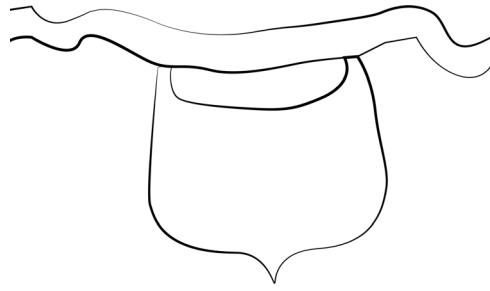




Gathering Pocket



The gathering pocket is designed to be a simple “extra” pocket that you wear around your waist. Throw it on and take to the woods, or toss your phone inside when on a walk or your sewing tools while bustling around your sewing space...you get the idea.

You can choose to simply tie the straps or you can attach a set of 2 D rings to give you an easy on and off!



Materials Needed

Fabric

Any weight woven fabric, except very light fabric. I would recommend a medium weight like a light weight canvas or a medium weight cotton.

Fabric Amount Needed:

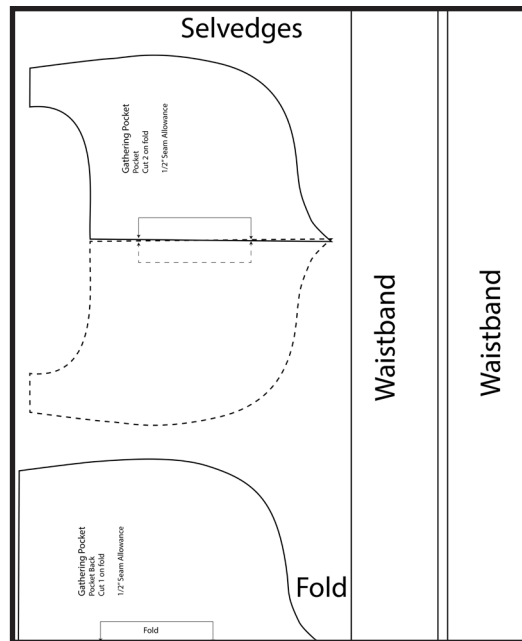
44" wide fabric - .5 yards
(112 cm wide fabric - .5 meters)

Metal D Rings (optional)

You'll need two 2 inch D rings. Alternatively you can omit them and tie your straps around your waist/hip.

Cutting Layout

**Fabric that is at least
44 inches (112 cm) wide**



Sewing Instructions

All seams have a **1/2 inch (1.3 cm) seam allowance**

Cut out your fabric pieces

Cut two pocket pieces and one pocket back on the fold. For fabric economy, I would trace the pocket piece as one full piece and place off the fold.

For the waist band,

If you choose to tie it on: cut two pieces of fabric 3 inches (7.5 cm) wide by the length of your waist or hip measurement (depending on where you plan to wear your pocket) **plus 34 inches (86.5 cm)**.

If you are using D Rings: cut two pieces of fabric 3 inches (7.5 cm) wide by the length of your waist or hip measurement **plus 21 inches (53 cm)**.

Length needed: _____

Sew the pocket

1. With right sides facing, sew the two pocket pieces along the top edge.
2. Clip the seam allowance in the curved areas, turn the pocket to the right side and press the top seam. Topstitch, if desired.
3. Lay the pocket on top of the pocket back, with right sides facing.
4. Sew around the exterior edge of the pocket and the pocket back.
5. Clip the seam allowance in the curved areas and turn the pocket right side out and press. Topstitch, if desired.

Sew the waistband

1. Place the pocket along the edge of the waist band

If you are tying your waist band

Place the top of the pocket (right side facing up) along the edge of the waist band (which is also right side facing up), positioning the pocket either in the center or off to one side (which would allow you to wear the pocket near the hip and tie the pocket on the other hip).

If you are using D rings

Place the top of the pocket (right side facing up) along the edge of the waist band (which is right side facing up), leaving 12 inches (30.5 cm) of waist band fabric on the right hand side of the pocket.

2. Place the second waist band on top of the first with the right sides facing and the pocket sandwiched between the two.
 3. Sew along the top edge of the waistband (being sure to sew the pocket top at the same time).
 4. Flip the waistband pieces to the right side and press the seam.
 5. Press a 1/2 inch (1.3cm) fold in the long raw edges of both waistband pieces.
 6. Top stitch the edges, that you pressed, together, finishing the waistband.
 7. Fold the raw edges at the ends of the waistband in and top stitch down.
- If desired, top stitch along the other long edge of the waist band as well.
 - If using D rings: Attach the D Rings to the short length of waist band by threading the waistband through the two D rings, folding the waistband back on itself by 1/2 inch (1.3cm) and top stitching it into place.
 - To close your waistband, slide the waistband up through both D rings and then back down through only the top D ring. Pull to tighten.