Free Stay Dry Drooler Bib Pattern

courtesy of <u>Pattern Revolution</u> and <u>I Like Big Buttons!</u>





These bibs are one of my favorite things to make as baby gifts and were my best selling item in my Etsy shop for years. They are the perfect size for infants and crawling babies, and the cuddle fleece on the back side wicks moisture away from the surface. This allows the cotton top to dry quickly and keeps your baby's chin, neck, and chest dry. Although you could use velcro, I've found that the best closure for these bibs are Kam snaps. They don't scratch the baby's neck and they don't stick to your cute underwear in the wash, plus the baby can't easily pull them off. Make these as gifts, make them for your own baby, or make them to sell on a small scale. Enjoy!

Supplies Needed:

- Free Stay Dry Drooler Bib PDF Pattern
- Cotton woven fabric scraps 11"x11" or larger
- Cuddle Fleece fabric scraps 12"x12" or larger
- Kam Snaps and Snap Press
- Rotary cutter or scissors
- Dowel
- Sewing machine, needle, and thread. Walking foot optional.
- Iron

Preparing to sew

- 1. Print your pattern. Cut out the pattern along the solid line.
- 2. Fold your main fabric in half, wrong sides together and place the pattern along the fold line as indicated on the pattern. Cut around the outside and neckline.



I like to make lots of these at once, so here are mine. Do not cut the fleece yet.



3. Place your main woven fabric and your cuddle fleece right sides together and pin along the edge of the main woven fabric. If you are making multiple bibs at once, lay all of the bib tops down on the fleece and pin, then cut the fleece between the bib tops with a rotary cutter or







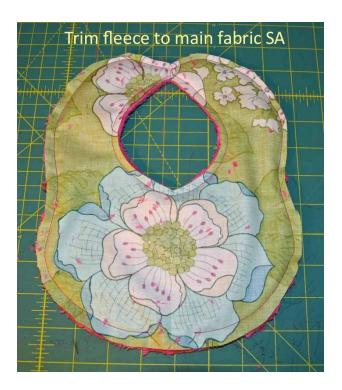
4. Starting at the top right strap, sew around the outside of the bib using a **%**" **SA**. Remember to leave a 2" hole at the bottom of the bib for turning and to backstitch each time you start or stop sewing.



5. When you reach the top left strap and turn the bib to start sewing the neckline, switch to a 1/4" **SA** and sew all the way around the neckline, ending where you first began sewing.



6. Trim the fleece to match the SA of the woven fabric. At the top of the straps, trim beyond the **SA to** $\frac{1}{8}$ " to reduce bulk.



7. Turn the bib right side out through the opening. Roll the seams out with your fingers and/or use a dowel to press out seams.



8. At the opening, carefully fold both the main fabric and the fleece inside to match the seam allowance. If your bib is wonky, you can easily stretch and maneuver the fleece so that it will lay nicely. It is normal to have a little fleece peeking out from the back side of the bib. Press the entire bib and pin the opening closed.



9. Topstitch all the way around the bib using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Be careful at the bottom to make sure you catching all the layers and closing your opening. You do not have to slipstitch the opening since you closed it with your topstitching, but you can if you prefer the method of finishing.





10. <u>Apply your snaps</u> using a Kam snap press or pliers. Before you squeeze the press, be sure that you have your snaps set in the proper orientation. I like to put a stud and the male snap on the left strap facing down and stud and a female snap on the right strap facing up.



11. Test your snaps.







That's it; you're done!

