

# FROM THE FOUNDER OF THE #VIKISEWS BRAND

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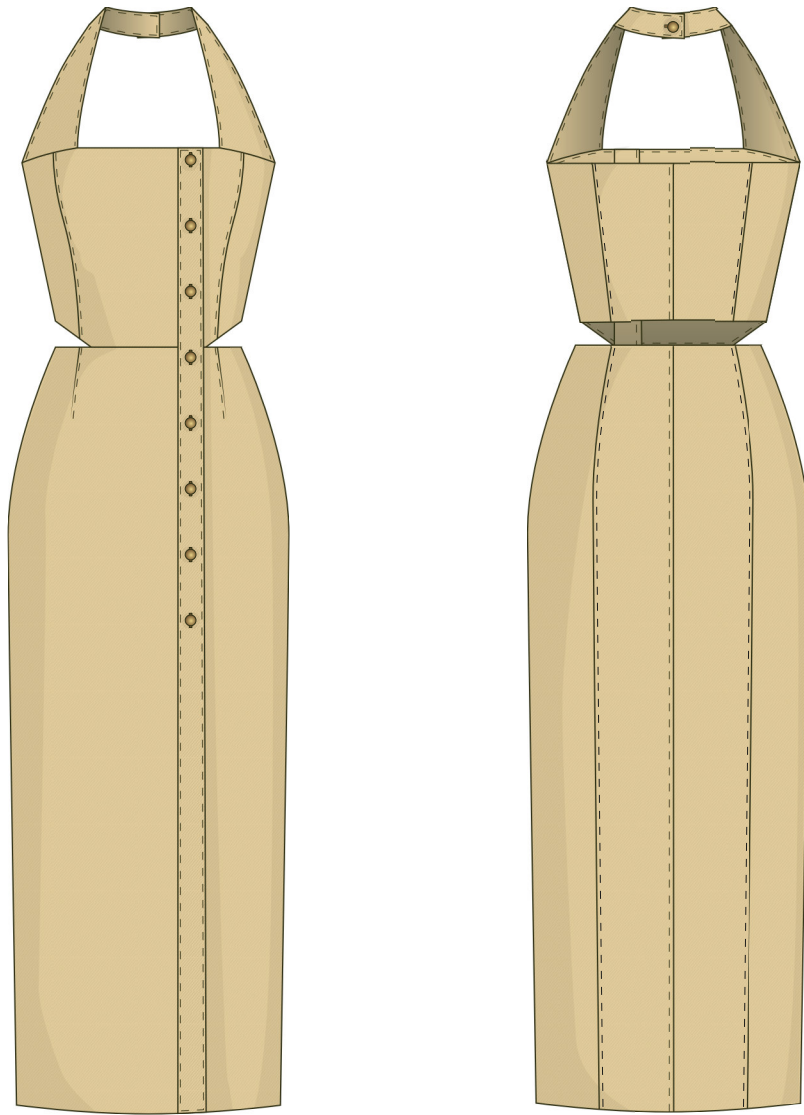


Back in 2016, when I was working on my first set of sewing instructions, I was trying to write them in such a way that even a complete beginner could easily understand and use them to create their very first garment. These instructions laid the foundation for the Vikisews brand, its vision and its mission.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



## LULU PATTERN DESCRIPTION

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Lulu is a close-fitting dress with a waistline seam. Bust and waist darts are converted into princess seams on the bodice front. The dress features an asymmetrical left side placket and closes with buttons and buttonholes. The front of the skirt is fitted with waist darts. The upper edges of the bodice front and back are finished with facings. Two straps are sewn into the upper edge of the bodice front. They fasten with a button and buttonhole at the back of the neck. There is a decorative cutout at the waist back and sides. The waist cutout is also finished with facings. The back of the dress features a center seam and princess seams on the bodice and skirt. The dress is topstitched along the princess seams, plackets, darts, and straps. The dress is mid-calf length.



## IMPORTANT!

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## TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

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Bust ease, cm	Waistline ease, cm	Hipline ease, cm
0.2-2.8	1.6-3	3.2-4

## GARMENT LENGTH

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Height, cm	Skirt length from waist down at center back, cm
1 (154-160)	72.9-73.5
2 (162-168)	75.2-75.6
3 (170-176)	77.9-78.5
4 (178-184)	80.9-81.6

## SUGGESTED FABRIC

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

- medium weight, soft, non-stretch or with very little stretch, opaque
- the fiber content can include natural fibers (cotton, linen), blends (cotton + polyester, cotton + viscose, etc.) and synthetics (polyester, polyester + elastane)
- the following fabrics are recommended: gabardine, denim, heavyweight cotton, sateen, corduroy

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

The dress in the photos is made from 100% cotton denim. This fabric is medium weight, soft, without stretch.

# PATTERN PIECES LIST

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## 1. From main fabric:

- right center front bodice - cut 1
- left center front bodice - cut 1
- side front bodice - cut 2
- center back bodice - cut 2
- side back bodice - cut 2
- right front skirt - cut 1
- left front skirt - cut 1
- center back skirt - cut 2
- side back skirt - cut 2
- left front strap - cut 2
- right front strap - cut 2
- right front top bodice facing - cut 1
- right front bottom bodice facing - cut 1
- back bodice top facing - cut 1 on fold
- back bodice bottom facing - cut 1 on fold
- left front top bodice facing - cut 1
- left front bottom bodice facing - cut 1
- back skirt facing - cut 1 on fold
- left front skirt facing - cut 1
- right front skirt facing - cut 1
- placket - cut 2

## 2. From interfacing:

- right front top bodice facing - cut 1
- right front bottom bodice facing - cut 1
- back bodice top facing - cut 1 on fold
- back bodice bottom facing - cut 1 on fold
- left front top bodice facing - cut 1
- left front bottom bodice facing - cut 1
- back skirt facing - cut 1 on fold
- left front skirt facing - cut 1
- right front skirt facing - cut 1
- left front strap - cut 2
- right front strap - cut 2
- placket - cut 2

**IMPORTANT!** Don't forget to transfer all the notches from the pattern to your fabric.

# SEAM ALLOWANCES

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Pattern pieces include the following seam allowances:

- hem allowance - 3cm
- all other edges - 1cm

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



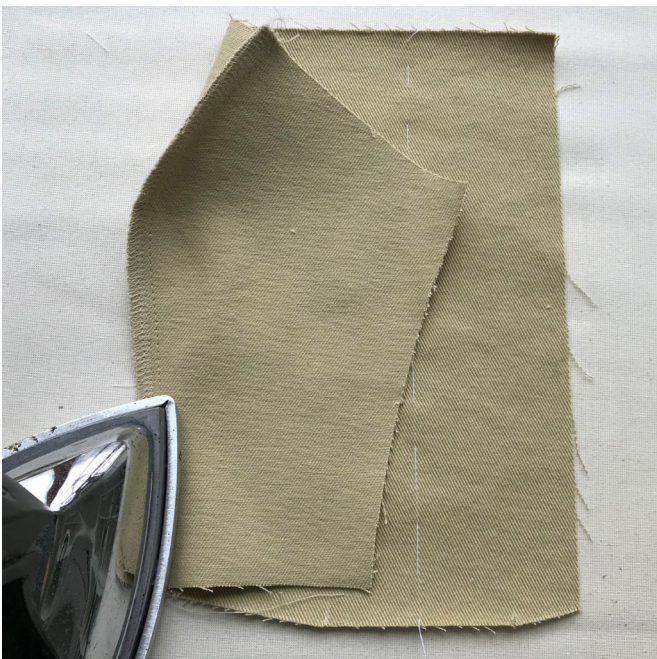


- Place the following pieces right sides together:
- right center front bodice and side front bodice
  - left center front bodice and side front bodice



Align the edges, match the notches. Pin the pieces together, baste by hand if necessary, stitch on the sewing machine, backstitching at the beginning and end of the seam.

Place your basting stitches 1.2cm from the edge so that they don't get caught in the machine stitching.



Finish the seam allowances on the overlocker. Overlock with the side front bodice facing up. Press the seams flat.