

Doll Skirt with Elastic Waist



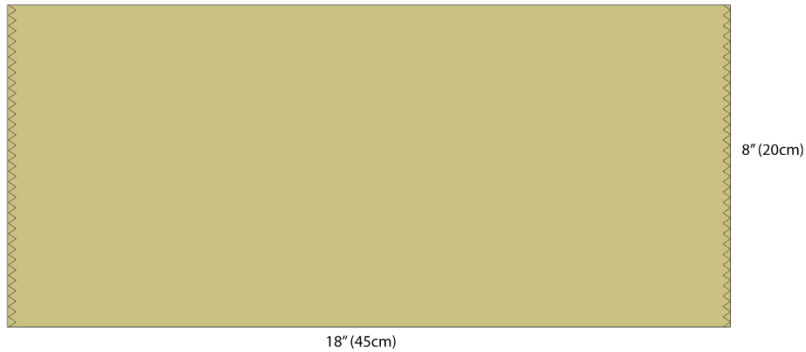
Bring a ragdoll to life with this fun and creative sewing project!

What you need

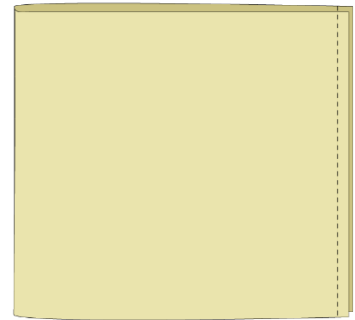
- Fabric
- Elastic 3/8" (1cm) wide
- Scissors
- Sewing Machine
- Thread
- Straight pins
- Safety Pin (for threading elastic)
- Iron and Ironing Board

Directions

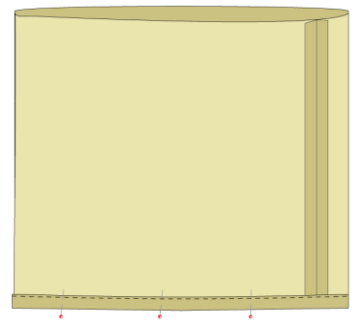
1. **Cut the Fabric.** Cut a rectangular piece of fabric 18" x 8" (45cm x 20cm).
2. **Prepare the Fabric.** Set your sewing machine for zig zag and overcast the short edges.



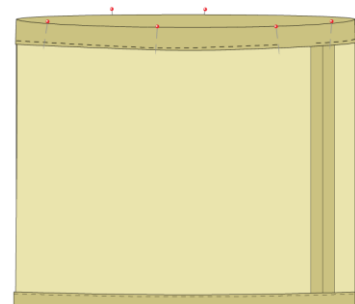
3. **Sew the Skirt.** Fold the skirt piece in half, right sides together. Stitch along the center back seam using $\frac{1}{4}$ " (6mm) seam allowance. Press the seam open.



4. **Hem the Skirt.** Fold the bottom edge $\frac{3}{8}$ " (1cm) to the back and press. Fold again to hide the raw edges, pin the fold in place, and sew a straight stitch along the fold to create a neat hem.



5. **Create Waistband Casing.** Fold over the top edge of the fabric $\frac{3}{4}$ " (1cm) to the wrong side. Fold again to hide the raw edge, about $\frac{3}{4}$ " (1,5cm), leaving enough room to insert the elastic band. Press the fold in place. Pin the waistband fold around the edge of the skirt, and sew a straight line near the edge, leaving a small opening to insert the elastic.



- Secure the Elastic.** Cut a piece of elastic 11" (28cm) long. Use a safety pin to attach to one end of the elastic, then feed it through the waistband casing, ensuring it doesn't twist as you go. Once the elastic is fully through, overlap the ends by about 1 inch, and sew the ends of the elastic together with a few strong stitches. Sew the small opening left in the waistband casing closed.

