Fiji Sun Suit



This pattern is free – written by Whimsy Couture for DIY Crush

We hope you will enjoy this free pattern! Here are the necessary information for cutting your fabric and other info. At the bottom you will find the free add-on for adding snap button tape. In order to add snap button tape you want to either omit adding leg hem elastic which runs in the casing or shirr this area. There will be a free add-on video tutorial for adding regular encased elastic even when you add snap button tape! Stay tuned and check back often!;)

Seam allowance: 3/8" if not other mentioned in the video

You also need:

1/4" wide non-roll elastic 3/4" pompom trim

Note: the bodice pieces will be cut according to the templates

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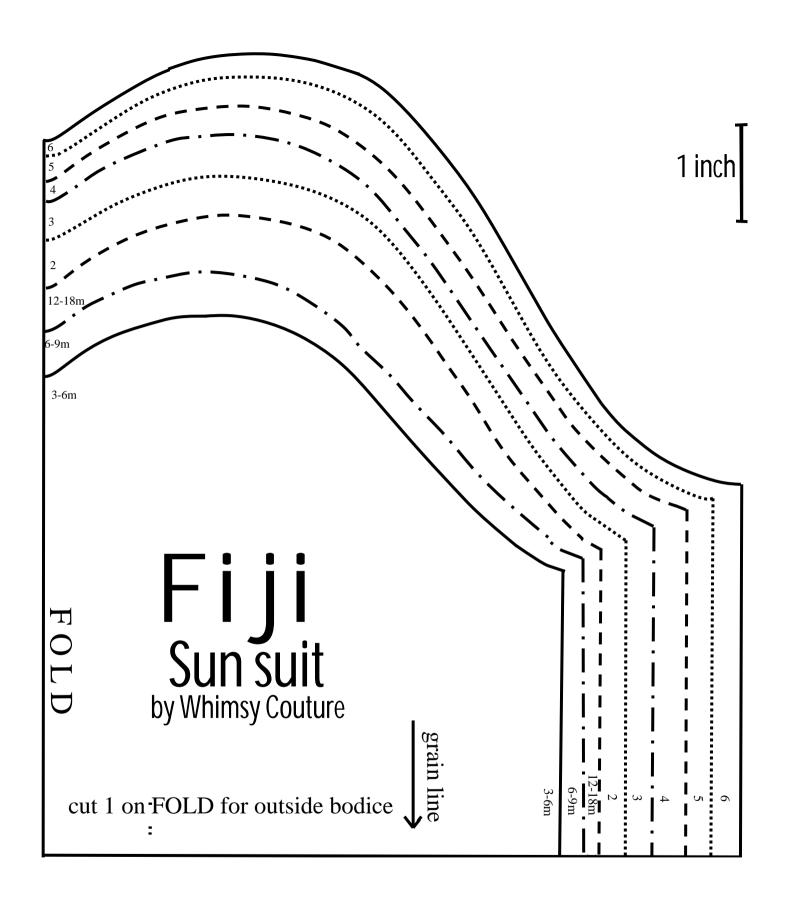
Size	Fits a	Appr. Inseam	Cut 2x shorts pieces	Cut 2x ties pieces	
	chest of	length	Width by length	Width by length	
	appr.				
3-6m	17"	2"	19x11"	3.5x21"	
6-9m	18"	2"	19.5x11.25"	3.5x21"	
12-18m	19"	2.5"	19.75x12"	3.5x21"	
2	20"	3"	20x12.5"	3.5x22"	
3	21"	3"	20.25x12.75"	3.5x23"	
4	22"	3.25"	20.50x13"	3.5x24"	
5	23"	3.5"	21x14"	3.5x25"	
6	24"	3.75"	22x14.5"	3.5x25"	

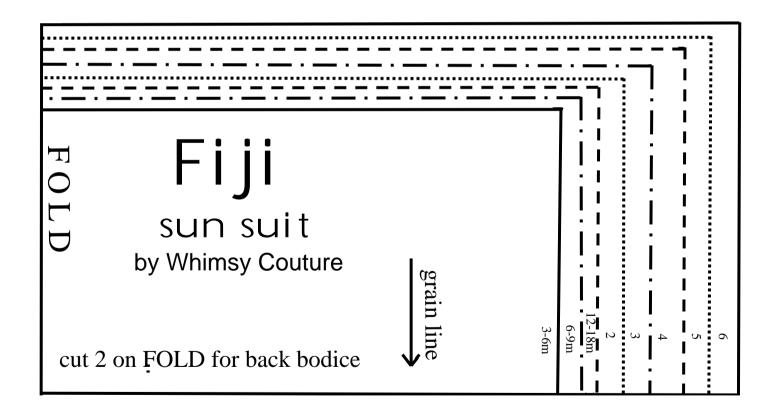
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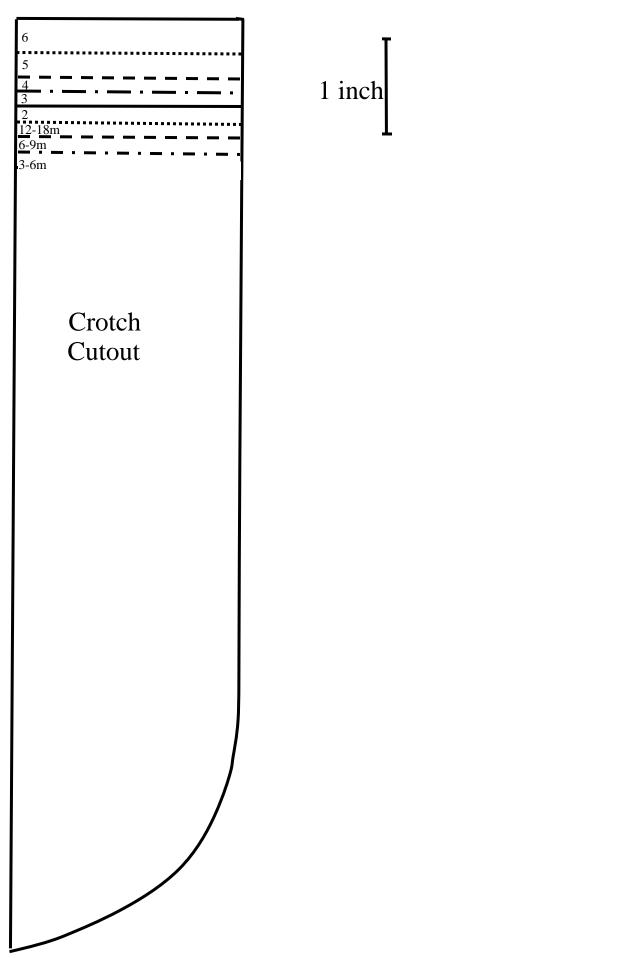
Size	Yardage	Yardage	Yardage	Back bodice	Leg hem	*Elastic
	for	for ties	for bodice	elastic cut	elastic	for
	shorts			the following	cut 2x	ruching
						cut 2x
3-6m	1/3 yd	1/8 yd	1/4 yd	4x 7.25"	10"	2.5"
6-9m	1/3 yd	1/8 yd	1/4 yd	4x 7.75"	10.5"	2.5"
12-18m	1/3 yd	1/8 yd	1/4 yd	4x 8.25"	11"	2.5"
2	1/3 yd	1/4 yd	1/4 yd	4x 8.75"	11.5"	3"
3	3/8 yd	1/4 yd	1/4 yd	5x 9"	11.75"	3"
4	3/8 yd	1/4 yd	1/4 yd	5x 9"	12"	3"
5	3/4 yd	1/4 yd	1/4 yd	5x 9"	12.25"	3"
6	3/4 yd	1/4 yd	1/4 yd	6x 10"	12.75"	3"

^{*}the elastic piece for ruching the shorts can be pulled to about double the size. The more pulled up the stronger will the ruching be.

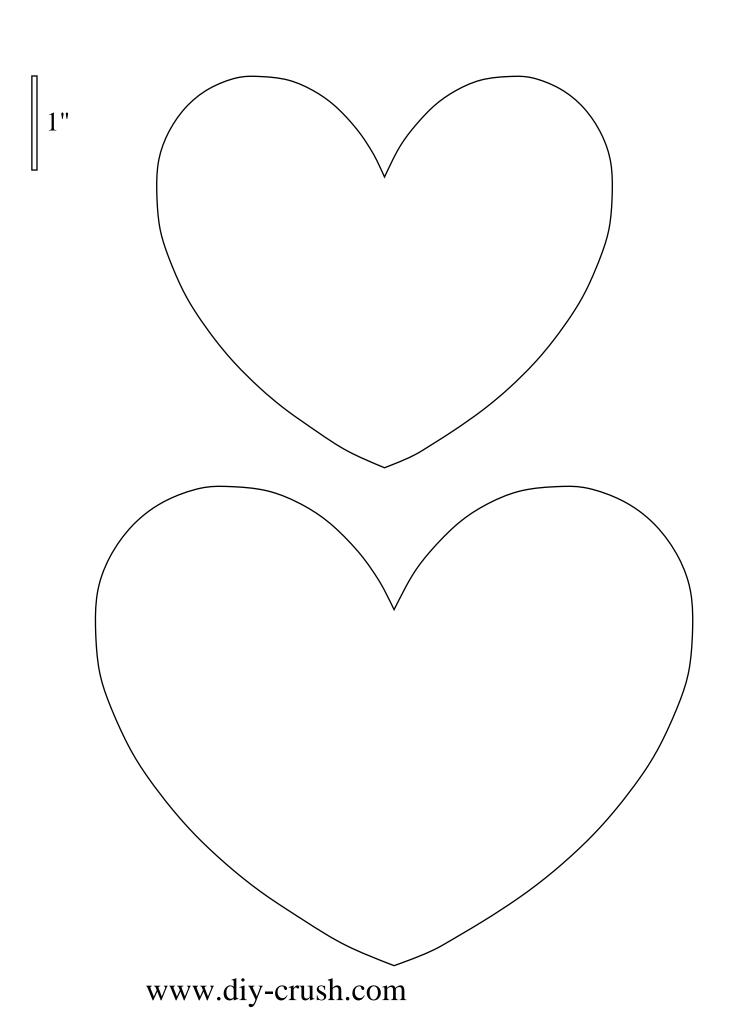
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Tutorial for adding snap buttons to the legs of rompers/overalls & pants



This tutorial is an addition and can be used for all pants, rompers, overalls etc. even store bought ones! For those you can rip the inner seams and pull all the loose threads and start from the beginning of this tutorial.

For handmade rompers/overalls, pants I suggest to go one size up in length to make up for the difference in the crotch area.

List of required materials:

- Sewing machine
- Serger/overlock machine (recommended but not required)
- Zipper foot
- Seam ripper (in case of a seam sewn wrong)
- Snap button tape
- Scissors
- pins
- Pants, overall, romper etc.

If you are adding snap buttons to your sewn garment, finish it up until you reach the inner legs which should be unsewn:



Serge/overcast/zigzag stitch the inner leg seams:



Take your snap button tape and lay it onto your legs of your garment to match up the position of the snap buttons. You want to have them equally positioned. Either mark the spot on your snap tape or leave it long in case you mismeasured.

Now separate the snap tape and lay one tape to the side.



Start by folding over the front side of your garment starting at the bottom leg hem. I have a ruffled romper so it doesn't matter \odot

Fold the inner seam over to about ¼ inch......



.....and lay your snap button tape with the end folded under to about ¼ inch and pin it right on top of the folded leg seam. You may also press the folded edge.



Pin the snap tape along the folded seam and sew right along the edges of the snap tape with your zipper foot. Backstitch the beginning and end.

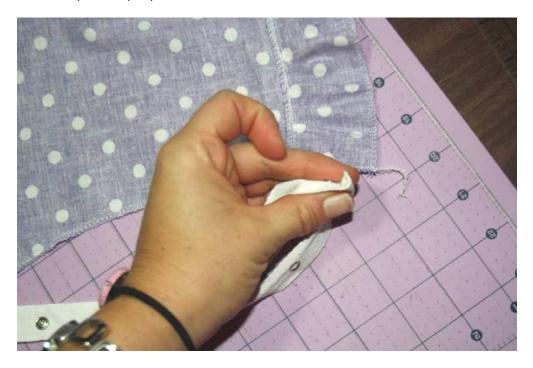
This is how the first sewn in snap tape should look like now:



Take your back side of your garment and fold the inner leg seam (your print should now face down) down to about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.......



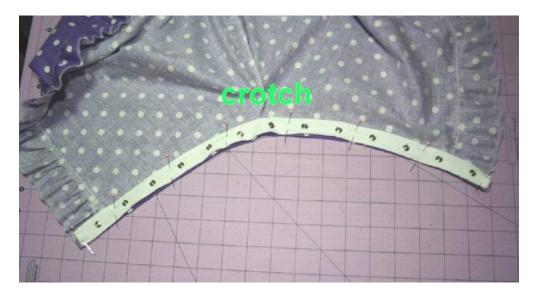
.....fold your snap tape end under to about ¼ inch and......



Pin it right on top along of the folded seam:



This is how it should look now:



Sew along the snap tape's edge with your machine:



This should now be your sewn in snap tape:



Here is the finished look of both sides sewn in:



This should now be your finished and snapped together inseam. Ready to be worn and easy to open for diaper changes! \odot



For all questions or suggestions to make this pattern better please email me at

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