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INSTRUCTIONS

CHILD'S SKIRTS AND HAIR BANDS

Collection **SUMMER LOFT**

Child's floral skirt

with hair band Size 122

(German sizing = 122 cm in height, GB/ US size: Age approx. 7 years)

Materials from Gütermann creativ

Sew-all Thread in matching colours, 145 cm wide cotton fabric from Ring a Roses by Gütermann, SUMMER LOFT Collection: 0.35 m white-blue flower fabric; 0.10 m blue flower ornament fabric; Remnant of red butterfly fabric

Plus:
1.70 m light blue net lace, 140 cm wide (see Hint); 0.85 m light blue pompom ribbon, 0.7 cm wide; 0.50 m elastic, 1 cm wide.

Hint: 0.85 m net lace is sufficient, if you iron inwards and topstitch 0.5 cm on each of the raw edges, instead of on the selvedges.

Cut

82 x 31 cm white-blue flowered fabric; 4 layers net lace, each layer with the selvedge running lengthwise, 82 x 30 cm, 82 x 31 cm, 82 x 32 cm, 82 x 33 cm; 2 x red butterfly fabric, each 9.5 x 8.5 cm, round off the lower corners (e.g. by using a small glass as a guide); for the hair band 96 x 10 cm blue flower ornament fabric; all measurements include a 1 cm seam allowance.

Instructions

Neaten the pocket edges. Stitch a short basting seam with a stitch length of 5-7 mm, keeping the excess length along the seam allowance. Iron a 1 cm wide seam allowance to the wrong side and tack, press and topstitch a 1.5 cm wide strip along the upper edge to the wrong side. Pin the pockets symmetrically and slightly on the bias, 6 cm below the upper edge of the skirt and 4.5 cm from the centre front and stitch securely in place close to the pocket edges. Neaten the lower hem edge of the skirt and press a 1 cm strip towards the wrong side. Sew the pompom ribbon on securely to the right side on the ironed fold line, the pom-

poms hang below the fold line. Press a 1 cm strip on the upper skirt edge towards the wrong side and then press another strip, 2.5 cm wide to the wrong side, unfold once more. Lay four layers of net lace on top of one another along the raw edges and stitch in place, so that the selvedges lie in a series of steps one above the other. Pin the layers of net lace flush with the side edges and on the wrong side of the skirt, so that they abut on the 2.5 cm wide ironed edge. Lay the skirt and the net lace right side to right side and sew a 1 cm wide side seam. Neaten the seam allowances and iron open. Fold a 2.5 cm strip of the upper edge of the skirt inwards once more, catching in the seam allowance and on the right side topstitch a tunnel 2 cm wide, leaving a 3 cm long slit open.

Use a safety pin to guide the elastic through the slit, pull it thorough until the correct measurement is reached and sew the ends of the elastic together.

Hair band: Fold the long edges right side to right side, and starting from the centre, stitch them together, leaving open a 5 cm long slit, and tapering the ends. Clip back the seam allowances to 0.5 cm and at the corners trim them off at an angle. Iron the seam and use a small cylinder of wood or the handle of a wooden spoon to guide the hair band through the slit. Iron once more, folding the seam allowances inwards into the slit. On the right side topstitch all the way round close to the edge, and at the same time sew the slit closed.

Butterfly: Cut out butterfly with a 1.5 cm margin, place on patterned fabric and a remnant of batting and mark the outlines. Cut out, trim the seam allowances from the batting and iron on the wrong side of the fabric. Lay the pieces right sides together, stitch 1 cm from the edge leaving a slit for turning. Trim the seam allowances and clip at right angles on corners and curves, turn to right side through the small slit. Iron, and

then sew the slit closed by hand. Stitch to the centre of the belt at a slight angle with a seam through the centre of the butterfly's body. Stitch the butterfly onto the hair band by seaming along the centre of its body to fix it at a slight angle.

Child's skirt with butterflies and hair band Size 134

(German sizing = 134 cm in height; GB/US size: Age approx. 9 years)
(See templates: hair band, bow)

Materials from Gütermann creativ

Sew-all Thread in matching colours, 145 cm wide cotton fabric from Ring a Roses by Gütermann, SUMMER LOFT Collection: 0.40 m red butterfly fabric; 0.15 m blue meander fabric; 0.10 m white-blue rose pattern fabric; 0.10 m light blue ornaments fabric

Plus:
1.80 m net lace fabric, 140 cm wide; 0.15 m rubber elastic, 1.5 cm wide; 0.50 m light blue cotton braid, 1.5 cm wide; 0.10 cm white bobbin lace, 0.5 cm wide; 0.90 m light blue bobbin lace, 1.2 cm wide.

Cut

For the skirt 86 x 38.5 cm red butterfly fabric; 3 x net lace fabric, each layer with the selvedge running lengthwise (see Hint), 86 x 36 cm, 86 x 38 cm, 86 x 41 cm; for the pockets, 4 pieces, each 12.5 x 12.5 cm blue meander fabric; for hair band pattern pieces a and b 2 x from each of white-blue rose patterned fabric and blue ornaments fabric plus 1 cm seam allowance; for the loop 12 x 14 cm blue ornaments fabric; for the elastic band 18 x 4 cm white-blue rose pattern fabric and for the bias binding, one fabric piece 5 x 37 cm and a second fabric piece 5 x 25 cm.

Instructions

Cut the cotton braid for the pockets in half. Fold each braid in half again and arrange it in a pleat 3 cm from each side of the ironed

fold line to form a bow (see bow template).

Stitch the centre of the bow together, cover the seam with white bobbin lace and then sew this securely by hand on the reverse side. Pin the braid bows onto two cut out pocket pieces, 2 cm from the upper edge and stitch on both sides close to the edge up to the centre of the bow.

For each pocket, lay one pocket piece with a bow right side to right side on a pocket piece without a bow and stitch all around 1 cm from the upper edge leaving a slit for turning. Trim the seam allowances and clip around the curves, iron and turn. Ease the edges of the pockets into shape and iron. Pin the pockets symmetrically slightly on the bias 8 cm from the upper edge of the skirt and 3.5 cm either side of the centre line of the skirt and stitch securely close to the edge. Sew the skirt with 3 layers of net lace as in instructions for polka-dot skirt, but instead of pompom ribbon sew bobbin lace on to the hem.
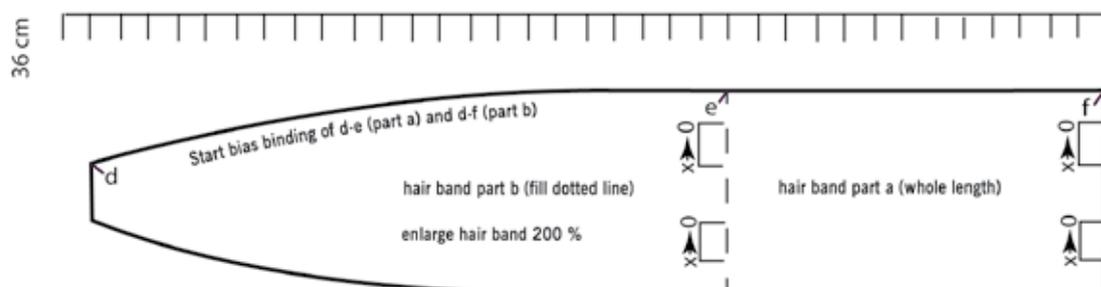
Hair band: fold the lengths of bias binding wrong side to wrong side and iron. Place the short bias binding on the long edge of the hair band right side to right side and tack, letting the ends of the bias binding run in a point up to the seam allowance. Lay the second cut piece right side to right side, stitch on top of one another 1 cm wide, leaving the shorter narrow side open for turning. Trim back and clip the seam allowances, iron, turn the hair band and iron again. Fold a 1 cm wide seam allowance to the inside on the narrow side and iron. Pleat the opposite narrow side x to 0 as marked and iron. Likewise work the side of the hair band in the white-blue rose pattern fabric as indicated on pattern piece b. For the elastic band fold the strips of white-blue rose pattern fabric right side to right side and sew them together along the long edge. Turn the strips, make sure that the seam is placed centrally and iron. Guide in a 13 cm long strip of rubber elastic, and stitch each end flush with the end of the strip. Slide the ends of the strip to a depth of 1 cm

into the open narrow side of the hair band pieces and stitch securely close to the edge.

Fold a loop lengthwise right side to right side; stitch the long edge on top of another at a width of 1 cm, turn and iron. Neaten the ends of the loop with an open edge. Lay the hair band pieces over each other; so that the white-blue rose pattern fabric protrudes

7 cm over the patterned fabric. „Wind" the loop strips around the belt pieces, so that the rose hair band juts out 2.5 cm beyond the loop on the sides. Lay the loop strips on top of one another to a width of 2 cm on the reverse side and pin securely. Sew the patterned hair band securely beneath the rose hair band by hand, likewise hand-sew the ends of the loop on the reverse side.

Template: hair band

36 cm

Start bias binding of d-e (part a) and d-f (part b)

d

e

f

hair band part b (fill dotted line)

hair band part a (whole length)

enlarge hair band 200 %

Template: bow