‘FORGET ME KNOT’ DRESS

E-PATTERN SIZES 2 - 6 YRS.

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How to Use this Pattern:
This pattern is a downloadable PDF, your printer needs to be set to NO SCALING (Print at 100%). Lay out the pieces of paper and and match paper corners to corresponding letters. Do NOT overlap the paper. Simply butt up next to each other, and tape together. See the following page for printing out your pattern size instructions.

Supplies:
- 1.25 - 1.5 yd Exterior Fabric
- .5 yd Lining
- Basic Sewing Essentials (sewing machine, thread, etc)

Fabrics:
Cotton & cotton blends, seersucker, muslin, broadcloth, lined eyelet, denim, linen & linen blends

Description:
This dress is the perfect go to dress for any occasion! With its cute bow ties on the shoulder and back, as well as tied bottom skirt sides and circular back cut out - your child is sure to turn heads. Make it as a mini or in tea length! Perfect for an experienced beginner sewist!
Cutting out the Pattern:
Print out the Pattern at 100% (DO NOT SCALE!)

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Cut out the pieces as instructed on the Pattern Pages
You will have:
(1) Front Bodice *Exterior*
(1) Front Bodice *Lining*
(2) Back Bodice *Exterior*
(2) Back Bodice *Lining*
(2) Bodice Straps *Exterior*
(2) Bodice Straps *Lining*
(4) Bottom Straps *Exterior*
(4) Bottom Straps *Lining*

Cut skirt pieces as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Skirt Front:</th>
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<td>Cut (1) of Exterior Fabric:</td>
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Sewing it Together:
Cut out pattern pieces from your fabric as instructed.

First, finish all side edges of your skirt pieces. It is not necessary to use a serger, you can also use pinking sheers to cut down on fraying - or zigzag stitch along the edge. Once you have finished your side edges, you can start sewing the skirt pieces together.

Take the front of your skirt & 1 panel of the back of your skirt and place right sides together along the side edge. Pin and sew along edge, stopping 4” short of the bottom. See Photo Above. Repeat for other side.

Now, take your side seam and Press open. Stitch down the open end seam that was left unsewn. See Photo:

Start from the bottom of one edge, and sew up and around, securing the open raw edge of the seam to the wrong side of fabric.
Hem all around the bottom of the skirt, the front piece & the back pieces.
Turn under ¼” towards wrong side. Press. Turn under again ½”, Press and Sew.

Now, take (1) exterior bottom strap piece, and (1) lining bottom strap piece and place right sides together - matching all edges. Pin & sew around the sides and top diagonal, leaving the bottom straight edge open. Clip the corner seams close to the stitching. Turn right side out and Press. Edge Stitch. Repeat for (3) remaining bottom straps pieces - giving you (4) completed pieces altogether.

Turn the bottom edge of each strap towards EXTERIOR fabric ¼” & Press.

Place 1 strap along the bottom edge of the side seam of your skirt, and pin along bottom edge, with the inside of the strap along the wrong side of your skirt fabric. Sew the strap on in a rectangle enclosing the side raw edge of the strap. Repeat for all bottom edge sides of the skirt.
Now, place the skirt right sides together matching up the back seam and Sew. Finish seam with either a serger, zig zag stitch or pinking sheers. Set aside skirt for the moment.

Take your bodice back piece and (1) bodice strap. Place the short, straight edge right sides together to the upper back center and Pin. Sew, and repeat for other bodice back side and bodice strap. See Photo on right.

Take the Front Bodice Dress piece and place right sides together with the Back bodice dress piece, matching up the side seam. Pin and Sew. See Photo on Left.

Repeat for other side.

You will now have something that looks like this:
Fold bodice in half right sides together, and match up the back centers.

Pin the very bottom of the back together, underneath the circle. Sew.

See Photo on left.

Take the bottom of the bodice now, and fold under ¼” towards wrong side of fabric and Press. See Photo on Right.

Repeat for Lining.

Place the lining and the exterior bodice right sides together, matching all edges. Pin & sew around entire outer / upper edge, leaving only the bottom of the bodice open.

Trim all seam allowance close to sewn edge, and turn. Use your finger or a blunt edge pointer to be sure to get the corners out. Press and edge stitch all around. See Photos on Left.
Now, picking back up your skirt, sew a line of gathering stitches around top edge, starting and stopping at the back seam opening. Gather stitches until skirt is approximately the same length as the bottom of your bodice.

See Photo on Left.

Now you can attach your skirt to the bodice in one of two ways.

The time saving method:

Sandwich your skirts gathered edge in the middle of your bodice pieces and pin. Line up the back seam of the skirt with the back bodice seam, as well as the skirt side seams and bodice side seams. All of the skirt should be tucked up under the bodice. Try to make gathers as even as possible. This may take some trial and error getting it just right. Pin the bodice and skirt together, making sure you catch the exterior bodice and the lining bodice together in your pin.

Sew along the bottom of the bodice, as close to the edge as possible (about ¼” seam allowance). This will ensure that you catch the back of the bodice as well.
seams and back seams. See Above Photo.

Sew together. Flip bodice right side up, and whipstitch lining down to secure.

Simply tie all the straps in knots, and you are finished!

Or the more professional method:

Slip the bodice over the top of the skirt right sides together, matching the raw edge seams. Pin the skirt to the exterior bodice - be sure to match all side
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BOTTOM STRAP

Cut (4) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

All sizes
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‘FRONT BODICE’

Cut (1) on Fold of:
- Exterior
- Lining
'FRONT BODICE'

Cut (1) on Fold of:
- Exterior
- Lining

Size 2
Size 3
Size 4
Size 5
Size 6
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Cut (2) of:
   - Exterior
   - Lining

‘BODICE STRAP’
Size 2

‘BODICE BACK’
Cut (2) of:
   - Exterior
   - Lining
‘BODICE BACK’

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

Size 2

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'BODICE STRAP'
Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

'BODICE BACK'
Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

Size 3
‘BODICE BACK’

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

Size 3

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Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

‘BODICE STRAP’

‘BODICE BACK’
Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining
‘BODICE BACK’

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

Size 4

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'BODICE STRAP'
Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

‘BODICE BACK’
Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining
"FORGET ME NOT" DRESS

"SEW CRAZY"

'BODICE BACK'

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

'BODICE STRAP'

Size 5

Size 5
‘BODICE BACK’

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior, - Lining

Size 5

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'BODICE STRAP'
Size 6

'BODICE BACK'

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

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'BODICE BACK'

Cut (2) of:
- Exterior
- Lining

Size 6