



SPLASH DUNGAREES - SPLASH LEGS

**A retro style, cloth nappy friendly
dungarees PDF Sewing pattern for ages 6-12
months to 7-8 years.**



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Description

This pattern is for the softshell Splash Legs and Splash Dungarees.

Additional Features:

♥ Bib pocket option

FABRIC OPTIONS:

Use Softshell or similar water repellent fabric. You can also use woven cotton for the Splash Legs to make baggy trousers/ dungarees. The Splash Legs are drafted with a lot more allowance to allow them to be worn over clothing.

SEAM ALLOWANCE:

There is a 7mm (0.25 inch) seam allowance included in the pattern. This means you can serge along the edge of the fabric without trimming any fabric off with the blade.

PREWASH:

Remember to prewash all fabrics to allow them to preshrink and to remove any factory residues.

NOTIONS:

You will need a small amount of woven cotton for the straps and lining the bib, a sewing machine using.

NOTE: You may need a thicker needle for the softshell Splash Legs. Refer to your machine's manufacturer guidelines on which needles to use for which fabrics.

Snaps and a snaps fixing tool: 2 x Female Snaps per bib and up to 6 x male snaps for each strap. You may use buttons instead to attach the bib and straps.

Elastic will be needed for the Splash Legs waistband and ankles with a maximum width of 3cm.

GET IN TOUCH: If you're stuck at any point, feel free to get in touch :)

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SIZE GUIDE:

Use these measurements to work out which size pattern to make. Don't worry if your child is near the top measurement of either the length, weight or height and mid range for another. You can easily adjust the pattern to fit. If your child has a narrow waist you can cut the elastic from the size appropriate and then cut the trousers from the matching in-seam or height size.

SIZE	HEIGHT		WEIGHT		WAIST		INSEAM	
	cm	inches	kg	lbs	cm	inches	cm	inches
Tiny-IM	54	21.25	3.5	7.7		15	16	6.25
0-3M	62	24.4	5.5	12	43	17	18	7.1
3-6M	68	26.8	7.5	16.5	45	17.7	23	9
6-12M	80	31.5	9	20	48	18.9	27	11
1-2Y	90	35.4	13	29	50.5	19.9	33.5	13.25
2-3Y	98	38.6			52	20.5	39	15.4
3-4Y	104	41			54	21.3	42	16.5
4-5Y	110	43.3			55	21.7	46	18.1
5-6Y	116	45.7			56	22	49	19.3
6-7Y	122	48			58	22.8	53	21
7-8Y	128	50.4			60	23.6	57	22.5

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

Calculated on fabric of 150cm width:

Measurements are calculated so you know how much each option requires in case you want to use different materials for each.

SIZE in metre	SPLASH LEGS	BIB AND STRAPS
Tiny-IM		0.5
0-3M		0.5
3-6M		0.5
6-12M	0.7	0.5
1-2Y	0.7	0.5
2-3Y	0.8	0.6
3-4Y	0.9	0.6
4-5Y	0.9	0.7
5-6Y	1	0.8
6-7Y	1.2	0.8
7-8Y	1.3	0.8

Table of measurements for the various pieces in the pattern and elastic requirements.

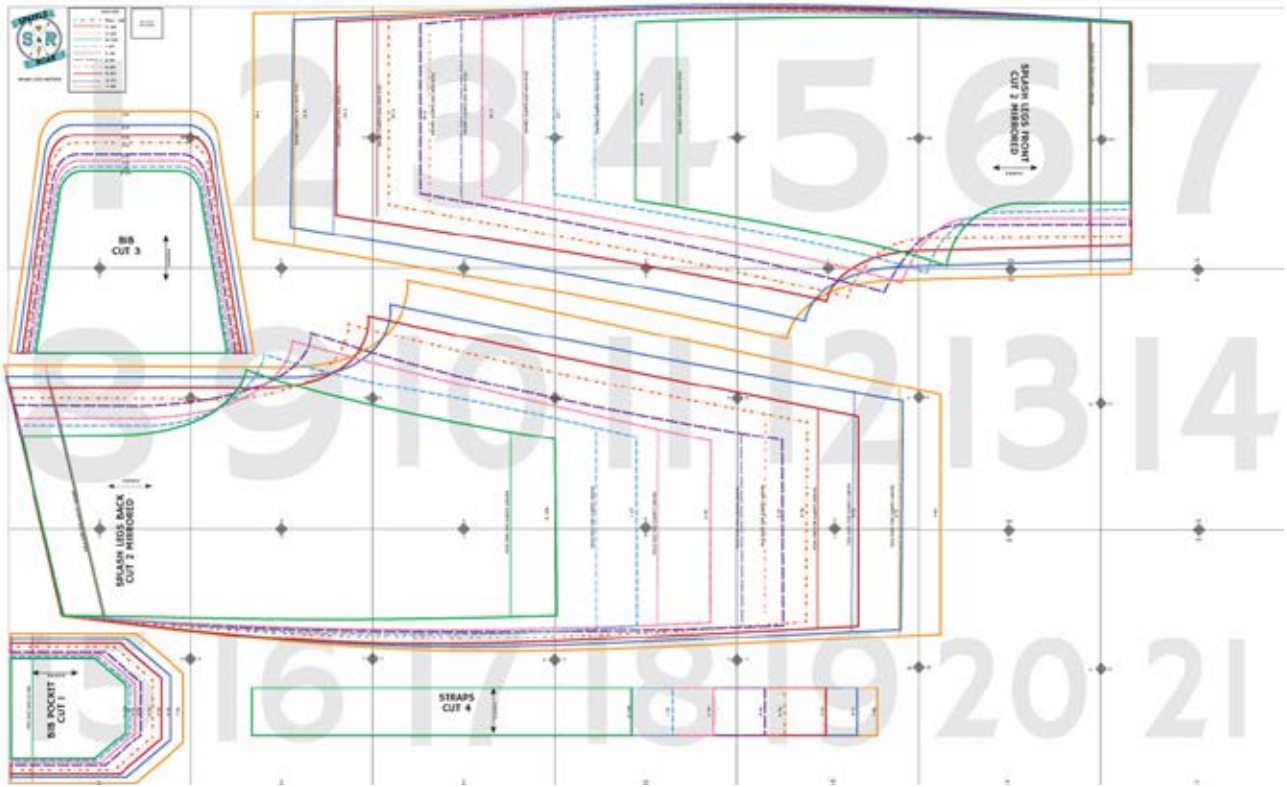
Measurements in cm	STRAPS	WAIST ELASTIC	ANKLE ELASTIC
		Max width 3cm	Max Width 3cm
	W x L	Length	Length
Tiny-1m	4.2 x 29		
0-3m	4.2 x 34		
3-6m	4.2 x 37		
6-12m	4.2 x 41	43	19
1-2y	4.2 x 45	45	20
2-3y	4.2 x 50	47	21.5
3-4y	4.2 x 52	48	22
4-5y	4.2 x 56	49.5	22.7
5-6y	4.2 x 59	50.5	23.5
6-7y	4.2 x 62	52	24
7-8y	4.2 x 57	53.5	25

HOW TO PRINT THE PATTERN:

Print all pattern pieces at 100% or Actual Size making sure that no scaling has been set. The pattern is designed to be printed on A4 paper in portrait format.

In Acrobat Reader you can click on the layers option and choose which layers you want to view and print. Leave them all checked to print all or uncheck the sizes you don't want to print.





Splash Legs pattern pieces layout

ARRANGING:

Arrange the printed pages as shown on this diagram then stick them together making sure you line up the lettered squares on each page. You can then cut your pattern pieces out. You can reuse the top half front and back A pieces as the facing pieces as they are exactly the same size if you would like to save on paper. If you want to bluetack the top to bottom half pieces cut an extra cm above the bottom half join line, this will help you be able to add and remove the top half with ease :)

IMPORTANT:

ALWAYS MEASURE THE TEST SQUARE TO MAKE SURE YOUR PATTERN HAS PRINTED AT THE CORRECT SCALE

CUTTING YOUR PATTERN PIECES:

SPLASH LEGS - Combine with bib and straps to make splashy waders or can be used on their own to make splashy trousers.

BIB and STRAPS - Combine with any bottom option. Also has a bib pocket option.

NOTE: You will only need 2 layers of fabric for the bib and straps, the softshell and a backing layer of woven cotton.

STRAPS:

The strap pieces are included in the pattern already but there is also a table of measurements for these pieces included at the beginning of these instructions if you would prefer to use them.

Construction



Cut out your splash legs pieces cutting 2 mirrored front and back pieces. You can also fold your fabric over and cut out both mirrored pieces at once.

Lay the front piece on top of the back piece right sides together. Pin and sew down the inseam and outseam of the raw edges.



Lay the two sewn up legs next to each other and pin the raw edges from the left leg to the raw edges of the right leg from front to back making sure you line up the inseam seams together. This is going to form the crotch curve of your trousers.

Sew along the pinned crotch curve to make the trousers.

Or you can do the inside leg method: Keep one leg inside out and turn the other the right way round.





Place the right way round leg **INSIDE** the the other leg.

Line up the raw edges of the crotch curve together making sure the inside leg seams of both legs are aligned.



Pin the raw edges together and sew as shown.

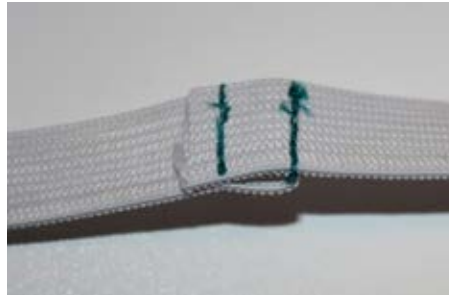
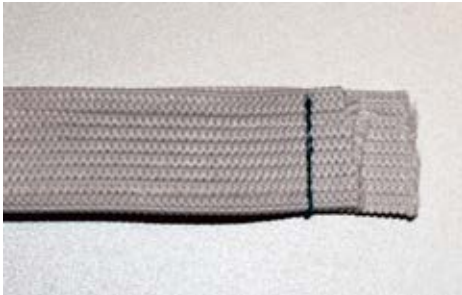
You can then pull the one leg out of the other and should have a pair of inside out trousers :)

ENCASING THE WAIST AND ANKLE ELASTICS:

There are 3 ways you can encase the elastic pieces in the waist and ankles.

Option 1: Sew the elastic ends together to make a band. You can do this by leaving an overhang, then stitching the overhang down in place. This gives the seam double the strength.

NOTE: If you are making the DUNGAREES and your machine struggles to sew through many thick layers then you might not want to use Method 1 for the waistband. Skip to option 2 for the ankle elastics then See [Attaching the Bib and Straps Splash Legs only](#)



Pin the elastic to the waist or ankle raw edge stretching it evenly as you pin. (You don't have to use as many pins as this, I just love pins)

Serge or zigzag the elastic onto the raw edge. Be careful not to cut the elastic on your serger blade.



Fold over the sewn edge, pin and sew it down using a zigzag stitch. You can fold over up to 4cm.



Option 2: is to join the elastic again beforehand. Slide the elastic band onto the ankle or waist then fold the raw edge up by 3cm and over the elastic to create a casing. Then stitch the casing in place.



Option 3: is to make a casing and thread the elastic through without joining the elastic beforehand. You can do this by folding up the raw edge of the waist or ankle by 3cm as if you are going to hem it. Stitch in place leaving a small gap so that you can feed the elastic through. An easy way to feed the elastic is to place a safety pin on one end and push this through.



Once the elastic has been fed through you can then join the end pieces of elastic together and then close up the casing with a straight stitch.



You should end up with a pair of **SPLASH LEGS** that look a bit like this. You can either keep them as waterproof trousers or go on to add the bib and straps to make them into **SPLASH DUNGAREES**.

NOTE: You can add a piece of elastic to each ankle to create a stirrup to help keep the Splash Legs from creeping up. Add the elastic just on the front of the leg seams rather than straight on top of the seam

Or you can add a button to each side seam inside the ankle and use a piece of button hole elastic that attaches and can be taken off to wash. This way the stirrup is adjustable too.



THE BIB AND STRAPS:

For the softshell option you only need to cut a front from softshell and the back from woven cotton.

Place the softshell and woven pieces right sides together and stitch as shown leaving the bottoms open for turning.



NOTE: If you are having difficulty turning the straps right side out (you might do with the softshell as it's very thick) you can sew the strap as shown, sew up one side and across the top.

Place a safety pin on the right side of the half sewn up strap near the top then turn back out to the wrong side and continue to sew down the open side of the strap. You will then have the safety pin to help you pull the top of the strap through when turning it right way round.





Trim the ends off once you've sewn the bib and straps then turn them the right way around and give a good press. You can iron softshell on a cooler setting.

Top Stitch the bib and straps. I find the easiest way to do this is set my needle all the way to the right and place the fabric edge in line with the edge of the presser foot. It helps stay nice and straight and gets the stitch close to the edge.



You should have 2 neat straps and a lovely bib ready for attaching to your trousers, splash legs or skirt.



If you're adding a bib pocket we'll do this now. Take your softshell pocket piece and woven cotton pocket piece, place them right sides together, pin and stitch as shown leaving the top open to turn.



Trim the edges off, turn the pocket right way round and press on a cool iron setting. Fold the top raw edge over to the wrong side where the line indicates on your pattern piece, pin in place and stitch down.



You should have a little pocket that looks a bit like this.

Place the pocket onto the bib and position it to where you would like it. Pin it in place and the top stitch it onto the bib.

I re-use the pins that are already on the pocket to pin it to the bib. Just gently slide the pin back and then through the bib being careful not to lose the folding over of the pocket you just did.





You should have a pocket sewn onto the bib that looks a bit like this.

NOTE: I like to sew a reinforced area at the top of the pocket a bit like a triangle.



Attaching the bib and straps to the SPLASH LEGS:



Use this method for the Splash Legs if your machine struggles going through a lot of heavy layers. First start with the Splash Legs right way round. Pin the mid point of the bib to the mid point of the trousers right sides together with the bib facing downwards-approximately 1.5cm from the top edge. You will need this space to sew the casing for the elastic.

Your stitched on bib should look a bit like this when complete.



Follow the same process for the straps, pin them on 2-3cm from the mid point of the trouser back 1.5cm away from the trouser edge and stitch in place.



You can flip the trousers back to the wrong way round and then fold the top of the trousers over to create the casing for the elastic. There is a 4cm space for the foldover. Follow the instructions for E



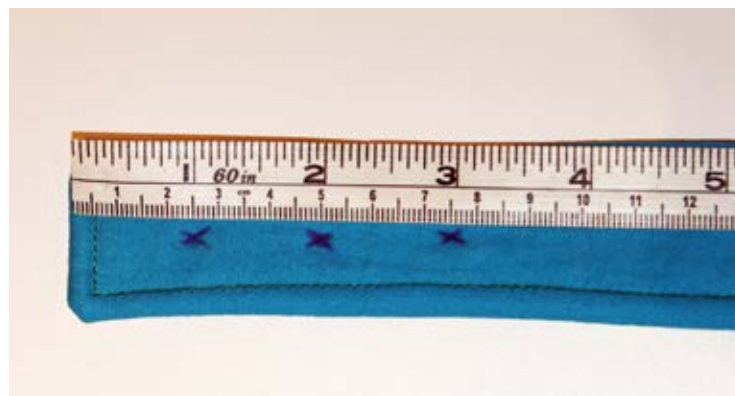
You can also place a stay stitch on the back straps like if you're worried they might slip off your child's shoulders. Make sure the stay stitch is quite low (close to the waistband) and not too high or it will create an odd shape to the straps as they come over the shoulders.



Adding the snaps to the straps:

I place the snaps approximately 2.5cm from the edge and then every 2.5cm after that. For the softshell straps you can place the snaps as far up as you'd like as the entire strap is stable enough for snaps.

The best way to get the perfect fit is to check the strap length on your child to see where to place the snaps but if you are making the dungarees to sell the 3 snaps should allow for variable height differences in the size that you've made.



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