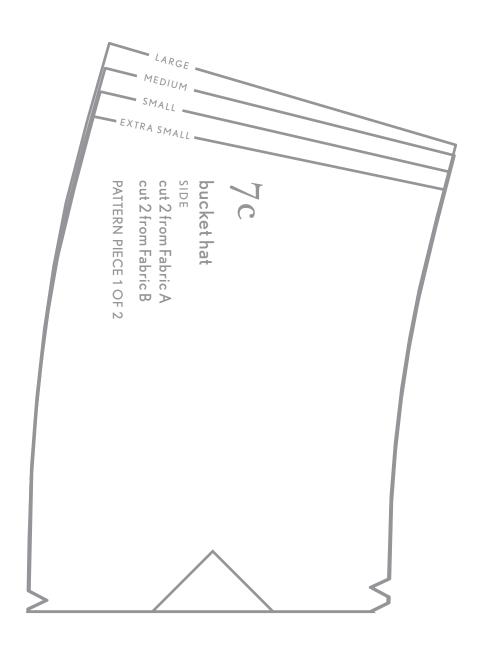




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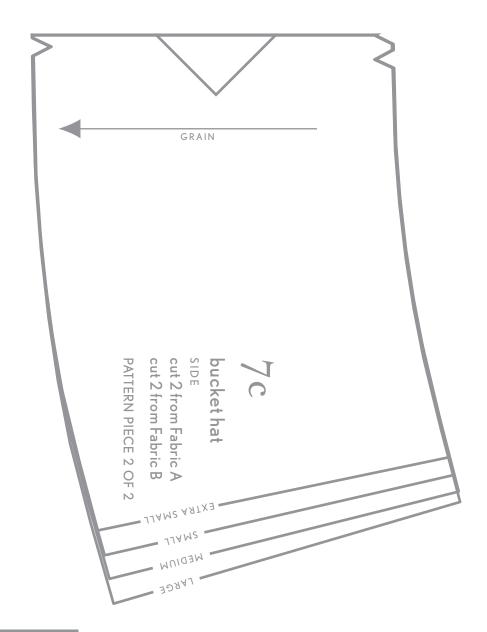
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