

Kangaroo Care Halter

Inspiration: Vija Designs Halter Straps Kangaroo Tube



Fabric: 94% cotton, 6% spandex jersey (40% horizontal stretch)

Seam Allowance (SA): 1/4"

Hem: 1/2"

Pattern Pieces and notions:

Front Center- cut 1 on fold and mark elastic points on the wrong side

Front Interior- cut 2 mirrored

Back Bodice- cut 1 on fold

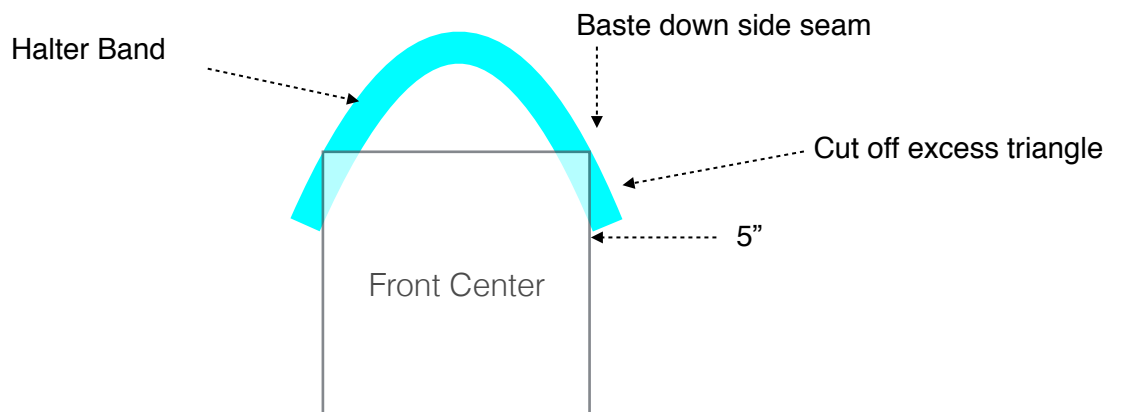
Bottom band- 6"x 31" (stretch on 31")

Halter Band- 5"x24" (stretch on 24")

1" Fold Over Elastic (FOE)- 10"

1/4" elastic- cut 2 pieces of 7.5"

1. Hem the following pieces with a 1/2" hem: Front Center (top of the band) , Front Interior (top of both pieces), Back Bodice (top of the piece), Halter Band (top and bottom of the band).
2. Front Center- mark 1/4" elastic 1/2" from each end. Stretch elastic to the pattern markings on the wrong side of the fabric. Zig zag onto the SA. Set aside.
3. Front interior- Overlap pieces with the right sides facing up and sew the FOE at the bottom of the pattern connecting both pieces. Lay out Back Bodice wrong side up and then lay the Front Interior pieces right side down. Baste pieces together with the Front Interior 1" down from the top hem of the Back Bodice. Set aside.
4. Halter band- Sew a gather stitch on the line drawn on the pattern. Adjust gather to be 5" long. At the side seam of the Front Center piece, measure 5" from the top hem and mark. With the wrong side of the Halter Band and the right side of the Front Center together, aline halter band so that the bottom part of the Halter band meets the 5" side seam marking and the gather stitch stretches to the top hem of the Front Center piece. Baste pieces together and cut off excess triangle.

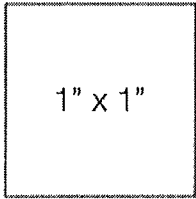


5. Back Bodice- lay Front Center and Back Bodice pieces with right sides together. Match up side seams ensuring top hems are lined up. Serge or use a stretch stitch to sew together, be careful not to cut off elastic.

6. Bottom band- With right sides together, sew short ends together making a loop. Fold wrong sides of the long ends together creating a folded tube, mark quarters of the band and then mark quarters of the bottom of the shirt. With right sides together (shirt and band), match the quarter markings and sew with a stretch stitch or a serger.

I hope you were able to make an awesome Kangaroo top to have a great skin-to-skin experience. Please remember that this is not a hands-free baby wearing top, this is meant to be worn while sitting down and when you have a free hand available to hold baby securely to your chest.

Front Center
cut 1 on fold
1 of 2

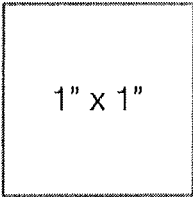


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1" x 1"

Back Bodice
4 of 4

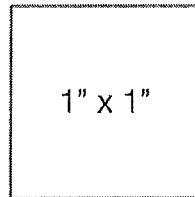


Back
bodice
30F4

Halter neckband
cut 1 on fold

1 of 2

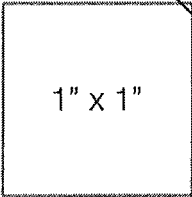
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Front interior
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Halter neckband
2 of 2

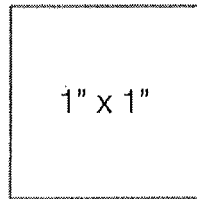
mark line on fabric



Bottom

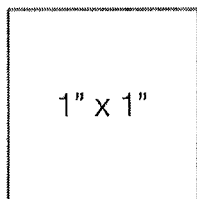
Front Interior
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Front Center
2 of 2



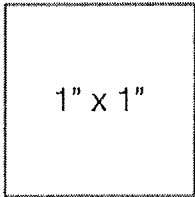
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Back Bodice
cut 1 on fold
1 of 4

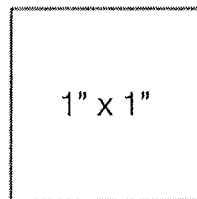


Back Bodice

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Front Interior
2 of 4



Front Interior
cut 2
mirrored
1 of 4

