

CANDY STRIPES APRON

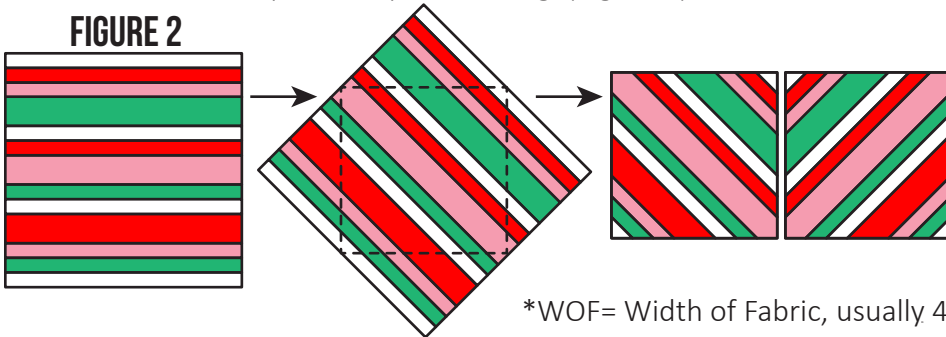
BY AUDREY MANN & DIANE BRINTON | *Finished Size: One Size*

Supplies Needed:

- 1 yard for apron body
- ¼ yard or fat quarter for neckband
- ½ yard each for apron ties, top ruffle, and bottom ruffle
- ¼ yard for ruffle binding (optional)
- ⅛ yard each of red, green, pink, and white print fabric for pockets
- ¼ yard pocket lining

Instructions:

1. Use ¼" seam allowance on all seams.
2. For the apron body, cut a piece 31.5"x34", and fold in half lengthwise (Figure 1).
3. Use the pattern pieces to cut the neck opening and arm curves.
4. Cut out the neckband, using the pattern piece.
5. Cut 2 neck ties 3"x25", 2 waist ties 4"x30", 1 waistband 2"x33½", 2 ruffles 8"x51", 2 ruffle bindings 1"x51".
6. For pockets, cut 2"xWOF* strips of green, pink, and red and 1"xWOF strips of white, pink, red, and green. Cut strips into 11" sections to piece two pockets in the following order: 1" white, 1" red, 1" pink, 2" green, 1" white, 1" red, 2" pink, 1" green, 1" white, 2" red, 1" pink, 1" green, 1" white. Cut two 7" squares on a 45° diagonal for each pocket, and cut two 7" squares of pocket lining. (Figure 2)



*WOF= Width of Fabric, usually 42-44".

7. With right sides together, sew the pocket front and pocket lining together, leaving a small opening on a side or the bottom. Turn right side out and press. Set aside.
8. Sew neck and waist ties by folding lengthwise, right sides together. (Figure 3) Tip: place a safety pin inside the closed end before sewing to make turning right side out quick and easy. Turn right side out and press all four ties. Set aside.
9. Turn curved edges of apron body under ¼" twice and stitch in place. Turn bottom edge of neckband under ¼" and press.
10. Lay right side of neckband to the wrong side of the apron body. Stitch together along the neckline at ¼". Clip the seam at the V. (Figure 4)
11. Insert the raw edges of the neck ties between the neckband and the apron body at the top, as shown in Figure 5. Stitch across the top of each side.

FIGURE 1

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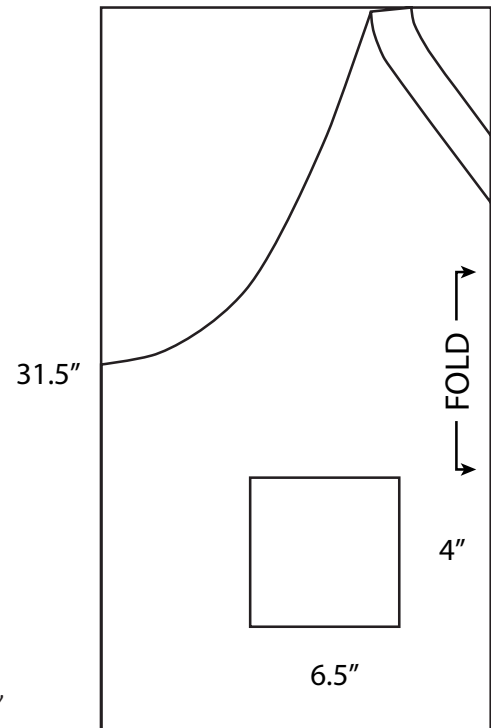


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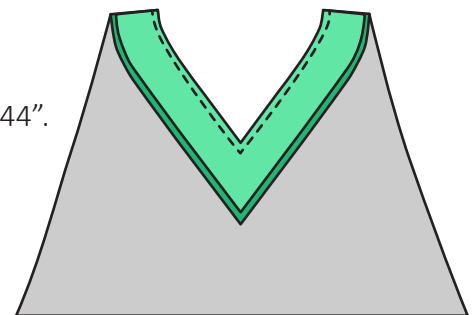
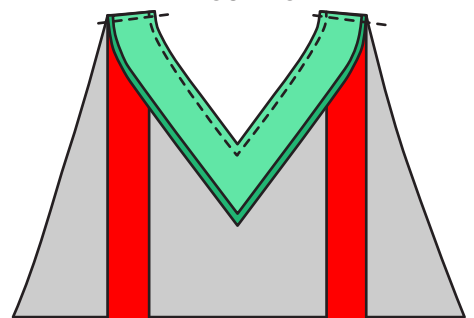


FIGURE 5



12. Turn and press neckband to the front of the apron.

Topstitch along the folded bottom hem of the neckband. (Figure 6)

13. Attach the waist ties to the apron waist corners with a basting stitch, matching raw edges. (Figure 7)

14. Turn the outside edges of the apron sides under $\frac{1}{4}$ " twice, folding raw edges of waist ties along with the apron. Sew in place. (Figure 8)

15. Turn bottom edge of ruffle binding under $\frac{1}{4}$ " and press. Once ruffles are pieced into a 51" length, sew binding to the bottom of each ruffle. This will be done using the same method as the neckband. Place right side of the binding to wrong side of the ruffle bottom, and sew along the entire edge. Flip binding to ruffle front and sew in place. (Figure 9) If omitting the optional binding, hem the bottom edges of the ruffles by turning under $\frac{1}{4}$ " twice.

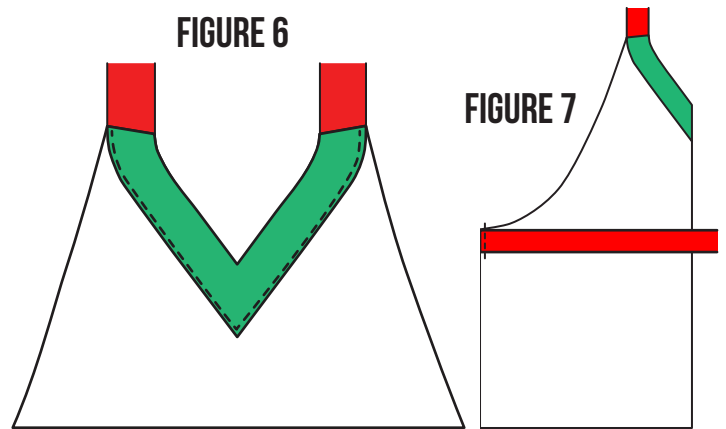


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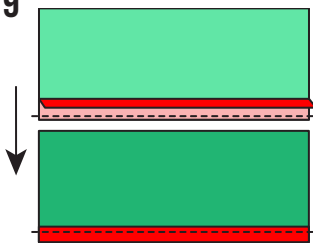
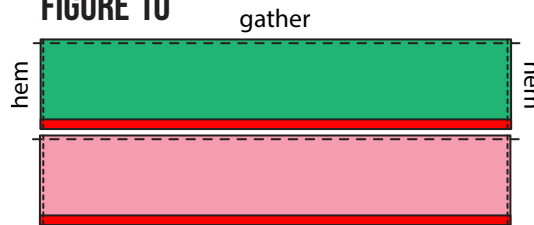


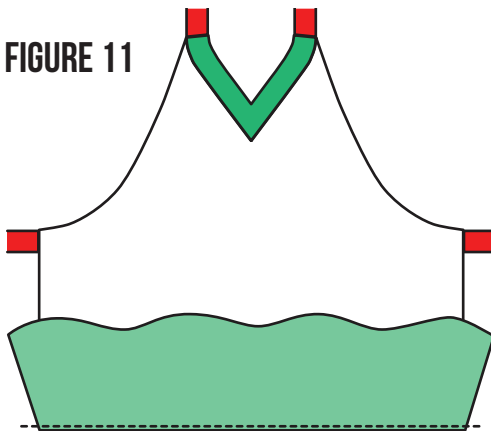
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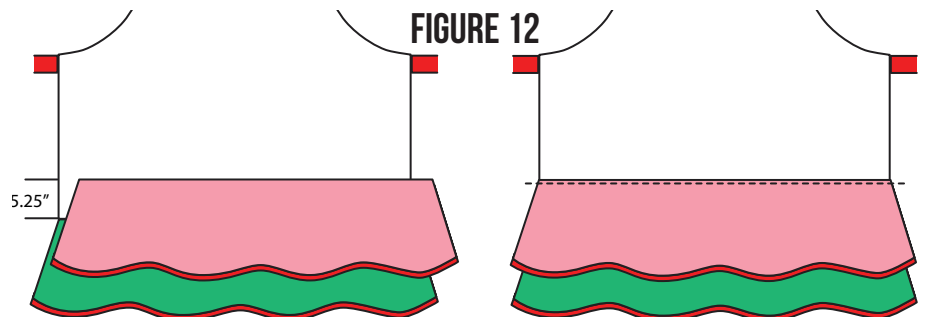
16. Hem both ends of each ruffle by turning under $\frac{1}{4}$ " twice, just like the other hems. Put a gathering stitch along the top of each ruffle. (Figure 10)

17. Arrange gathers, and sew the bottom ruffle to the bottom of the apron, with right sides together. Finish this seam with a zigzag stitch or serger. (Figure 11)

FIGURE 11

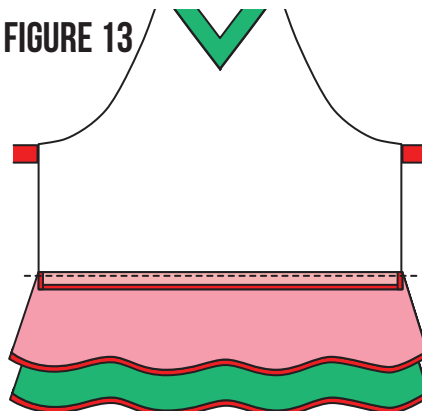


18. Place the top ruffle $5\frac{1}{4}$ " from the apron body bottom (not the ruffle bottom). Arrange gathers and sew ruffle to apron along the top gathered edge, with the wrong side of the ruffle to the right side of the apron. Raw edges will be covered by the waistband. (Figure 12)



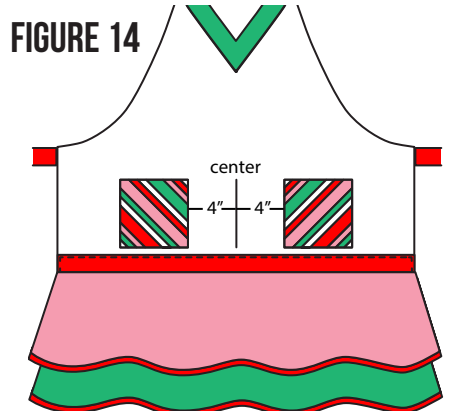
19. Press the waistband top and sides under $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Put the right side of the waistband facing the right side of the top ruffle and stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " from raw edges. (Figure 13)

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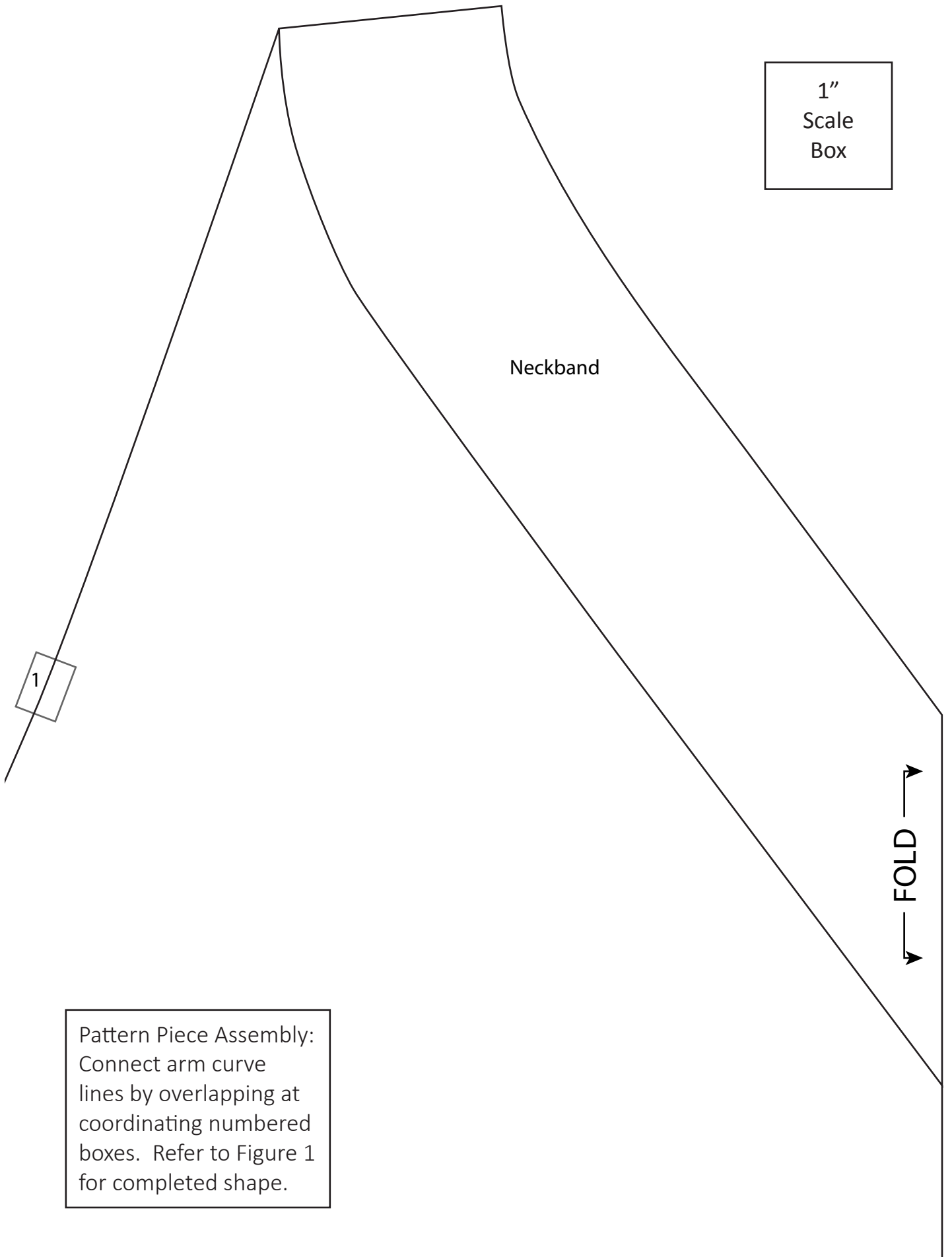


20. Fold waistband up and topstitch along sides and top. Place pockets $\frac{1}{4}$ " above the waistband, and 4" from center. Sew all the way around the sides and bottom of each pocket, catching the opening as you go. (Figure 14)

FIGURE 14



21. Enjoy your fancy baking!



Pattern Piece Assembly:
Connect arm curve
lines by overlapping at
coordinating numbered
boxes. Refer to Figure 1
for completed shape.

