The Little Dress

FREE PROJECT

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SIZES: 4, 6, 8 & 10

Fabric A
HG-7409
Labyrinth
Flamingo

Fabric B
HG-7402
Euphoria
Juneberry

Featuring
HYPERREAL GARDEN COLLECTION

MATERIALS

½ yd of Fabric A
1 yd of Fabric B

CUTTING DIRECTIONS

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INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1. Make Bodice

• Grab both fabric A bodice pieces and press the fold. Make sure you fold with WRONG sides facing together. (DIAGRAM 1)

DIAGRAM 1

• Place one on top of the other, aligning folded edges. (DIAGRAM 2)

DIAGRAM 2

• With a ½" seam allowance, sew along both short edges (left and right). Serge the side raw edges (seam allowance). (DIAGRAM 3)

DIAGRAM 3
Step 2. Make Skirt

- Grab one of the fabric B skirt panels.
- Make a basting stitch along one of the LONG sides of the panel (TOP), with a ½" seam allowance.
- Gather the stitch lines by gently pulling on each thread tail until the top edge reduces its size to the size of the bodice. (DIAGRAM 4)
- Repeat with the remaining skirt panel.
- With the gathered edges on top, place and align both skirt panels (right sides facing together).
- Sew on the right & left edges (side seams) with a ½" seam allowance.
- Serge left & right edges. (DIAGRAM 5)
- Turn skirt right side out.

Step 3. Attach Bodice to Skirt

- Place the bodice on top of your working surface, with the fold pointing down.
- Insert the skirt through the opening of the bodice, aligning the basted raw edges of the skirt with the raw edges of the bodice.
- Stitch along the top edge with a ½" seam allowance. (DIAGRAM 6)
- Serge the raw edges.

Step 4. Make & Apply Straps

- Grab one fabric A strip, fold the entire strip in half lengthwise, RIGHT sides together, and sew all around using a ¼" seam allowance. Leave 2" opening. (DIAGRAM 7)
- Use a turning tool to turn the tube right side out.
- Close the opening by hand. Press.
- Repeat with remaining fabric strip.
- Turn the dress WRONG side out and measure 2" from each top corner of the bodice (front & back). Make marks for straps placement.
- Pin the straps in place.
- Stitch the straps ¼" from the fold (top edge), make sure you do it on the wrong side of the dress. (DIAGRAM 8)

Step 5. Make Hem

- Take the dress to the ironing board and with the wrong side facing up, fold up ½" from the raw edge. Press.
- Fold ½" again into itself. Press to create an accurate seam allowance.
- Take the dress back to the sewing machine. Make sure you start sewing on the side seam.
- Make a top-stitch ⅛" from the folded edge.
- Backstitch when you reach the same point where you started.
Step 6. Make & Apply Flowers

• Grab the 2½”×15” strip of fabric B and fold one short end ¼” towards the wrong side and press. Fold the entire piece in half lengthwise, matching wrong sides.

• Make a ¼” basting stitch along the opened side. Gather the basting stitching line by gently pulling on each thread tail.

• Fold the raw edge short end inwards, twice. Secure in place with hand stitches. (DIAGRAM 9)

• Continue to roll the strip into itself, taking a hand-stitch every half turn. Secure from the back.

DIAGRAM 9

• Place the flowers where the handles and the bodice meet. Secure with hand stitches. (DIAGRAM 10)