

Obi Wrap Belt

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Supplies Needed:

- Memory Craft 8900QCP Special Edition

Fabric and Notions:

Fabric featured is Winterberry by Kate and Birdie from Moda Fabrics.

Adult Size Belt:

- 1/4 yard of fabric in 1 print
- OR
- 1/8 yard of fabric in 2 prints for a reversible belt
 - 1 charm pack (5" squares) for a patchwork belt

Child Size Belt:

- 2 Jelly Roll strips (2 1/2" x WOF)
- OR
- 1 Mini Charm Pack (2 1/2" squares)
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- 1 yard of Pellon Heavy Weight Fusible Interfacing
 - 2 yards of 3/8" ribbon
 - Belt Body Template
 - Coordinating thread for all machines
 - See-through rotary ruler
 - Sewline Air erasable roller ball pen (#7027)
 - Scissors or rotary cutter and mat
 - Straight pins
 - Tape measure
 - Iron



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Step-by-Step Instructions:

Determine the measurements needed for the belt body and belt straps:

1. Measure the natural waist line of the person that will be wearing the belt.
2. Belt Body Measurements (Fabric):
 - a. Adult: $3 \frac{1}{4}''$ x (Waist Measurement + 1'')
 - b. Child: $2 \frac{1}{2}''$ x (Waist Measurement + 1'')
3. Belt Straps Measurements ($\frac{3}{8}''$ Ribbon)
 - a. Adult: (Waist Measurement + 4 $\frac{1}{2}''$)
 - b. Child: (Waist Measurement + 3 $\frac{1}{2}''$)

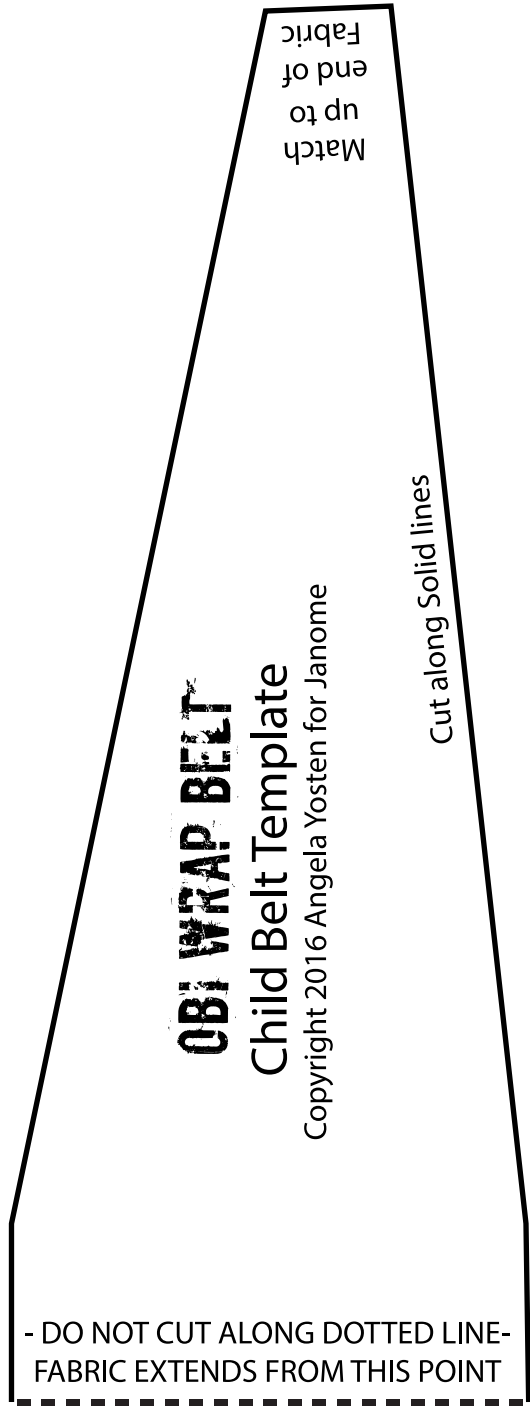
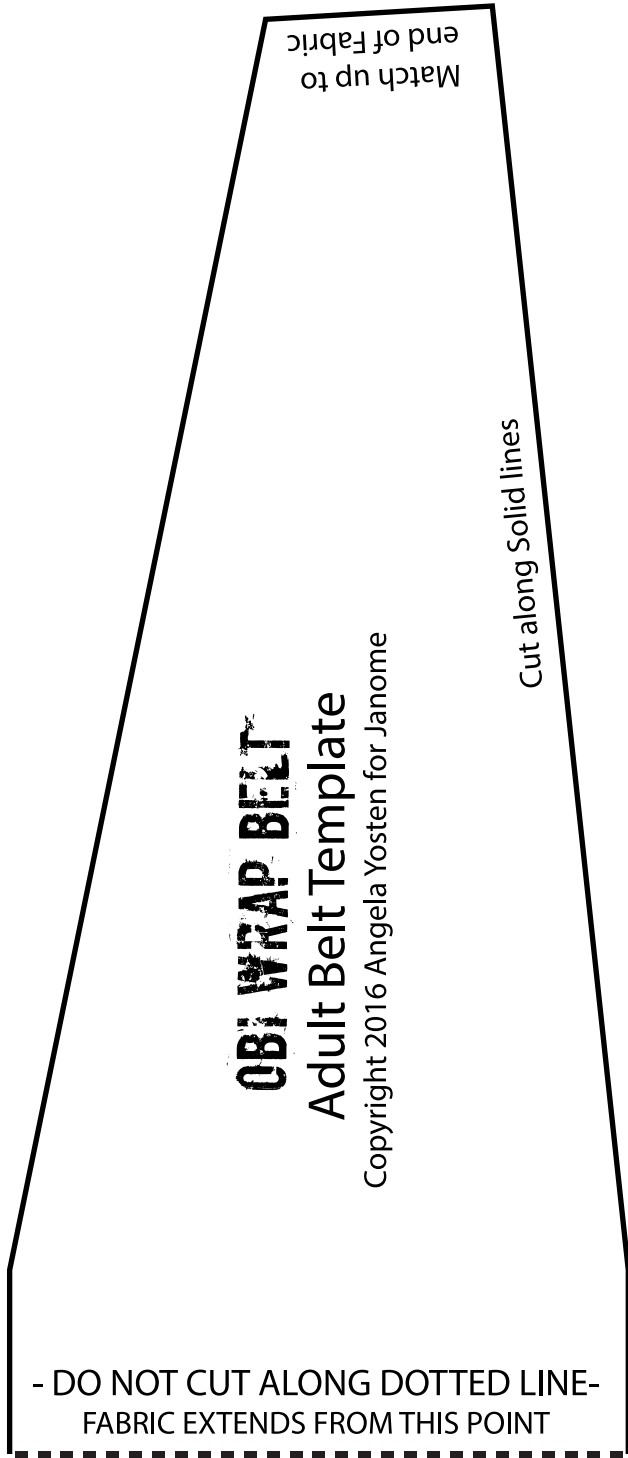
Example: If the waist measurement for an adult is 30'', then the belt body measurement will be $3 \frac{1}{4}''$ x 31'' and the belt straps measurement will be 34 $\frac{1}{2}''$. If the waist measurement for a child is 23'', then the belt body measurement will be $2 \frac{1}{2}''$ x 24'' and the belt straps measurement will be 26 $\frac{1}{2}''$.

Note: If making a patchwork belt, first sew the squares together side by side, making one long strip that measures the desired belt body measurement figure above.

- Cut 2 pieces of the selected fabric, the desired size figured for the belt body.
- Cut 2 pieces of the interfacing the same size as the belt body measurement.
- Iron the fusible side of the interfacing to the wrong side of both pieces of the cut fabric for the belt body.
- Cut 2 pieces of the $\frac{3}{8}''$ ribbon, the desired size figured for the belt straps and set aside.
- Match the two belt body fabric pieces right sides together and pin in place.
- Using the belt body template provided, position the template on each end of the fabric strips. Cut along the appropriate solid lines through both layers of the belt body fabric to create the tapered ends of the belt.
- Sandwich the cut belt strap pieces (ribbon) one on each side of the belt body at the tapered ends as shown in the diagram below.



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- Stitch a 1/4" seam along all sides of the belt body, leaving a 4" opening along one side of the belt body for turning.
- Turn the belt right side out, press and top stitch with a 1/8" seam along all four sides of the belt closing the opening.
- Tie a simple knot at the end of either side of the ribbon ends to finish off the belt.

Wearing the belt:

Center the body of the belt on the front side of your waist and wrap the ends of the body of the belt to the back sides. Cross the belt straps on the back side and wrap the straps back to the front of the waist, layering the straps on top of the belt body and tie off in a cute, little bow.

