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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 — we are always there to help.



ARWEN PATTERN DESCRIPTION

Arwen is a semi-fitted trapeze skirt. It features a grown-on elasticated waistband. The skirt is midi length.



IMPORTANT!

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TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Waistline ease (at waistband)	Hipline ease			
cm	3.1-3.2	-1.5 to -2			
inches	1 1/4	-5/8 to -3/4			

GARMENT LENGTH

Height, cm Side seam length including waistband, cm		Height, ft	Side seam length including waistband, in		
1 (154–160)	89	1 (5′1″–5′3″)	35		
2 (162–168)	93	2 (5'4"-5'6")	36 5/8		
3 (170–176)	97	3 (5′7″–5′9″)	38 1/4		
4 (178–184)	101	4 (5′10″–6′1″)	39 3/4		

SUGGESTED FABRIC

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

- · soft, medium stretch (stretch factor 1.2), medium weight
- the fiber content should include elastane or spandex and can also include natural fibers (wool, cotton), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (wool + polyester, cotton + polyester, etc.), and synthetics (polyester, polyamide)
 - · the following fabrics are recommended: sweater knits containing angora, wool

Attention! We recommend using only stretchy knit fabrics for this skirt.

You can determine the stretch factor of the fabric yourself. Mark 10 cm (4") along the crosswise grain of the fabric, lay a ruler next to the marked section and stretch the fabric. Divide the measurement you get by 10.

The skirt in the photo is made of wool knit fabric. The fabric is medium weight, soft, and medium stretch. The fiber content is a blend of polyester (70%) and wool (30%). The fabric weight is 320 g/m².

2. Elastic, 3 cm (1 1/8") wide, for finishing the top edge of the skirt, for all heights:

Size	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52
cm	59	62.6	66.2	69.8	73.4	77	80.6	84.2	87.8	91.4
inches	23 1/4	24 5/8	26 1/8	27 1/2	28 7/8	30 3/8	31 3/4	33 1/8	34 5/8	36

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

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. 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

IMPORTANT! We recommend using specialty needles when working with knit fabrics (for example, STRETCH, SUPER STRETCH, JERSEY, etc.). When sewing, a ball-shaped needle point pushes the knit loops apart without piercing the threads.

PATTERN PIECES LIST

- 1. From main fabric:
- front cut 1 on fold
- · back cut 1 on fold

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

IMPORTANT! When cutting, go from bottom to top as the loops unravel. Don't forget to transfer all pattern markings and notches onto the fabric.



Press the seams flat.



Press the seam allowances towards the front piece.

Press the 3 cm (1 1/8") waistband section of the side seam allowances towards the back piece. Repeat for the similar hem section.



Press the hem allowance to the wrong side of the garment following the hemline marking.