







# Embroidered Baby Bibs

Here's a clever Baby Bib with three layers of protection for keeping baby cleaner and drier during breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Practical with personality plus! Customize each bib your own choice of design and fun trims. Personalize with baby's name.

Make them by the dozen for your own babies, or for the perfect shower gift. Every mom on the block will appreciate these adorable and absorbent baby bibs!

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\*\* 14 x 16 inch piece of terry cloth

\*\* 14 x 16 inch piece of cotton flannel

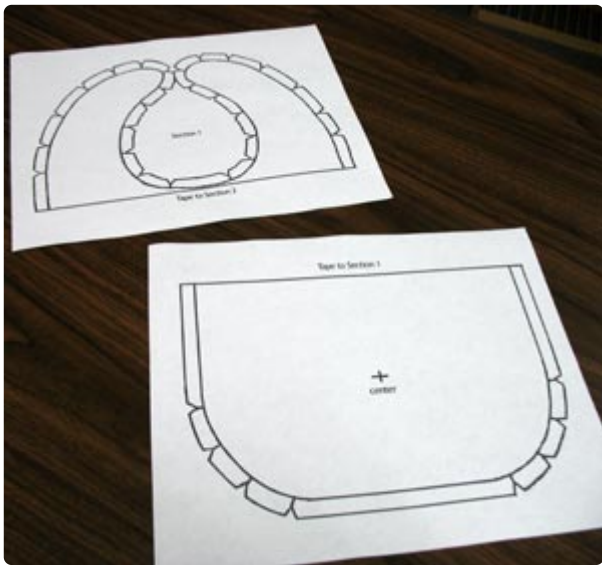
\*\* 14 x 16 inch piece of rubber liner (or use any thin waterproof fabric like vinyl)

\*\* Cut-away stabilizer

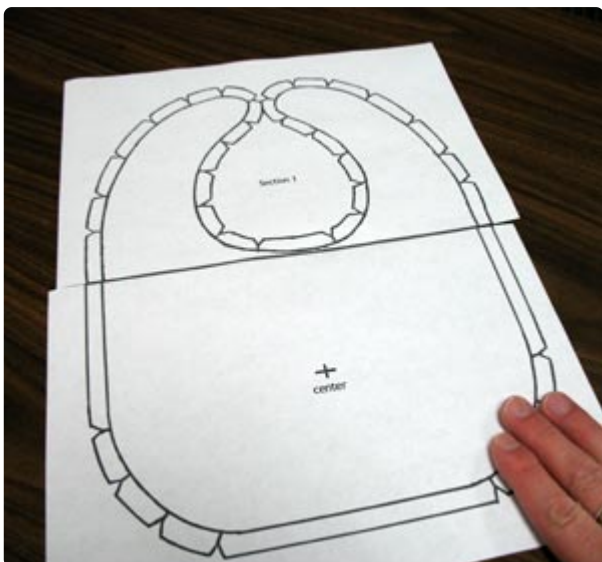
\*\* Temporary spray adhesive



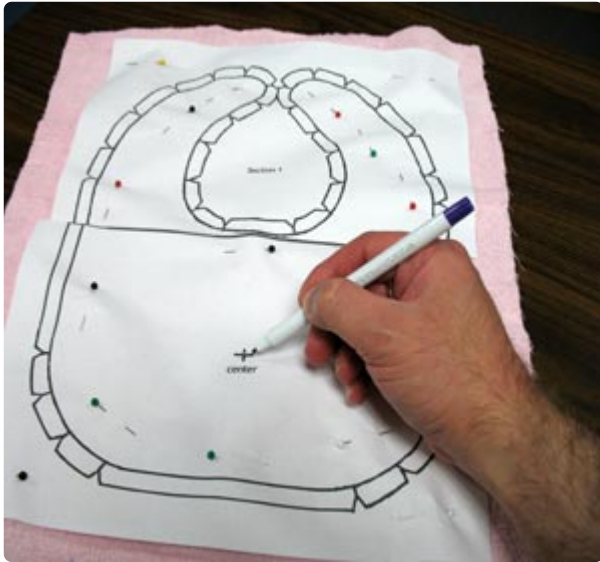
# Steps To Complete



The bib pattern is split in two sections which will print on two sheets of paper.



Trim the paper along the flat sides of both sections. Align the sections and tape them together. Do not trim along the outer shapes just yet.



Lay the terry cloth right side up on the table and pin the pattern in place.

Poke a hole through the center; mark with an air-erase pen to mark the fabric.



Cut out the shape of the pattern, including the notches.

Remove the pattern.

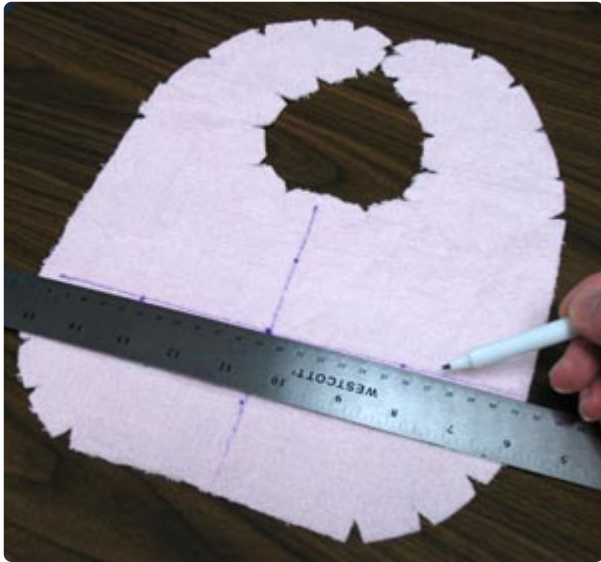


Print out the design at full size using embroidery software.

Trim around the design to a manageable size.

Find the center of the design and poke a hole through the paper with the air-erase pen.

Position the design and mark the horizontal and vertical axis points on the fabric.



Remove the templates and draw lines on the fabric connecting the horizontal and vertical axis lines.

These lines will be used for hooping.



Hoop the fabric with cut-away stabilizer that has been sprayed with temporary adhesive and with one layer of water-soluble stabilizer (WSS) on top of the fabric.

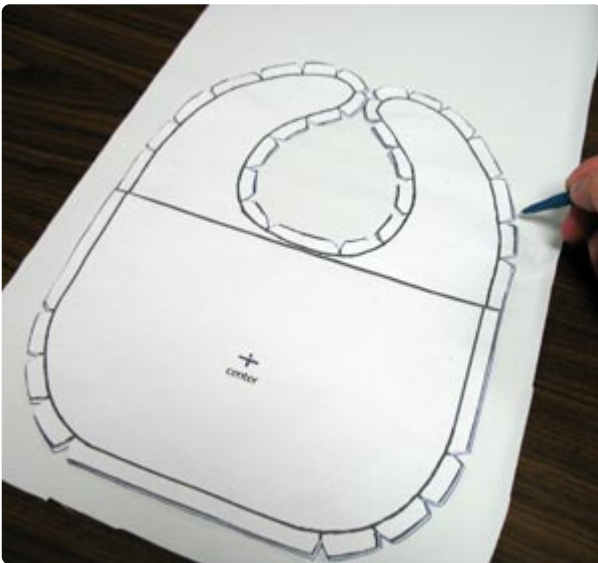
(The WSS will prevent the stitches from sinking into the loops of the terry cloth fabric.)

Hoop the WSS, fabric, and cut-away stabilizer together by aligning the marks on the fabric with the lines on the hoop.

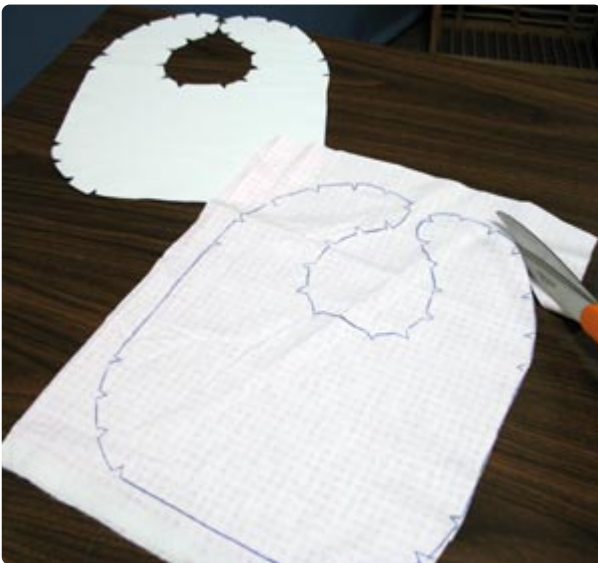


Attach the hoop to the machine, and load the design. Move the hoop so the needle is directly over the center point on the fabric, and embroider the design.

After the design has finished embroidering, unhoop the fabric and carefully trim away the excess stabilizer, leaving about 1/2 inch of the stabilizer around the design.



Trace the pattern on the rubber fabric. Cut out the shape..



Lay the soft cotton flannel wrong side up and trace the bib pattern. Cut out the shape.





Assemble the three layers for sewing. Lay the front piece right side (embroidered side) up. Align the back piece on top of the front piece with the right side down. Add the liner on top of the back piece.

**Optional:**



To add the decorative trim, lay the trim between the front and back layers with the trim facing in. Start the trim at the top of the "U" shape. Pin through all the layers as you lay the trim.

If you are not adding trim, simply pin the three layers together. You can add bias tape to finish the edge later in the instructions.



Sew a  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch seam along the sides and top edges; do not sew the bottom edge between the two bottom notches.

To do this, start sewing a seam at one of the bottom notches and work your way up and around to the other bottom notch.



To reduce the bulk of the seams, carefully trim away the outer edge of the rubber liner leaving  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch excess in the seam allowance.



Turn the bib right side out and fold in the top and bottom layers of the opening  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch.

Align the layers of trim and pin in place.



Cut a 1 1/2 inch strip of Velcro. Pin the hook side on the end of the right side of the bib and pin the loop side on the left end facing down.



Sew a seam around the edges of each Velcro piece.



Sew a 3/8 inch top stitch seam around the entire outer edge of the bib.

If you did not add trim to your bib, you can use bias tape to finish the outside edge.



First, fold the starting end of the tape inward, and fold it over the edge of the bib, starting at the top of the "U" shape. Zigzag stitch along the inner edge of the tape. Be careful to keep the tape even as you sew so that the back side of the tape gets sewn in place. When you reach about 1 1/2 inches from the top of the other side of the "U", trim the tape, fold in the end and sew the remainder in place.



Sew a 3/8 inch top stitch along the edge of the inner part of the "U"



Let's do lunch! Just add pureed vegetables and a hungry baby to see this bib in action!

The rubber liner and soft flannel back keep baby's clothes dry and protected during messy mealtimes.