

Chemo Scarf with Brim

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The accompanying file, BRIM.PDF, contains the drawn (full size) pattern for the brim: one for the fashion fabric, and one for the flannel *or batting* insert. There is also a sketch to draw the triangle (it has a somewhat curve side).

- *Note from Sue, I used a 25" or 26" square, cut diagonally, for 2 triangles.*

First make the Brim.

- I used iron-on facing on mine because the cotton fabric was thin; it makes it easier/ flatter to quilt, at least for me.
- I used flannel as insert. Depending on the material at hand, without fused interfacing, I would use two flannel layers.
- With the two brim fashion fabric pieces wrong side together, sew the outside seam (the side that DOES NOT attach to the triangle) from one edge to the other.
- Lay one flannel piece flat on each side and turn over right side up. Rearrange the flannel if needed so it lies perfectly flat.
- Then quilt the brim; I followed the brim curve and made a line every half inch or so (I used the machine foot width I was using as the guide)

Brim to triangle.

- The only necessary markings are the center point of the brim on the triangle side seam and the center of the curve side of the triangle. I used 1/2 inch max as seam width.
- I used a muslin lining. If the "triangle" fabric is thick enough it may not be necessary to line it.
- With a fashion fabric and lining construction, sandwich the brim between the two triangle, pin all three layers at the center, align all seam edges and sew.
- I found it easier to start at the center marking and sew to the triangle point (the 90 degree angle), then go back to the center and sew the seam the other direction but stop before reaching the point; leave an opening to turn over.
- If not using a lining, the seam on the triangle straight edges must be with a small turn under as to not shorten too much the fabric available for the tie, or it might be worth lengthening the side of the triangle to 25".

There are many more ways to sew those pieces together; I am sure you will find the way that suits you best.

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