

# Free Sewing Tutorial

## OTY Fabrics Baby Layette



Congratulations on purchasing one of our **Cut-N-Sew Rapports**. Now you'll be wanting to know how to use them and to get started on sewing up a cute wee outfit for yourself or as a gift for others. Lets get started and create a beautiful wee outfit for a Baby in size 0-3 months with our easy CNS designs, **NO PATTERN NEEDED!**

### ***What you will need:***

- Scissors or Rotary Cutter (however you like to cut)
- Your **OTY Fabrics** Cut-N-Sew Rapport
- Sewing Machine with Jersey needle and thread (set machine to small zig-zag stitch)
- Or use an Overlocker with suitable thread and needles (or use both)
- Small Ring or Plastic Snaps (you can purchase these from **OTY Fabrics** as well)
- Pins or Wonder Clips





### **Cutting your Pattern Pieces:**

Our **Cut-N-Sew Rapports** already have all the pattern pieces printed to the correct size and they **INCLUDE** seam allowances. So all you have to do is cut each piece following the lines on the Rapport. There are notes nearby the pattern pieces to help you group the pieces together and get ready to sew the items.

Choose which items you want to start with (e.g. the Bib, Hat, Harems etc) and follow along with the tutorials on the following pages.

Each **Cut-N-Sew** item includes all Bands and cuffs depending on what you are sewing. It's up to you if you would like to include larger seam allowances, use your discretion when cutting if the included 1cm allowance is a little too small for the way you sew.



# Sewing your Cut-N-Sew Items

## The Bodysuit

### Step 1

You should have a Front, Back and two cuffs, bands, and sleeves pattern pieces for the Bodysuit. (Your rapport may have two different sets of the Bodysuit printed. Cut each one out and follow the below tutorial.



With right sides together clip or pin the front and back pattern pieces together at the shoulder.

Also fold the neckband and cuffs together and clip.

Sew shoulder, cuff and neckband seams (with overlocker or small zig-zag on a sewing machine).

With the right side facing you match the centre seam of the neckband (right side to wrong side of the inner back piece) to the centre of the back of the pattern piece clip in place. Pull the neckband up until you find the centre and clip that to the centre front of the inner front pattern piece. Match the centre markers together to find the sides of the neckband. Clip each side to the shoulder seam on the inside (see the picture)



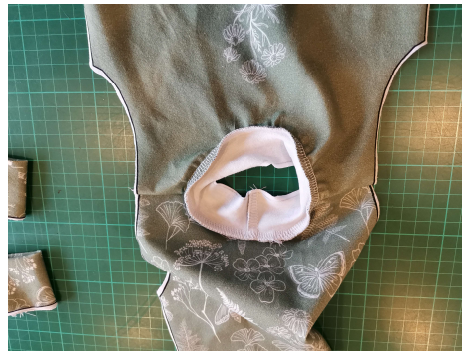
## The Bodysuit - Cont.

### **Step 2**

Stitch the neckband to the neckline stretching slightly between the markers to get it to fit (I recommend stretching mostly at the curves). Fold the outer edge of the neckband inwards towards the stitching approx 0.5cm (you can press at this point if you wish). Fold again towards the right side of the neckline encasing the stitching within the fold. This binds the neckline. Keep folding and then folding under to encase the stitching clipping as you go to keep it in place. Using a coverstitch, small zig-zag stitch or twin needle stitch through all layers to bind the neckline removing the clips as you go. (See picture)



Clip neckband into quarters and attach right side neckband to wrong side of the neckline.



The neckband should look like this when stitched on.

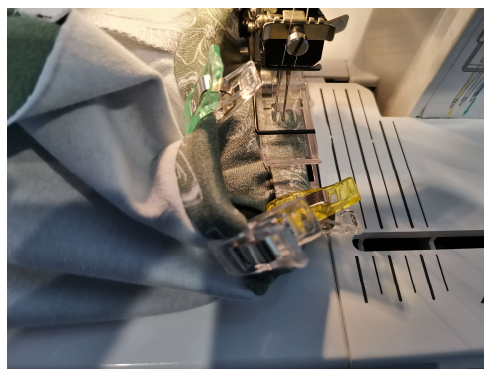


Fold over the raw edge of the neckband once as shown.

Fold over again and clip down to encase the stitching.



Neckband folded and clipped on (to bind the neckline)



Topstitch the neckband down removing clips as you go.

## The Bodysuit - Cont.

### **Step 3**

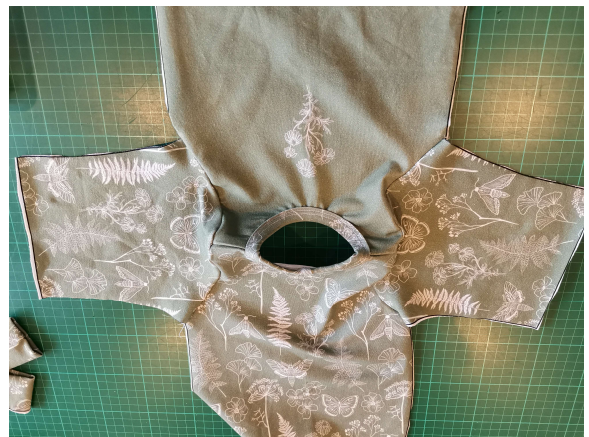
Fold the sleeves in half to find the centre, place a clip on the centre mark.

Clip the sleeve centre to the shoulder seam and clip the sleeve around the armhole.

Stitch the sleeve to the armhole.



Clip the sleeve to the armhole



Attach both sleeves

### **Step 4**

Fold each side together matching centre arm seam and stitching sleeve and body side seam in one go.



Clip the sleeve and side seam

Insert the cuff into the sleeve ends and clip matching the seams.

Stitch the cuffs onto the sleeve end.

## The Bodysuit - Cont.



### **Step 5**

Fold the long band in half and press. Clip one end of the band about 1cm from one of the side seams, right side to right side.

Continue clipping the band around the base of the bodysuit.

Starting at the side seam stitch the band all the way around the base of the bodysuit stretching slightly around the side seams in order to get the band to fit.



Finish about 5cm from the end. Trim off any excess so that the band ends can meet at the side seam.



Open out the ends of the band and matching right side to right side stitch the short end of the band closed.

## The Bodysuit - Cont.



Clip the stitched end back to the bodysuit bottom and stitch the last part of the band to the edge.

The completed band should look like the picture. From the right side topstitch the band down around the seamline using either a coverstitch, twin needle or small zig zag stitch.



### **Step 6**

Press the bodysuit and add the snaps to the base and you are done.

I recommend folding the bodysuit in half, matching the side seams and marking the centre back and centre front at the bottom. Place snaps either side of those markers. The best way is to put the studs on the inner back flap, and the sockets on the outer front, so that you pull the back over the front to snap up.

Thanks for completing another of our Tutorials! Enjoy your bodysuit.