

FROM THE FOUNDER OF THE #VIKISEWS BRAND



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 — we are always there to help.



DIANA PATTERN DESCRIPTION

Diana is a semi-fitted dress with an accentuated waist and a skirt that flares out towards the bottom. The dress is fitted with front and back princess seams. The back has shoulder darts transferred to the neckline. The front features pockets at the sides. The dress has a round neckline and voluminous, elbow-length, set-in sleeves. The sleeves feature pleats at the caps and darts at the hems. The hems of the sleeves are finished with facings. The dress is finished with a free-hanging lining and fastens with an invisible zipper in the center back seam. Diana is midi length.



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TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Bust ease	Waistline ease	Hipline ease	Upper arm ease
cm	7.8–10.6	7.1–13.5	10.3–16.4	23.3–23.4
inches	3 1/8–4 1/8	2 3/4–5 3/8	4–6 1/2	9 1/8–9 1/4

GARMENT LENGTH, SLEEVE LENGTH

Height, cm	Back length, cm	Sleeve length, cm	Height, ft	Back length, in	Sleeve length, in
1 (154–160)	110.2–111.9	44.5–46.3	1 (5'1"–5'3")	43 3/8–44	17 1/2–18 1/4
2 (162–168)	115.1–116.9	46.5–48.2	2 (5'4"–5'6")	45 3/8–46	18 1/4–19
3 (170–176)	120.1–121.9	48.3–50.1	3 (5'7"–5'9")	47 1/4–48	19–19 3/4
4 (178–184)	125.2–127	50.1–51.9	4 (5'10"–6'1")	49 1/4–50	19 3/4–20 3/8

SUGGESTED FABRIC

To sew this dress, choose dress-weight and suiting fabrics with the following properties:

- medium weight, structured, breathable, low-stretch or non-stretch, with good drape
- the fiber content can include natural fibers (wool, silk, cotton, linen), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (wool + silk, wool + polyester, cotton + viscose, etc.), and synthetics (polyester, polyester + elastane)
- the following fabrics are recommended: dress-weight wool, dress-weight denim, jacquard fabrics

Attention! We do not recommend stretchy knit fabrics and lightweight sheer fabrics (chiffon, organza, stretch lace).

For the lining, we recommend artificial fibers (viscose), blends (viscose + elastane, viscose + polyester), and synthetics (polyester, polyester + elastane).

The dress in the photo is made of dress-weight wool. The fabric is medium weight, with good drape and very little stretch. The fiber content is a blend of wool, viscose, and elastane.

The lining is 97% viscose + 3% elastane.

PATTERN PIECES LIST

1. From main fabric:

- front — cut 2
- top side front — cut 2
- bottom side front — cut 2
- back — cut 2
- side back — cut 2
- sleeve — cut 2
- front neck facing — cut 1 on fold
- back neck facing — cut 2
- sleeve hem facing — cut 2

4. From interfacing:

- front neck facing — cut 1 on fold
- back neck facing — cut 2
- sleeve hem facing — cut 2

The interfacing pieces should be cut on the straight grain.

Additionally, cut the following pieces from interfacing:

- two strips, 2 cm (3/4") wide and as long as the interfaced area, to interface the zipper seam allowances. The interfacing strips should be cut on the cross grain (perpendicular to the selvedge)
- two strips, 5 cm (2") wide and as long as the interfaced area, to interface the grown-on pocket facing on the bottom side front piece

2. From lining fabric:

- front lining — cut 2
- back lining — cut 2
- side front lining — cut 2
- side back lining — cut 2
- pocket lining — cut 2

3. From net fabric:

- sleeve head — cut 2

***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 and lining hem allowances — 2 cm (3/4")
- zipper seam allowance — 1.5 cm (5/8")
- all other edges — 1 cm (3/8")

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



Press and steam the darts. Press the dart seam allowances towards the center back. Shrink out the fullness at the dart point.



Overlock the center edges on the front and back pieces.



Press the seams.