## We the People Mask

6 Trim 1/4" wide elastic to make the straps. 7" long for adults. 6" long for teens. 5" long for kids.



Weary of the lies, denial and corruption? Show the crooked red coats that you are a proud citizen of the United States! Wear the same colors George Washington wore when he too had to fight a rotten ruling class indifferent to his fellow U.S. citizens. Introducing the "We the People" mask. Why? Because like George, living under a mad king in 1775, we too are suffering because of a total lack of leadership, empathy, and love for our compatriots. We don't have enough medical masks to protect our health workers, first responders, essential workers, and each other. So we must make our own. For ourselves, for our families, and for our fellow U.S. citizens. Wear one. Make one. Share one. These won't stop the virus, but they're better than nothing. Which is all the rotten red coats have giving U.S. Protect yourself and make a "We the People" mask. #wethepeople

7 This fusible interfacing is cool. It's polyester and glue. Put the rough side against the back side of your George Washington fabric and iron it on. Looks fairly dense and capable of blocking even more airborne bits. Good call Joann! (Thanks for nothing, red coats).



8 Now lay your elastic straps in place. Make sure they are facing the inside. Use paper clips or alligator clips to hold them in place.



1 For the front of the mask, get some tightly woven cotton fabric. Ideally with white stars on a blue field (just like George Washington chose).



9 Take the back of the mask and lay it down the wrong way and cover the elastics. Adjust the paper or alligator clips so they hold everything in place.



2 For the back of the mask, get some cotton, ideally tighten woven, that will feel comfortable against the face. Wash your fabrics before you begin so your masks won't shrink later.



10 Using with a sewing machine (or stitch by hand if you don't have one), sew the edges together. Stop when there is 20% left to do. You need an opening to turn it inside out. Make sure to stitch through the elastic straps so they hold in place.



3 Joann's (don't care what Michael's says, she's still the queen) suggests using this stuff. Seems like a really smart idea.



11 Push your new mask inside out through the opening you left in 10. Try it on for size and make sure the straps hold. Then sew shut the hole you flipped it through.



4 Use the pattern on page 2 to trace all your fabrics to size. Or just measure out 6" by 9" rectangles with a ruler.



12 Get your iron out, then press in two pleats. Sew the edges of the pleats to keep them in place.

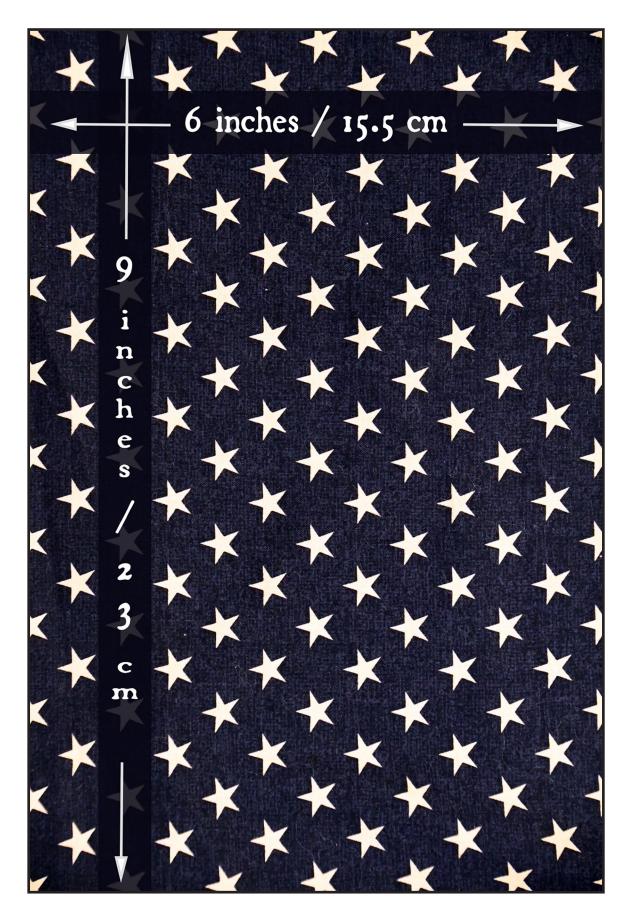


5 Cut everything out. You can get 20+ pieces out of one yard of fabric.



13 Your mask is finished! Now go make 20 more. And when a crooked red coat comes banging on your phone to send you back to work to save their stock portfolio, just say; "Nah, I'm gonna stay home. Cause I'm a U.S. citizen. And you ain't done nothing, but make U.S. sick"





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