

# FROM THE FOUNDER OF THE #VIKISEWS BRAND

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Back in 2016, when I was working on my first set of sewing instructions, I was trying to write them in such a way that even a complete beginner could easily understand and use them to create their very first garment. These instructions laid the foundation for the Vikisews brand, its vision and its mission. I wanted to create modern patterns with the utmost detailed and clear instructions.

Now, with each new collection we are constantly improving our instructions, amending them and adding more relevant details. By the time the final product reaches you, our drafters, correctors, and editors would have spent weeks perfecting every word and every photograph. If you compile a few of our instructions together, you will get a sewing manual that will assist you in sewing all kinds of garments at any difficulty level.

And I would be very happy if these instructions helped you to turn your hobby into a lifelong passion... Enjoy the process! Create your ultimate dream wardrobe! Wear your garments proudly for years to come!

If you have any questions, please contact us at [info@vikisews.com](mailto:info@vikisews.com) — we are always there to help.



## HAZEL PATTERN DESCRIPTION

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Hazel is a close-fitting off-the-shoulder dress with a wide foldover collar. The dress is flared toward the bottom. The long raglan sleeves are close-fitting and flared. Hazel is ankle-length.



## IMPORTANT!

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# TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Bust ease	Waistline ease	Hipline ease	Upper arm ease
cm	-10.7 – -9.6	2.5–4.5	-2.7	0.3–0.7
inches	-4 1/4 – -3 3/4	1–1 3/4	-1 1/8	1/8–1/4

# GARMENT LENGTH, SLEEVE LENGTH

Height, cm	Garment length from waist down (estimated), cm	Sleeve length (estimated), cm
1 (154–160)	94	60–61.3
2 (162–168)	97	61.7–63
3 (170–176)	100	63.3–64.6
4 (178–184)	103	65.4–66.7
Height, ft	Garment length from waist down (estimated), in	Sleeve length (estimated), in
1 (5'1"–5'3")	37	23 5/8–24 1/8
2 (5'4"–5'6")	38 1/4	24 1/4–24 3/4
3 (5'7"–5'9")	39 3/8	24 7/8–25 3/8
4 (5'10"–6'1")	40 1/2	25 3/4–26 1/4

# SUGGESTED FABRIC

To sew this dress, choose knit fabrics with the following properties:

- soft, stretchy, medium-weight, highly elastic
- the fiber content should include elastane or spandex and can also include natural fibers (wool, cotton), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (wool + polyester, cotton + polyester, cotton + elastane, etc.), and synthetics (polyester)
- the following fabrics are recommended: sweater knits, rib knits, Ponte di Roma.

**Attention!** We recommend using only stretchy fabrics for this dress.

The dress in the photos is made of sweater knit. The fabric is medium-weight, pliable, soft, medium-stretch.

The fiber content is a blend of 10% viscose, 80% acrylic, and 10% spandex. The fabric weight is 340 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

**IMPORTANT!** When purchasing fabric, please account for shrinkage and buy 5% more than required.

2. Clear elastic, 1 cm (3/8") wide – 0.85–1.05 m (7/8–1 1/8 yd) depending on the size. The exact elastic length is specified in the pattern.

3. Matching thread – 5 spools (1 spool for the sewing machine + 4 spools for the overlocker).

## TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

- sewing machine for construction
- overlocker for construction and finishing raw edges. It can be replaced with a stretch overlock stitch or a zigzag stitch on the sewing machine (overlock or zigzag stitch width 2–3 mm, stitch length 2.5 mm)
- coverstitch or coverlock machine for finishing the garment hem and sleeve hems. If you don't have a coverstitch machine, it can be replaced with a twin needle on any regular sewing machine that can do a zigzag stitch.
- latch hook. It can be replaced with a large-eye needle.

**IMPORTANT!** We recommend using specialty needles when working with knit fabrics (for example, *STRETCH*, *SUPER STRETCH*, *JERSEY*, etc.). These are ballpoint needles, so they part the threads of the fabric you are stitching rather than piercing them.

## PATTERN PIECES LIST

From main fabric:

- front – cut 1 on fold
- back – cut 1 on fold
- sleeve – cut 2
- collar – cut 1 on fold.

**IMPORTANT!** Don't forget to transfer all pattern markings and notches onto the fabric.

## SEAM ALLOWANCES

All pattern pieces include seam allowances as follows:

- garment hem allowance – 2 cm (3/4")
- sleeve hem allowance – 2 cm (3/4")
- all other edges – 1 cm (3/8").

Take this into account when laying out pattern pieces on the fabric.





Press the seam allowances toward the front.



Fold the sleeve in half right sides together, align the edges, match the notches, and pin.



Stitch the seam on the overlocker, keeping the front part of the sleeve facing up.