COVID-19 Homemade Face Mask Sewing
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We are accepting your generous offers to hand-make protective masks. Please follow the instructions in this informative video to ensure safety and quality.

**Items Needed:**
- 1x fabric size 15” x 7.5” – use a thick woven 100% cotton fabric (wash in advance to avoid shrinkage)
- Bias approximate 7”
- Twist tie approximate 6 1/2” – or longer if on hand
- 2 Elastics 9 ¾”
- Ruler
- Clips or Pins

**Steps:**
1. Pre-wash fabric in the washing machine (this can prevent the mask from later shrinking due to laundering)
2. Serge or zigzag stitch both short edges
3. Fold short edges, right sides together and measure 1 ½” from side edge
4. Stitch the 1 ½” side edges. You should have an opening gap left in the middle. Turn the tube shape inside out, so that the right side of fabric is now the outside.
5. Top stitch the seam line.
6. Measure 1/2” from seam line, hold the fabric from the measurement and press it flat and stitch all the way round.
7. Add twist tie and stitch
8. Make pleats any size, fold, clip and stitching both sides
9. Apply bias on mask sides, folding both sides over the back, clip and stitch on top. Fold over the bias and stitch leaving space to insert the elastic
10. Insert elastic and tie both ends.
11. Place filter in pocket of the mask