



## **CRAFT PROJECT**

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### **EASY BURP CLOTHS FROM CLOTH DIAPERS AND SCRAP FABRIC**



These simple burp cloths made from cloth diapers and scrap fabric are super cute AND super easy to make! I love giving them as gifts to friends that are expecting. They are as practical as they are cute. They are also really easy to make, so they are a great project for those learning to sew.

**Step 1.** Gather your supplies. I like to use pre-fold cloth diapers. They have an absorbent pad in the center that are great for messes. You will also need some fabric, pins, and any other embellishments like rick rack or pom-pom trim.



**Step 2.** Pre-wash, dry and iron your fabric and cloth diapers. You want to wash and dry with warm water in order to preshrink everything BEFORE they are sewn together. After everything has dried, go ahead and iron each piece.

**Step 3.** You can make a template from a cereal box for the fabric that goes down the center of the cloth diaper. A good measurement is 4  $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide x 17" long. I usually just lay my fabric over the diaper and fold the edge approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and iron it flat. Don't stress! These don't have to be perfect. Do the same on the other side, and then do the same with the ends.



**Step 4.** Now is the time to add any embellishments such as rick rack or pom-pom trim. These add just a little extra fun. Possibilities are endless!



**Step 5.** Pinning! After you have the edges all ironed down flat and centered over the absorbent center pad to your liking, pin all the way around the edges. Pinning is super important, as it hold everything in place while you sew.



**Step 6.** Start to sew. I use a straight stitch. Start in one corner and don't forget to backstitch over where you start and end. Sew all the way around, removing pins as you go. Once finished, snip the loose threads off and you are done!



**These are so much fun and easy to make. Once you get going, you will want to make more. These work as kitchen towels and artist's cloths too!**

