

Tutorial for Converting the Patrick Curved Raglan to a Hoodie

To add a hood to a Patrick Curved Raglan tee, simply follow the instructions here for sewing and attaching a hood. To sew a hoodie that will be worn as outerwear, go up one size, and use heavier weight fabric such as sweatshirt fleece or french terry.

Print your hood pattern. You'll find the pattern for the Infant/Toddler hood pieces here: <http://www.fishstickdesigns.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2009/09/PatrickInf-TodHoodie.pdf> and for the Big Kid sizes here: <http://www.fishstickdesigns.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2009/09/PatrickBigKidHoodie.pdf>. When you print, be sure that you choose "None" on sizing options, not "Fit to page". The Infant/Toddler pattern will print on two pages in landscape. The Big Kid pattern will print on four pages in landscape. The pages will butt right up against each other. Check your 1" square before cutting out your fabric pieces.

Cut out all your pieces. You won't need to cut a neckband. The hoodie that I'm sewing here is going to be worn over clothing. I'm using a cotton/polyester blend sweatshirt fleece with a coordinating cotton interlock for the lining of the hood. My little guy normally wears a size 3T, so I'm sewing this hoodie in size 4T.

Instead of cutting out the standard short-sleeve and the longer under-sleeve, I combined the two sleeves together, subtracting the 1" hem allowance from the short-sleeve and the 1/2" from the top of the undersleeve that usually goes under the short-sleeve. I also wanted to add a 1" cuff to the sleeve, so I subtracted the 1" hem allowance plus an additional 3/4" from the bottom of the sleeve. For the cuffs, I cut two bands 3" wide X the width of the bottom of the sleeve minus 1" with the stretch across the longer measurement.



Hem bottom of shirt, and sew or serge on your sleeves and topstitch according to the pattern instructions.



To assemble your hood, begin by folding the inner and outer pieces with right sides facing. Pin along the curve at the back of each piece and sew or serge.



Turn the inner hood piece right side out and insert inside the outer so that right sides are facing. Pin along the front of hood and sew or serge around front edge.



Turn hood right side out and push inner piece inside outer.



Now fold your main body pieces so that they have right sides facing and insert your hood into the neckline, the same way that you would normally insert the neckband. Line up raw edges. Pin the center back of the hood to the center back of the shirt, then overlap the two front corners $\frac{1}{2}$ " for the Infant/Toddler sizes and $\frac{3}{4}$ " for the Big Kid sizes and pin to the center front. Stretch the hood slightly to fit into the neckline and pin.



Serge or sew hood into neckline, stretching slightly as you go. Use the standard $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance (or $\frac{1}{4}$ " cutting allowance for serging). Now follow the pattern instructions for sewing up the sides and sleeves of shirt.

To add cuffs, begin by folding each strip over with right sides facing, matching up short edges. Sew or serge across short edge.



Fold each cuff in half with right sides out, matching up long edges. Pin each cuff inside it's arm, matching up raw edges and seams.

Sew or serge on cuffs.



Turn right side out and enjoy!

