

BATH TOWEL APRON

SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

Material: Plain bath towel, 27"x42"; chintz— $\frac{1}{2}$ yd.

Directions for Cutting: Cut away hems on both ends of towel. *Skirt*—1 piece, 26" long x width of towel (27"); *bib*—1 piece, 10"x13"; *pocket*—1 piece, 7"x8"; *chintz*—7 strips, each $2\frac{1}{2}$ "x35" or 36".

Directions for Making:

1. On one 27" end of skirt, place right side of one chintz strip on wrong side of towel, edge to edge, stitch. Turn to right side on seam line, press, stitch close to edge. Turn free edge $\frac{1}{2}$ " to wrong side, edge stitch to towel.

2. On opposite end of towel, mark center of width. Gather this end to measure 22".

3. Piece chintz strips to make 2 strips, each $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 54".

4. Place 1 strip on unfinished end of towel, right sides together, edge to edge, match center of strip to center of towel. In same manner, place right side of other long strip on wrong side of apron, edge to edge. Stitch 2 strips together along top side, including the apron, across ends, and on under side as far as sides of apron. Turn tie ends to right side and press (middle section is open and raw edges are turned in).

5. To make bib, apply strip of chintz to two 10" sides and one 13" side as in step 1. (Pleat corners diagonally to make strip lie flat.) On untrimmed side, 3" from center front, make $\frac{1}{2}$ " pleat on each side of bib. To sew bib to apron, insert bib in opening, matching centers. Baste and stitch all around band close to edge.

6. To make strap for bib, cut a chintz strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ "x20".

Fold in half lengthwise. Stitch around one end and lengthwise edge, turn. Turn in raw edges at end and slip stitch (*see figure 39*, page 41). Attach ends to top corners of bib.

7. For pocket, cut a chintz strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ "x7". On one 7" edge of pocket, apply chintz as in step 1. Turn raw edges of pocket $\frac{1}{2}$ " to wrong side. Apply pocket to apron in desired position. Stitch around 3 sides, close to edge.

