# 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.

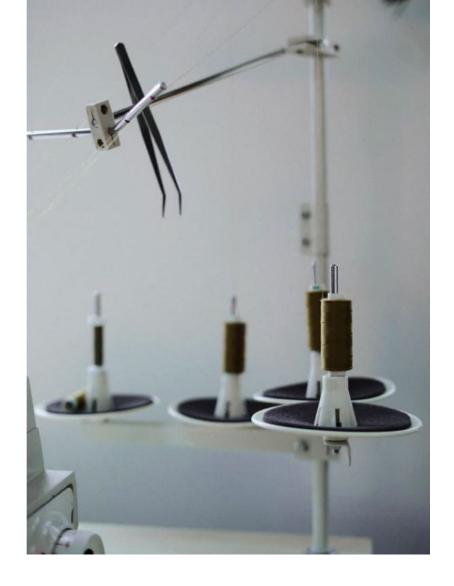
And I would be very happy if these instructions helped you to turn your hobby into a lifelong passion... Enjoy the process! Create your ultimate dream wardrobe! Wear your garments proudly for years to come!

If you have any questions, please contact us at info@vikisews.com — we are always there to help.



# FABIA PATTERN DESCRIPTION

Fabia is a close-fitting dress with an accentuated waist. It features a waist seam, bust darts on the front, and waist darts on the front and back. The skirt is cut on a bias and is flaring out towards the bottom. There is an invisible zipper fastening in the side seam. Fabia features a deep V-shaped neckline that is finished with sheer dress netting. The dress has long fitted set-in sleeves with pleats around the sleeve cap area. Fabia is fully-lined and maxi length.



#### **IMPORTANT!**

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#### TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Bust ease	Waistline ease	Hipline ease	Upper arm ease
cm	7.5	4.2	7.1–12.5	5
inches	3	1 5/8	2 3/4-4 7/8	2

# GARMENT LENGTH, SLEEVE LENGTH

Height, cm	Length at center back, cm	Sleeve length, cm
1 (154–160) 2 (162–168) 3 (170–176) 4 (178–184)	144–145.8 148–149.8 152–153.8 156–157.8	62.6-66.2 64.5-67.9 66.3-69.7 68.2-71.5
Height, ft	Length at center back, in	Sleeve length, in

#### SUGGESTED FABRIC

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

- · medium-weight, soft, breathable, with good drape, non-stretch or with very little stretch, opaque
- the fiber content can include natural fibers (silk, cotton), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (silk + elastane, silk + viscose, etc.) and synthetics (polyester + elastane)
- the following fabrics are recommended: silk, faux silk, satin, crepe, velvet with a silk backing and some elastane content

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

For the lining, choose lining fabrics made of natural fibers (silk), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (silk + elastane, viscose + elastane) and synthetics (polyester + elastane).

The dress in the photo is made of dress-weight silk. This fabric is medium-weight, soft, has good drape and no stretch. The fiber content is silk + viscose. The lining fabric is viscose + elastane. Additionally, the front center panel is made of dress netting.

# TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

- Sewing machine for construction
- Overlocker for finishing raw edges. This may 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)
- · Stitch-in-the-ditch foot for the sewing machine (optional)
- · Invisible zipper foot for the sewing machine

# PATTERN PIECES LIST

- 1. From main fabric:
- · Back cut 1 on fold
- Front cut 2
- · Sleeve cut 2
- · Waistband cut 1
- Skirt cut 2

- 2. From lining fabric:
- · Back cut 1 on fold
- Front cut 2
- Skirt cut 2
- 3. From dress netting fabric:
- Front center panel 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:

- 1.5 cm (5/8") for back and back lining side seams
- 1.5 cm (5/8") for front and front lining side seams
- 1.5 cm (5/8") for skirt and skirt lining side seams
- 1.5 cm (5/8") for waistband side edges
- · 2 cm (3/4") for sleeve hems
- 1 cm (3/8") for all other edges

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



Attention! From size 40 onwards, it is recommended to trim the darts on the front, back, front lining and back lining pieces.

Measure 1 cm (3/8") from the dart fold and trim.



If your fabric is prone to fraying, finish the seams on the overlocker, with the bottom of the dart facing up.

Press the seam flat.

Press the dart using the steam setting on your iron. Press the dart upwards, shrink out the ease around the dart apex using steam, then use a tailor's clapper to set.



Place the front and back pieces right sides together. Align the side seams, pin and baste if necessary.