

Baby dungarees

These gorgeous dungarees are also really baby-friendly, with shoulder straps that button up at the front and snap fastenings at the inside leg

Project: VANESSA MOONCIE



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*Fits ages
6-24 months*

The following guide shows how much material you will need for an average-sized child

Fabric width (without nap)	6 months	1 year old	2 year old
36" (90cm)	1½ yard (1.5m)	1¾ yard (1.6m)	1¾ yard (1.6m)
45" (115cm)	1½ yard (1.5m)	1¾ yard (1.6m)	1¾ yard (1.7m)
60" (150cm)	1½ yard (1.2m)	1½ yard (1.2m)	1¾ yard (1.3m)

SKILL LEVEL: ♥♥

MATERIALS:

- ♥ 4 1.5cm buttons
- ♥ **size 6 months:** 7 1cm snap fasteners
- ♥ **size 1 & 2 years:** 9 1cm snap fasteners

CUTTING LIST:

- ♥ front, cut two in main fabric
- ♥ back, cut two in main fabric
- ♥ back facing, cut one in main fabric
- ♥ front facing, cut one in main fabric
- ♥ shoulder strap, cut two in main fabric
- ♥ pocket, cut two in main fabric
- ♥ take 1.5cm seam allowances throughout, unless otherwise stated

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:

Side length of dungarees

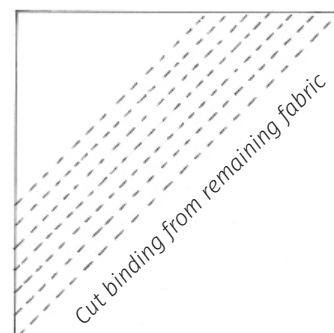
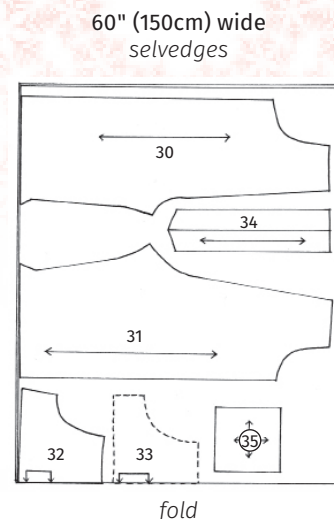
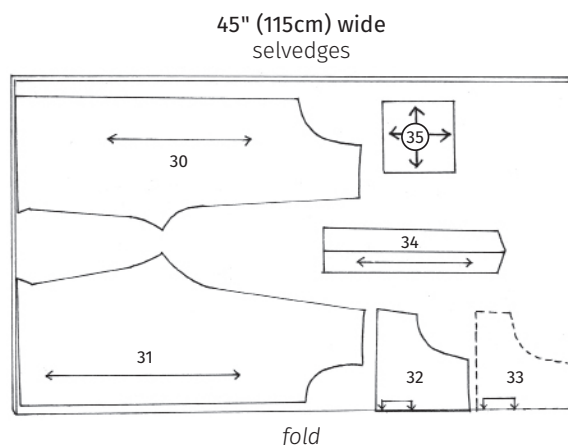
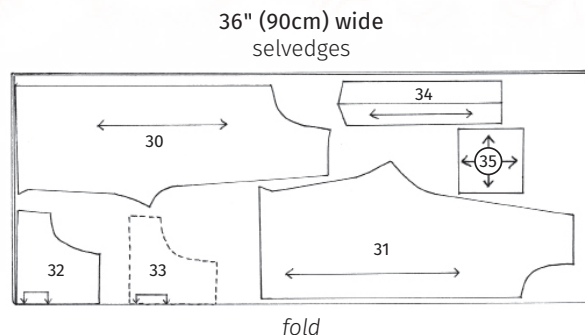
- ♥ **6 months:** 40cm
- ♥ **1 year:** 44cm
- ♥ **2 years:** 48.5cm

HOW TO MAKE:

1 Join the centre-front and centre-back seams. Stitch a second row over the first to reinforce the seam. Clip the curves and press the seams open.

POCKET

2 With right sides together, pin and stitch around the pocket, leaving an opening of around 5cm. Trim the seam and cut diagonally across the corners, taking care not to cut the stitching. Turn the pocket



Broken lines indicate reverse side of pattern

right side out and press well. Slip-stitch the opening closed.

3 On the outside of the dungarees, pin the pocket to the front, matching the small dots. Topstitch close to the side and lower edges.

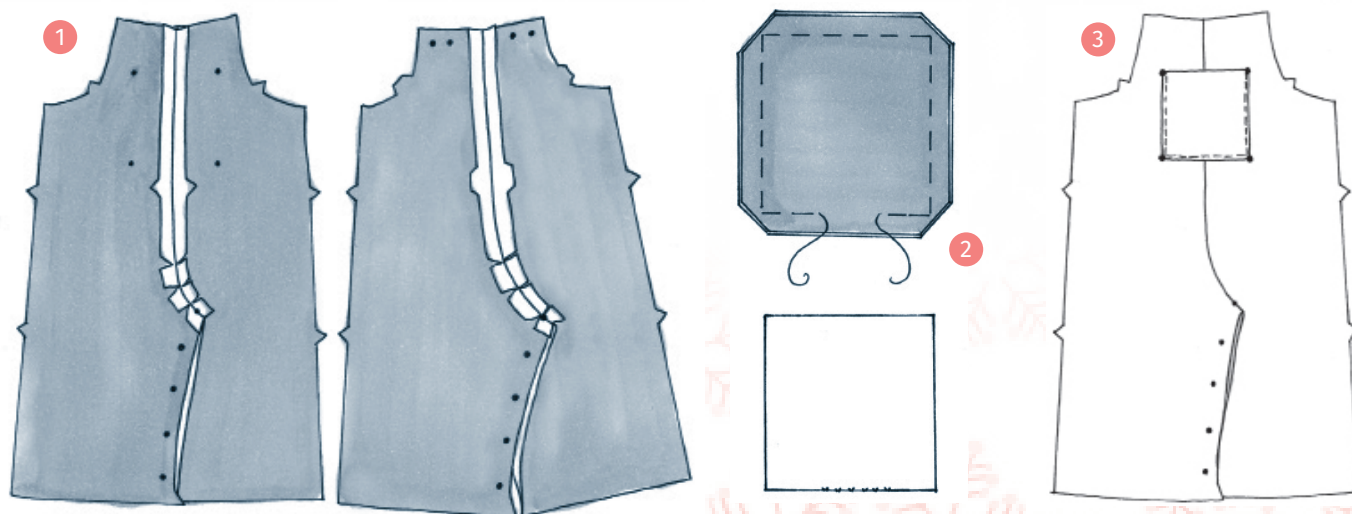
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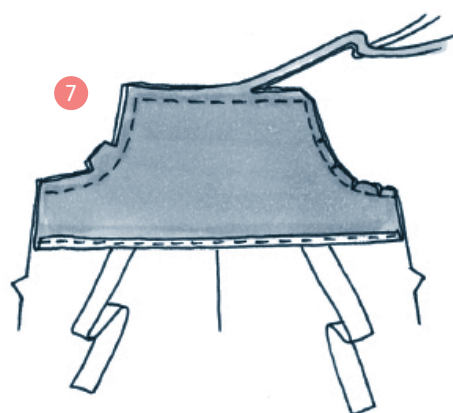
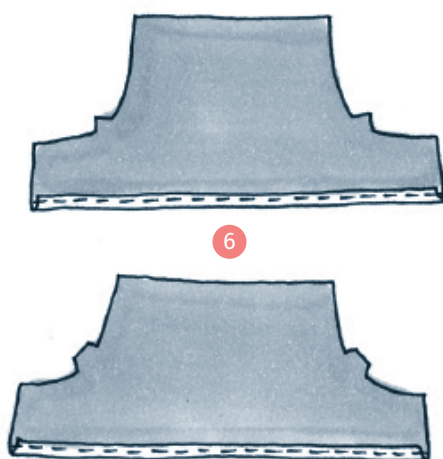
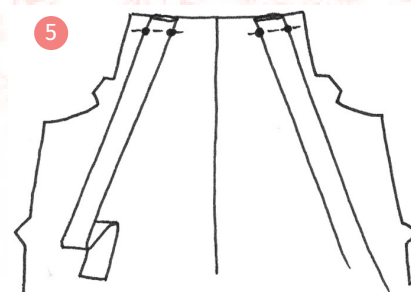
4 With right sides together, fold the strap along

the line indicated on the pattern. Stitch along the edges, leaving the slanted end open. Trim the seam and cut diagonally into the corners, taking care not to cut into the stitching.

Key

- Right side of fabric
- Wrong side of fabric





Slip stitch

This stitch produces an almost invisible finish and is used for hemming and attaching trimmings. Pass the needle through the folded edge and, at the same point, pick up a thread or two of the fabric underneath. Continue in this way, spacing the stitches evenly about 3–6mm apart

5 Turn the strap right side out and press. On the outside of the dungarees, matching the dots, tack the straps in position on the back with the seams facing towards the sides, aligning the raw edges with the top edge of the back.

FACINGS

6 Turn under and press 6mm along the lower edge of the front and back facings. Stitch the pressed edge down.

7 With right sides together, matching notches, pin the back facing to the back. Stitch around the armhole and top edge, taking care not to catch the straps in the stitches. Trim the seam, snip the curves and cut diagonally into the corners,

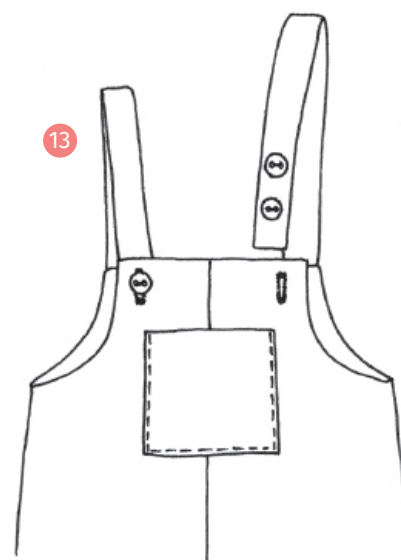
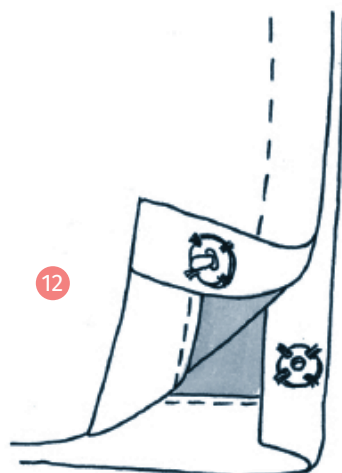
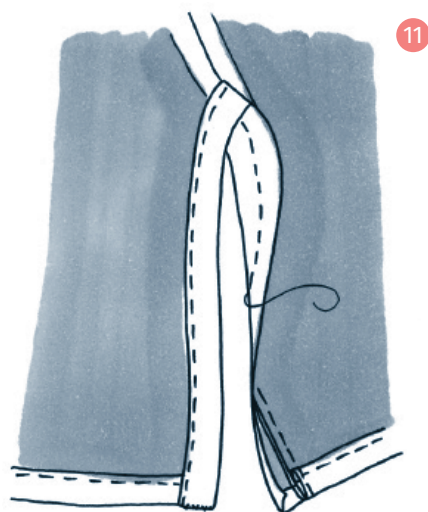
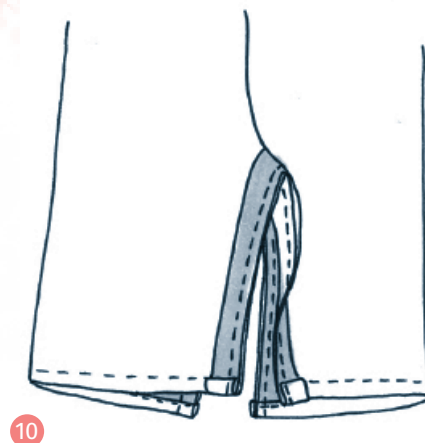
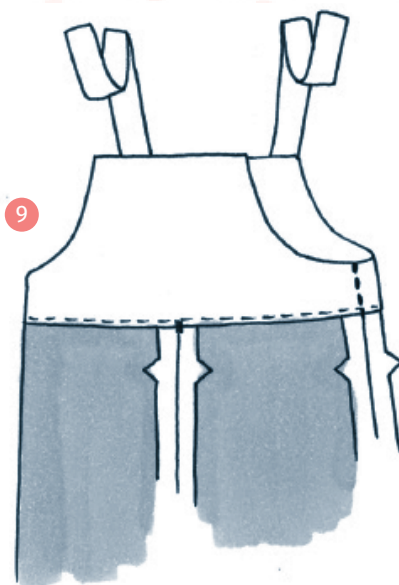
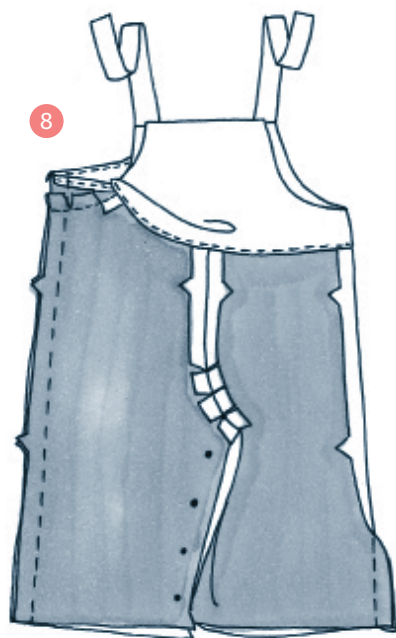
taking care not to cut into the stitching. Stitch the front facing to the front in the same way.

SIDE SEAMS

8 Press the facings to the inside. Open the facings out at the armhole edges. With right sides together, matching the notches, stitch the side seams right up to the top edge of the facings. Press the seams open.

9 Press the facings back to the inside. On the right side of the dungarees, run a line of stitches by hand or machine along the seam, from the top to the lower edge of the facing, to catch it down. Sew the facings down to the seams at the centre front and centre back with a few stitches by hand.





HEM

10 Turn under 2.5cm at the hem and press. Turn the raw edge under and press, then stitch the hem.

INSIDE-LEG FASTENING

11 Make two 3cm-wide bias binding strips (see box, right, for instructions) to fit the length of each inner-leg edge at the front and back, allowing an extra 2cm on the length of each strip. Trim the ends of the binding to a straight line. With right sides together, pin a bias strip to the inner-leg edge of the front and the back, turning under 1cm of the binding at each end. Stitch in place, allowing a 6mm seam.

12 Press the seam towards the binding and press the bias strip to the inside. Turn under the raw edge and stitch. Slip-stitch the ends of the binding to the edge of the hem.

13 Sew snap fasteners to the front and back inside legs at the medium dots.

14 Work buttonholes by hand or machine in the front. Sew two buttons securely to each strap, indicated on the pattern by an 'X'. ♥

How to make the bias binding

♥ Find the bias of the fabric by folding it diagonally at one end. Mark the fabric with diagonal lines, parallel to the bias fold. The lines should be the desired width of your binding with an extra 6mm each side for the seams

♥ The short ends, which are cut on the grain, will be diagonal. With right sides together, pin and stitch the short ends together and press the seam open

♥ Fold both long edges in to the centre and press