



sewing project of the month

child's cape for halloween



What you need:

- 1 ¼ yard of 60" wide polyester/cotton fabric
- Thread to match fabric
- 2 ½ yards of matching Bias Tape Hem Facing for neck strap.
- 2" of ¾" wide Velcro

*Remember to always read directions a few times so that all steps are very clear. This makes sewing so much faster and easier! 😊



The raw selvage edges will make up the side of the cape. The cut edges will make up the top & bottom of the cape.

(If you have fabric that has a different color or writing running down the selvages you will need to double fold the selvages in towards the wrong side of the cape and stitch them down.)

Square up the top and bottom of the cut edges of your fabric.

Bottom of the cape: Fold the raw edge ½" towards wrong side of fabric, and iron. Fold another ½", iron, pin and topstitch 3/8" from outer edge.



Top of the cape, make a casing for the neck strap:

Zigzag the cut edge of fabric. Fold the edge over ½" toward wrong side of fabric, and iron down.



Next fold over again 1 1/8" and topstitch 1" in from outer edge to create a casing.



Cut a 25 ½" length of the bias tape. Fold each end over ½" towards the wrong side of the bias tape, iron, pin and stitch down.



Fold the bias tape together lengthwise, wrong sides together, iron, pin and stitch edges together.



Stitch again close to the folded edge.



Place a safety pin through the end of the strap; this will help when threading strap through the casing.



Thread the strap through the casing.



Gather the cape fabric up leaving 6" of neck strap showing on each side.



Stitch the cape down at the 6" mark so that the strap does not fall out of casing.



Cut a 2" long piece of Velcro (fuzzy and loop side).



Place Velcro closures near the ends of the straps to fasten the cape.

When putting the cape on, place the sides of the cape over the shoulders so that the cape doesn't pull on the neck.



The finished project!