## St. Patrick's Day Gag Tie

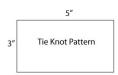
## Supplies

- 1 pack of 5/8" elastic (Black or White)
- ¼ yd of St. Patrick's Day fabric (Pattern #12116)
- Pencil and Paper
- Thread to match
- Scissors, pins and a needle
- Iron

## *Instructions*



1. Draw a straight line at 15" long. Create a second line horizontally at 3" at the top of the longer line. Draw a line parallel to the first line, but at a 25-45 degree angle. This line should be 10" long from the end point of the horizontal line. Connect the two parallel lines.



- 2. Cut out the tie pattern on the fold from the St. Patrick's Day Fabric. You will also need to cut a rectangle to 3" x 5" to be used as the wrap.
- 3. Open the tie and fold it with right sides together using a 1/8" seam allowance. Stitch around the bottom and side leaving the top open. Turn with right sides facing out.



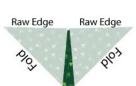
4. Take the point of the tie and match it to the opposite side, creating a new point that is centered and creating a pocket. Stitch down to hold in place. This is now the back of the tie. \*\* Slipstitch would be the best stitch, but a top stitch in matching thread will work just fine.



5. Fold the rectangle fabric in half lengthwise with right sides together and stitch using a 1/8" seam allowance leaving both ends open. Turn with right sides facing out.



6. With the seam pressed to the center of the rectangle measure over ½" from each end and mark. Cut off each end on an angle from the marked area to the corner of the fabric.



Tie Knot Pattern

7. With the small side on top and seam facing up, fold each side up creating a shape similar to a triangle. The top raw edge of the fabric should be horizontal and parallel to the main part of the rectangle.



- 8. Match up, with right sides together, the raw folded edges with the raw top edge of the tie and stitch using a ¼" seam allowance.
- 9. Take the elastic and cut it to the circumference of your head plus 1". Overlap the ends of the elastic by about ¼" and stitch together.
- 10. Place elastic band by the top seam of the tie. Loop the tie over the elastic and through the attached rectangle and pull.



11. To make your tie extra fun cut out a square using excess fabric and top stitch it to the tie to hold money, cards, or even a shot glass.

\*\*Tie can be any width and length you desire by altering measurements. If tie is altered, rectangle must be altered as well.