

Our linen is nothing short of addicting

## APRON IN IL073



### WHAT YOU WILL NEED

3 Yards of IL073 FS linen
Matching thread like Gutermann Mara 118 or Sew-All 722
Size 100/16 or denim sewing machine needle
AND/OR

Embroidery floss and strong hand sewing needle

Available in One Size - Easily Adjustable

# SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

#### PRE-WASH

Pre-wash on gentle, machine dry on low, and iron while still a little damp, then hang to dry 100%. Repeat if necessary. Don't stress about the rippling selvedges, we will be cutting them away. The selvedges ripple because they are woven differently from the rest of the fabric and don't shrink at the same rate.



#### STEP 1

Cut the fabric into 3 sections:

Apron Body: 15" long Apron Skirt: 40" long Apron Straps: 30" long



#### STEP 2

Set aside the straps piece for now. Take the body and skirt pieces and trim away the selvedges. I measured 1" away from the largest blue line.



#### STEP 3

Fold the sides edges of the body and skirt of the apron ½" twice. The stripes will be running vertically on the body and horizontally on the skirt.



#### STEP 4

Top stitch close to the inner folded edges, approximately 1/16" to finish your hem. The image above is showing the body piece laying to the side. The image below shows both pieces





STEP 5

Mark the center point of the skirt and the body as shown. Place them with the right sides together, matching these marks. Pin.



STEP 6

Sew the body and skirt together with a 1" seam. Press open. Clip corners if desired.



#### STEP 7

Finish all of the remaining raw edges on the body and skirt by folding the fabric ½" twice. When you get to the previously sewn seam where the body and skirt meet, simply fold ½" under.



#### STEP 8

Topstitch close to the inner edge as you did with the other hems, if your machine is struggling to sew through the thick parts, you can sew these closed by hand, or even consider a mitered corner, or bias binding the edge.

Set aside your apron for now, and get the straps piece.

Tips for sewing through thick fabric with your sewing machine:

- Consider getting yourself a 'hump jumper' to help you sew over bulky sections
- Make sure you are using a strong, heavy duty needle for your fabric, we suggested a size 100/16 needle, these are also called heavy duty needles or denim needles.



#### STEP 9

Cut  $2 \times 5$ " wide pieces for your straps Try to make these identical with the stripe on the fabric. I cut mine from each edge of the fabric, and I'll turn my middle left over stripes into pot holders or even a cleaning cloth



**STEP 10** 

Fold each strap in half with right sides together matching the long edge. Sew a ½" seam. Turn right-side-out, and press. Tuck in each end and sew closed. Optional: Top stitch 1/8" to ¼" on each long edge of your straps.



**STEP 11** 

Pin your straps to the wrong side of the top corners of the body, then cross over the straps and pin them to the edge of the skirt. Then sew in place by hand with some embroidery thread, or you could even sew them in place with a large button.





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