

Rainy Day Collar

A seasonal collar inspired by rain, clouds, and soft cool-weather colors.



The Rainy Day Collar is a practical, adjustable dog collar designed for everyday wear. It features a cotton fabric outer, medium-weight interfacing for structure, durable webbing for strength, and high-quality hardware—finished with reinforced stitching for long-lasting performance and comfort.



10-STEP ROADMAP

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FINISHED SIZES



Small:

fits 10–14 in neck /
Finished width: 5/8 in



Medium:

fits 14–18 in neck /
Finished width: 3/4 in



Large:

fits 18–22 in neck /
Finished width: 1 in



Design goal

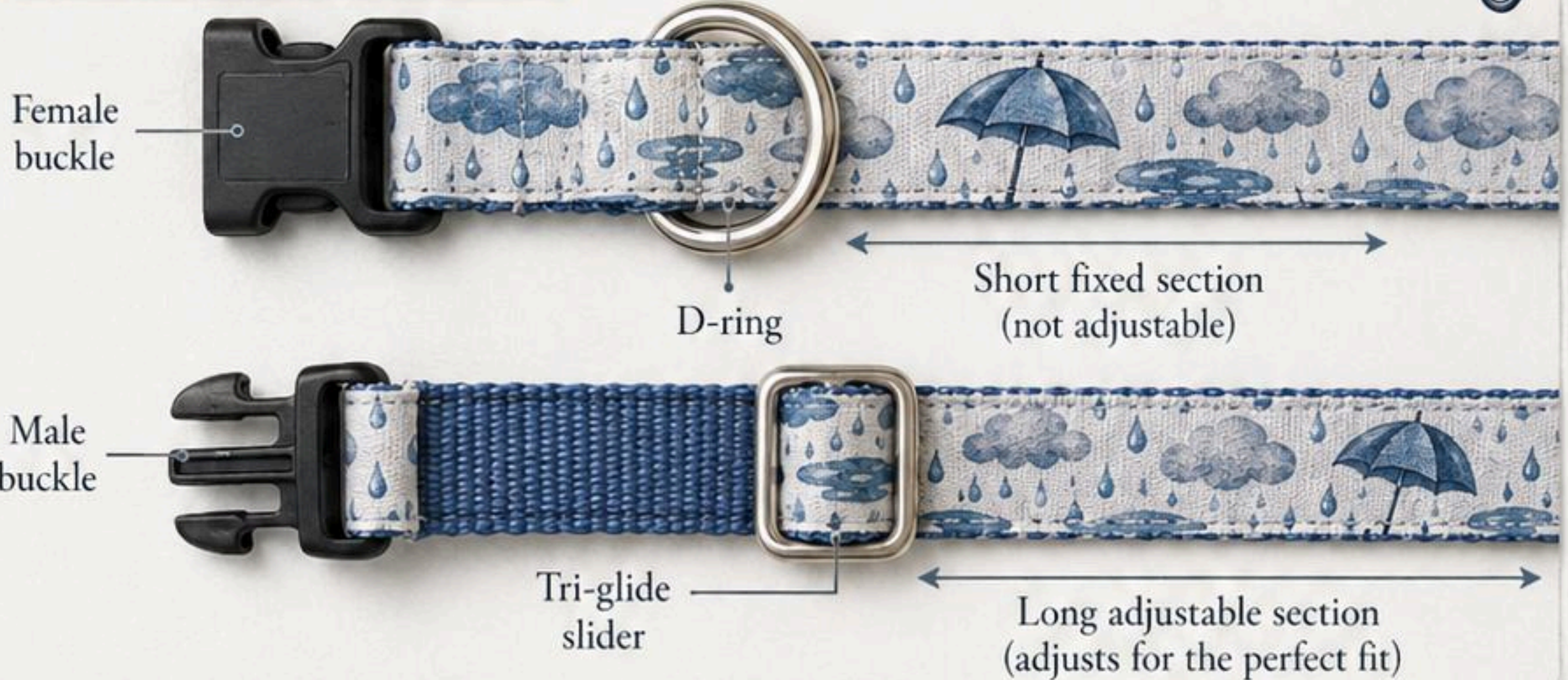
To create a practical, secure, attractive seasonal collar that is suitable to make and sell.



Sizing + Hardware Guide

Choose the correct width and hardware before cutting.

1 COLLAR ANATOMY



2 SIZE & HARDWARE GUIDE

Size	Neck Range (inches)	Finished Width (inches)	Hardware Size (inches)	Webbing Width (inches)
Small	10–14 in	5/8 in	5/8 in	5/8 in
Medium	14–18 in	3/4 in	3/4 in	3/4 in
Large	18–22 in	1 in	1 in	1 in

MATERIALS + HARDWARE



cotton fabric (outer)



medium-weight fusible interfacing



matching webbing (nylon or polyester)



1 plastic side-release buckle



1 metal tri-glide slider



1 welded D-ring (in matching width)



SAFETY NOTE: This collar is made for everyday wear and walking. It is not for tie-out use.

Tools + Materials

Gather everything before you begin.



Cotton woven rainy-day print fabric



Medium-weight fusible interfacing



Polypropylene or nylon webbing



Sewing machine



Side-release buckle



Metal tri-glide slider



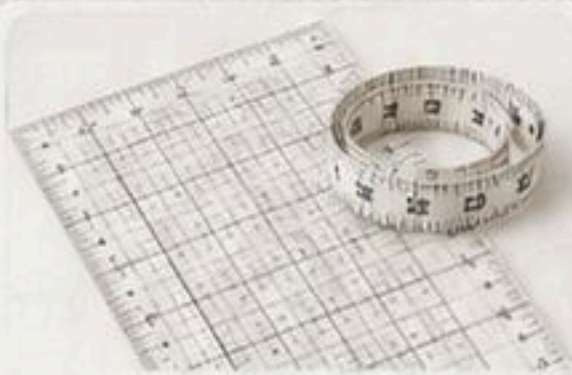
Welded D-ring



Strong polyester thread



Iron + ironing surface



Quilting ruler or tape measure



Scissors or rotary cutter



Clips or pins



Lighter or fray check for sealing webbing ends



Fabric marker



MACHINE SETTINGS

Suggested stitch length: 3.0 mm.
Use a size 90/14 needle or denim needle for layered stitching.



PRACTICAL TIP

Seal the cut ends of synthetic webbing lightly so they do not fray. Do not scorch the material.



MATERIALS CHECKLIST

- 1 Cotton woven printed fabric
- 2 Medium-weight fusible interfacing
- 3 Webbing
- 4 Side-release buckle
- 5 Metal tri-glide slider
- 6 Welded D-ring
- 7 Strong polyester thread



TOOLS CHECKLIST

- 1 Sewing machine
- 2 Iron + ironing surface
- 3 Quilting ruler or tape measure
- 4 Scissors or rotary cutter
- 5 Clips or pins
- 6 Lighter or fray check for sealing webbing ends
- 7 Fabric marker



Cut Chart

Cut fabric, interfacing, and webbing for one collar.

Piece	Small (5/8 in finished width)	Medium (3/4 in finished width)	Large (1 in finished width)
Long fabric strip	15.5 in x 1.75 in	19.5 in x 2 in	23.5 in x 2.5 in
Short fabric strip	5.5 in x 1.75 in	6 in x 2 in	6.5 in x 2.5 in
Long interfacing strip	15.5 in x 1.75 in	19.5 in x 2 in	23.5 in x 2.5 in
Short interfacing strip	5.5 in x 1.75 in	6 in x 2 in	6.5 in x 2.5 in
Long webbing strip	14.5 in x 5/8 in	18.5 in x 3/4 in	22.5 in x 1 in
Short webbing strip	4.5 in x 5/8 in	5 in x 3/4 in	5.5 in x 1 in

- 1 The fabric strip widths already allow for 1/4 in folds on both long edges before wrapping around the webbing.
- 2 Keep the long and short pieces labeled and separated after cutting.



Prepare the Fabric-Covered Straps

Make one long strap and one short strap.



1 Fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of each fabric strip.



2 Fold each long raw edge inward by 1/4 in and press.



3 Center the matching webbing strip inside the folded fabric wrap.



4 Clip in place and topstitch close to both long edges.

♥ FINISHED RESULT



Long strap (open ends)



Short strap (open ends)



TIP:

Keep the stitching straight and parallel to the edges. Do not sew the ends closed yet because the hardware folds will hide the raw ends.



Sew the Short Fixed Section

Attach the female buckle and D-ring.

1 Take the short strap.



2 Thread one end through the D-ring.



3 Continue through the female buckle slot.



4 Fold the tail back.



5 Keep the D-ring sitting between the buckle and the folded section.



6 Sew a strong box-X stitch across the folded tail.



FOLD-BACK REFERENCE

 **Small:** 1.5 in

 **Medium:** 1.75 in

 **Large:** 2 in

CORRECT FINISHED RESULT



 Check that the strap is not twisted before sewing. The D-ring should move freely but stay captured between the buckle and the stitch line.



Sew the Long Adjustable Section

Attach the male buckle and add the slider.

1 Take the long strap.



2 Thread one end through the male buckle.



3 Fold the tail back.



4 Sew a strong box-X stitch across the folded tail.



5 Slide the tri-glide slider onto the free end of the strap.



6 Leave the free end open because it will become the adjustment tail.



FOLD-BACK REFERENCE

 **Small:**
1.5 in

 **Medium:**
1.75 in

 **Large:**
2 in

CORRECT RESULT



The long strap must stay flat and untwisted.
Keep the slider aligned so the adjustment path will work smoothly.



Thread the Adjustment System

Join both sections and create the adjustable loop.

THREADING DIAGRAM



- 1 Take the free end of the long strap.
- 2 Pass it through the female buckle slot.
- 3 Bring the tail back through the tri-glide slider to lock the adjustment path.
- 4 Leave about 2 in of free tail beyond the tri-glide at the largest setting.
- 5 Pull the strap to test that the collar loosens and tightens smoothly.

FINISHED ASSEMBLY SEQUENCE

- 1 Start with the free end of the long strap.



- 2 Pass the strap through the female buckle slot.



- 3 Bring it back through the tri-glide slider.



- 4 Leave about 2 in of tail beyond the tri-glide at the largest setting.



The strap must lie flat all the way through the buckle and slider. If the strap twists, unthread it and correct the path before finishing.



At the largest setting, keep at least 2 in of tail still engaged through the slider for security.



Reinforce + Finish Neatly

Check the stress points and clean up the collar.



QUALITY CHECKLIST



All box-X stitches are straight and secure.



The long edge topstitching is even.



The collar tightens and loosens smoothly.



The D-ring sits correctly beside the female buckle.



The collar lies flat with no twists.



Webbing ends are sealed neatly and loose threads are trimmed.



STRESS POINTS

Male buckle side (folded, stitched area)



Female buckle + D-ring side (folded, stitched area)



Press the fabric lightly, trim threads, and test every reinforced point by hand before the collar is ready to sell.



Final Fit + Selling Checklist

Confirm the size range and prepare the collar for resale.



FINISHED SIZE SUMMARY



Small:

fits 10–14 in neck /
Finished width: 5/8 in



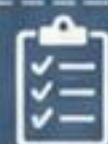
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SELLER CHECKLIST

- 1 Test the buckle click.
- 2 Check the tri-glide grip.
- 3 Confirm the collar adjusts through the full size range.
- 4 Use the two-finger fit rule on a sample neck form.
- 5 Label the size clearly for sale.
- 6 Add care instructions: spot clean or hand wash, then air dry.
- 7 Add safety note: inspect before each use and do not use as a tie-out collar.



TWO-FINGER FIT RULE

You should be able to fit two fingers comfortably between the collar and your dog's neck.



CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Spot clean or hand wash with mild soap, then air dry.



SAFETY NOTE

Inspect before each use and do not use as a tie-out collar.



Your Rainy Day Collar is finished and ready to photograph, package, and sell.

