

Easy Full Size Men's Apron

FABRIC REQUIREMENT:

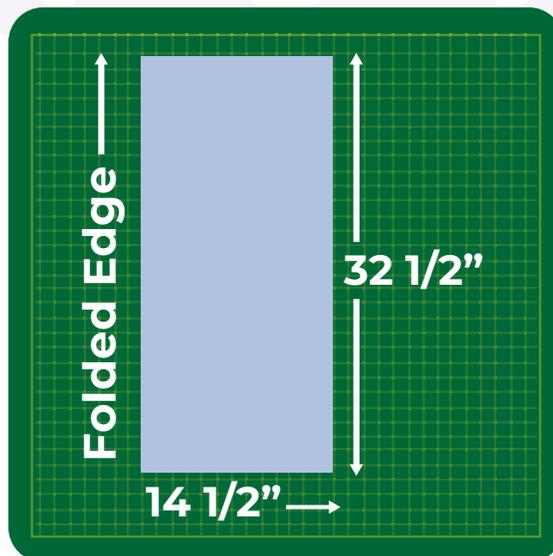
- 1 ¼ yard denim – 54" wide

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut one 29" x width of fabric:
 - Sub cut 32 ½" x 29" for apron base. Save excess for pocket(s)
2. Cut (3) 4" x width of fabric:
 - Sub cut (2) 37" x 4" using one selvedge edge as an end (apron ties)
 - Sub cut (1) 25" x 4" cutting off selvedge edge (neck band)

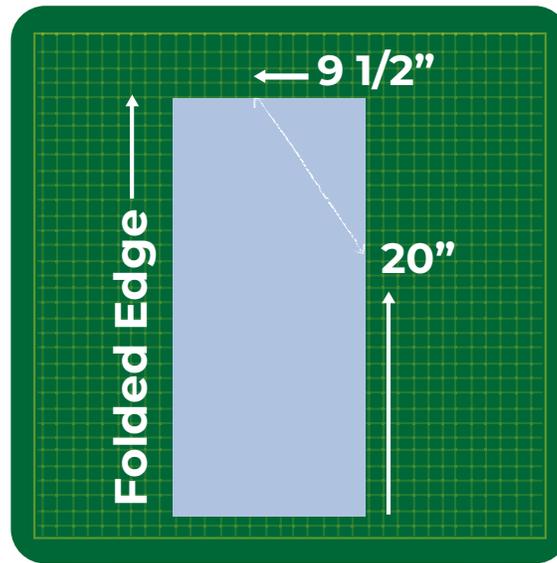
APRON INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fold apron base in half lengthwise (14 ½" x 32 ½") – Refer to example 1 below

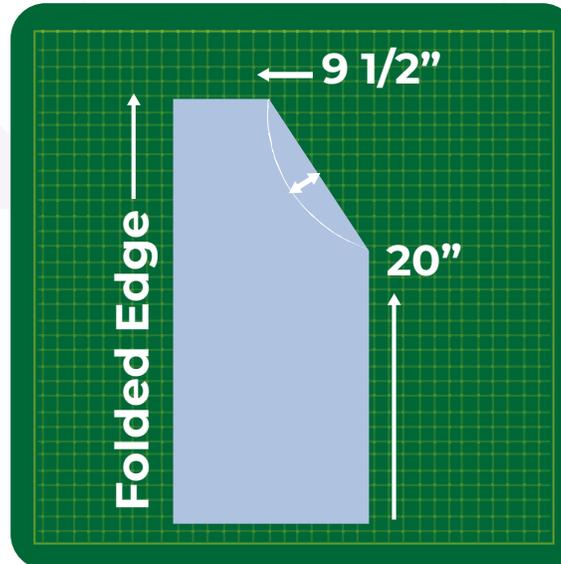


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- 2.** Measure in 9 ½" from raw edges on top (opposite fold) and mark with chalk. Measure up from bottom edge 20" (opposite fold) and mark with chalk (see example 2)



- 3.** Place ruler through both points and cut off the corner.
- 4.** Using this cut line, measure in approximately 2" from the center of the cut line (see example 3) and draw a gradual curve from the top of cut line, through the 2" point, and curve back to bottom of cut line.



- 5.** Turn curved line to inside using ½" seam allowance. Press; turn under a second time and press. This curved edge is on the bias so it is very easy to turn.
- 6.** Hold with wonder clips or double-sided tape. Repeat on opposite edge.
- 7.** Turn under the top, sides, and bottom of apron in the same manner, securing with clips.
- 8.** Top stitch from wrong side of apron.

APRON TIES & NECK BAND

- 1.** Press in half lengthwise, wrong sides together. Open and press the two long edges into the center crease, then press in half. You will end up with a tie that is approximately one inch wide and 37 inches long.
- 2.** Repeat with the other tie and neck band (25" x 1").
- 3.** Top stitch the entire perimeter of each of the three pieces.
- 4.** Use a zig zag stitch to finish the raw short edge on two sides of the neck band and one edge of each tie.
- 5.** The selvedge edge on each of the ties will be the hanging part of the ties. The raw edges will get sewn to the apron (after the raw edge has been finished with the zig zag stitch). Set aside until the pockets are added.

POCKETS

NOTE You can add as many pockets as desired. The video sample has one long pocket 5" from the bottom edge, and two random pockets for wood worker's square and cell phone.

All pockets are added the same way. To determine the size to cut your fabric, take the desired pocket size and add two inches (approximate) to this measurement on both the length and the width. For example, the video uses a pocket measuring 17" wide and 7 ½" deep. Fabric is cut 19" wide by 9 ½" deep.

- 1.** Turn under the raw edge of pocket top two times, approximately ½" wide; since denim is heavier than cotton fabric, a ½" seam allowance is much easier than the standard ¼" seam allowance. Top stitch from the wrong side.
- 2.** Turn under the side edges ½" twice and clip with wonder clips; the bottom edge will not be turned under at this time.
- 3.** Mark a line approximately five inches from the bottom of the finished apron bottom.
- 4.** With the apron face up and pocket face down, place the raw edge of the pocket against the drawn line; note that the finished top of the pocket will be pointing down and will hang beyond the bottom of the apron.
- 5.** Stitch the raw edge using 3/8" seam allowance (use the edge of the presser foot). Zig zag the raw edge after stitching in the seam allowance to reinforce and finish this raw edge.
- 6.** Press the pocket up making sure the side seams remain pressed under. The pocket is now oriented correctly. Pin in place and top stitch the sides and bottom in place.
- 7.** Using a chalk pen, mark the dividing lines for your pocket. Stitch in the ditch on these lines reinforcing the start and stop points.

8. Add additional pockets as desired.

ADDING THE TIES

1. To add the ties, place the tie on the wrong side of apron at the top of each side (approximately 20" from the bottom) with the ties facing out beyond the apron side. Make sure the zig zagged edge extends in just beyond the previous top stitching line.

2. Sew in place using the top stitching line as your guide. Reinforce the seam by top stitching again from the front side using your narrow edge joining foot.

3. The neck tie will be added in the same way at the top two corners of the apron.

ALL DONE! Your apron is now ready for use! Be creative adding pockets of different colors or embellish with embroidery to create a unique barbecue, woodworking, etc. type of apron.

Watch our demo: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=InIb2vsv7hg>

