

# Fabric Face Mask (with optional pipe cleaner nose bridge)

## 1 GATHER ...

- Tight weave, breathable, opaque, washable fabric (Quilter's cotton, pillowcases, flannel, khaki) <https://www.spoonflower.com/profiles/banisterboosterclub>.
- Note: A "fat quarter" from Spoonflower is enough fabric to make 2 large masks.
- Elastic for ear loops (or string, ribbon, etc. for ties)
- 2 Pipe cleaners (optional)

## 2 CUT ...

Cut out paper pattern.

Stack or fold fabric so that 'right sides' face each other. Place paper pattern on top of each 'wrong side' stack and cut 2x main fabric + 2x lining fabric = 4 pieces total

## 3 SEW ...

2 pieces at a time, stack *right sides facing each other* and machine sew with a tight stitch only along the CURVED center seams using a 1/8" seam allowance:  
4 cut pieces → 2 sewn pieces.

**TIP**

Cut slits perpendicular to the curved seam, just up to the stitched line, to allow the pieces to lay flat when opened



Unfold the two sewn pieces, and with seams facing out, place the 'right sides' together, pinning if needed. Stitch along the outside, leaving a small gap open (about an inch), to then pull-through to turn it all inside out.

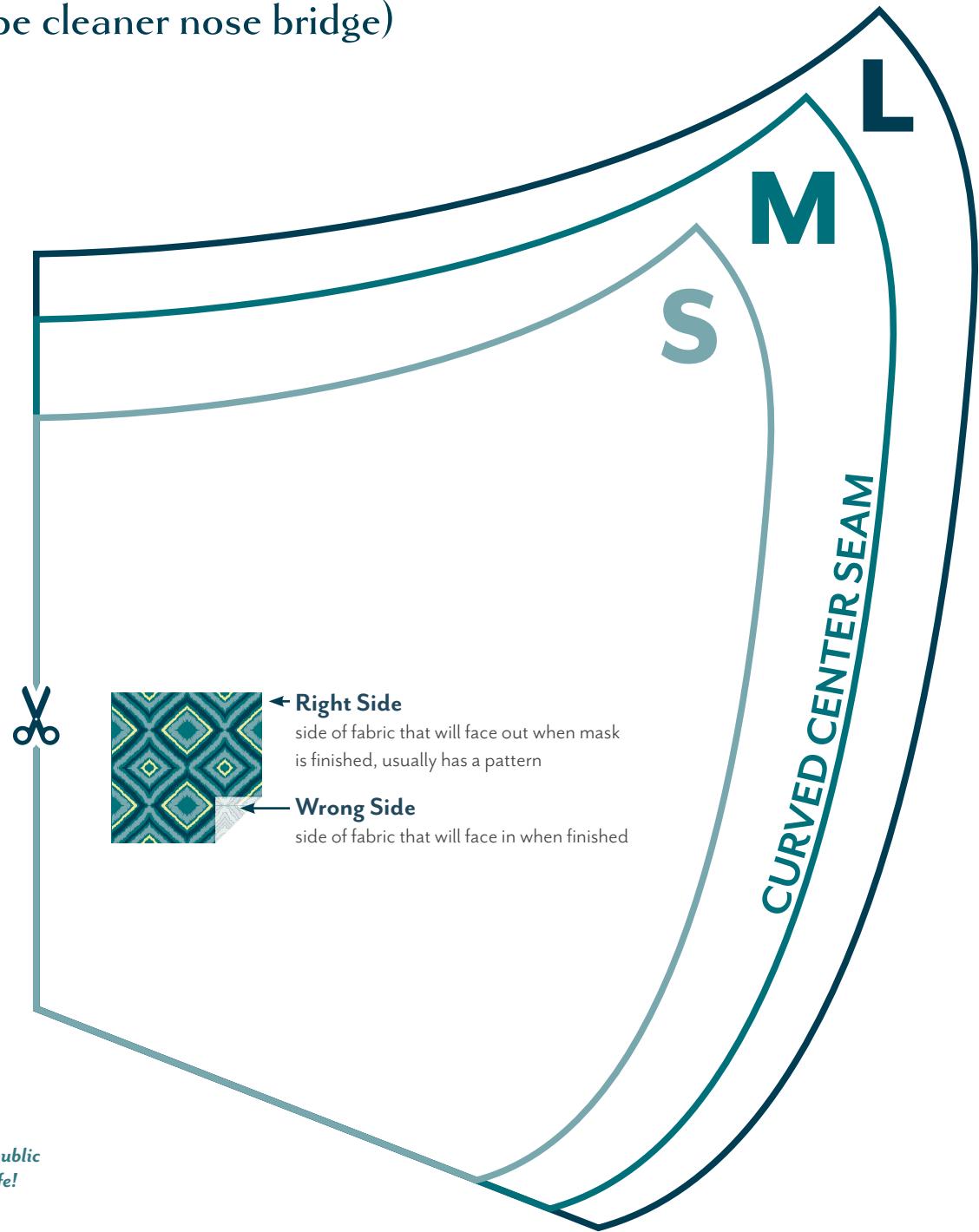
2 sewn pieces → 1 sewn piece.



## 4 FINISH ...

Once it's all flipped inside out, close the gap by machine or hand. If using pipe cleaners, stitch 2 channels at the top and bottom and carefully remove stitches just from the four corners to create a space to thread the pipe cleaners through, creating the bendable 'nose bridge'; cut pipe cleaners to size and fold over.

Cut 2 pieces of elastic or ribbon long enough so they measure from the tip of the nose to the back of your ear. Attach the elastic or tie the ribbons to each of the four corners of the mask with machine or hand stitching.



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Modified pattern based on [freesewing.org's](https://freesewing.org/designs/) 'Fu Face' <https://freesewing.org/designs/fu-face>