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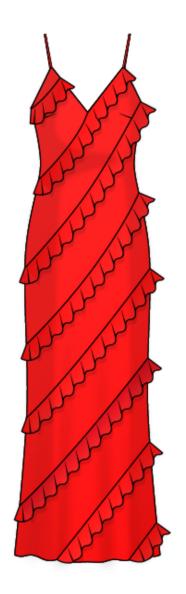


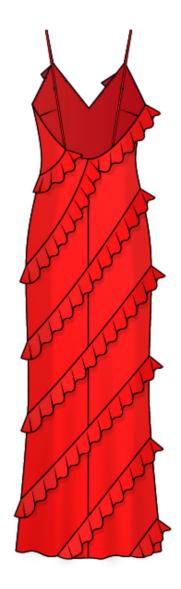
Back in 2016, when I was working on my first set of sewing instructions, I was trying to write them in such a way that even a complete beginner could easily understand and use them to create their very first garment. These instructions laid the foundation for the Vikisews brand, its vision and its mission.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





# SAMIRA PATTERN DESCRIPTION

Samira is a close-fitting slip dress. The silhouette is achieved through a bias cut design and a center back seam. The front is shaped with bust darts. The dress features adjustable straps and diagonal design lines with flounces. Samira has a free-hanging lining and is below-ankle length.



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## TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Bust ease (estimated)	Waistline ease (estimated)	Hipline ease (estimated)
cm	0	11–15	11
inches	0	4 3/8-5 7/8	4 3/8

## **GARMENT LENGTH**

Height, cm	Back length from waist down (estimated), cm	Height, ft	Back length from waist down (estimated), in
1 (154–160)	90	1 (5′1″–5′3″)	35 3/8
2 (162–168)	93	2 (5'4"-5'6")	36 5/8
3 (170–176)	96	3 (5′7″–5′9″)	37 3/4
4 (178–184)	99	4 (5′10″–6′1″)	39

# **SUGGESTED FABRIC**

To sew this dress, choose lightweight to medium-weight, soft, non-stretch or low-stretch, opaque or semi-sheer dress-weight fabrics made of natural, artificial, synthetic fibers, or blends.

The following fabrics are recommended: dress-weight viscose, crepe de chine, chiffon, natural or artificial silk.

Fabrics with a blended fiber content are preferable, as they are less prone to wrinkling, generally more resistant to wear and tear, and more durable.

The lining fabric should have the same properties as the main fabric. If you can, use the same fabric for the outer layer and lining, as even a slight difference in fabric properties can cause a distortion of the garment shape.

Attention! We do not recommend stretchy knit fabrics.

The dress in the photo is made of chiffon. The fabric is medium weight, soft, and low-stretch. The fiber content is 100% polyester. The fabric weight is 130 g/ $m^2$ .

The lining is made of the main fabric.

# FABRIC AND NOTIONS REQUIREMENTS

1.1. Main fabric (unlined garment), 140 cm wide, with a directional print, in meters:

Height, cm		Size										
	34	36	38	40–44	46	48	50	52				
1 (154–160)	2.6	2.8	2.9	3	3	3.05	3.25	3.3				
2 (162–168) 3 (170–176)	2.7 2.8	2.8 2.8	2.9 2.95	3 3	3 3.1	3.1 3.15	3.25 3.25	3.3 3.3				
4 (178–184)	2.8	2.8	2.95	3	3.1	3.2	3.25	3.3				

Main fabric (unlined garment), 55" wide, with a directional print, in yards:

Height, ft	Size										
	34	36	38	40-44	46	48	50	52			
1 (5′1″–5′3″)	2 7/8	3	3 1/8	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 3/8	3 1/2	3 5/8			
2 (5'4"-5'6")	3	3	3 1/8	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 3/8	3 1/2	3 5/8			
3 (5′7″–5′9″)	3	3	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 3/8	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 5/8			
4 (5′10″–6′1″)	3	3	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 3/8	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 5/8			

1.2. Main fabric (outer layer + lining, same fabric), 140 cm wide, with a directional print, in meters:

Height, cm	Size										
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	
1 (154–160)	3.65	3.8	3.9	4	4.2	4.25	4.4	4.45	4.6	4.6	
2 (162–168)	3.8	3.9	4	4.05	4.2	4.25	4.5	4.55	4.75	_	
3 (170–176)	3.9	4	4.05	4.1	4.25	4.3	4.75	4.8	4.85	_	
4 (178–184)	4.2	4.2	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.35	4.85	_	_	_	

Main fabric (outer layer + lining, same fabric), 55" wide, with a directional print, in yards:

Height, ft	Size											
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52		
1 (5′1″–5′3″)	4	4 1/8	4 1/4	4 3/8	4 5/8	4 5/8	4 3/4	4 7/8	5	5		
2 (5'4"-5'6")	4 1/8	4 1/4	4 3/8	4 3/8	4 5/8	4 5/8	4 7/8	5	5 1/4	_		
3 (5′7″–5′9″)	4 1/4	4 3/8	4 3/8	4 1/2	4 5/8	4 3/4	5 1/4	5 1/4	5 1/4	_		
4 (5′10″-6′1″)	4 5/8	4 5/8	4 5/8	4 5/8	4 5/8	4 3/4	5 1/4	_	_	_		

1.3. Main fabric (outer layer + lining, same fabric), 150 cm wide, with a directional print, in meters:

Height, cm					Si	ze				
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52
1 (154–160)	3.45	3.5	3.65	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.15	4.25	4.45	4.45
2 (162–168)	3.5	3.55	3.7	3.85	3.95	4	4.15	4.35	4.45	4.5
3 (170–176)	3.55	3.65	3.75	3.9	4	4	4.25	4.4	4.5	4.5
4 (178–184)	3.65	3.7	3.8	3.95	4	4.05	4.35	4.45	4.55	4.55

Main fabric (outer layer + lining, same fabric), 59" wide, with a directional print, in yards:

Height, ft	Size											
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52		
1 (5'1"-5'3") 2 (5'4"-5'6") 3 (5'7"-5'9")	3 3/4 3 7/8 3 7/8	3 7/8 3 7/8 4	4 4 4 1/8	4 1/8 4 1/4 4 1/4	4 1/4 4 3/8 4 3/8	4 1/4 4 3/8 4 3/8	4 1/2 4 1/2 4 5/8	4 5/8 4 3/4 4 3/4	4 7/8 4 7/8 4 7/8	4 7/8 4 7/8 4 7/8		
4 (5′10″–6′1″)	4	4	4 1/8	4 3/8	4 3/8	4 3/8	4 3/4	4 7/8	5	5		

1.4. Main fabric (outer layer only), 140 cm wide, with a directional print, in meters:

Height, cm					Si	ze				
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52
1 (154–160)	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.65	2.7	2.7	2.9	2.9	2.95	2.95
2 (162–168)	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.7	2.75	2.75	2.95	2.95	3	3
3 (170–176)	2.5	2.55	2.55	2.75	2.75	2.8	3	3	3.05	3.05
4 (178–184)	2.6	2.65	2.65	2.75	2.8	2.8	3.05	3.05	3.1	3.1

Main fabric (outer layer only), 55" wide, with a directional print, in yards:

Height, ft		Size											
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52			
1 (5′1″–5′3″)	2 1/2	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 7/8	3	3	3 1/8	3 1/8	3 1/4	3 1/4			
2 (5'4"-5'6")	2 5/8	2 3/4	2 3/4	3	3	3	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4			
3 (5′7″–5′9″)	2 3/4	2 3/4	2 3/4	3	3	3	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 3/8	3 3/8			
4 (5′10″-6′1″)	2 7/8	2 7/8	2 7/8	3	3	3	3 3/8	3 3/8	3 3/8	3 3/8			

2.1. Lining fabric, 140 cm wide, with a directional print, in meters:

Height, cm	Размер										
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	
1 (154–160)	1.9	1.95	2	2	2.05	2.05	2.15	2.15	2.2	2.3	
2 (162–168)	1.95	1.95	2	2.05	2.1	2.1	2.15	2.2	2.25	_	
3 (170–176)	2	2	2.05	2.1	2.15	2.15	2.2	2.25	2.3	_	
4 (178–184)	2	2.05	2.1	2.1	2.15	2.2	2.25	_	_	_	

Lining fabric, 55" wide, with a directional print, in yards:

Height, ft		Size											
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52			
1 (5'1"-5'3") 2 (5'4"-5'6") 3 (5'7"-5'9")	2 1/8 2 1/8 2 1/8	2 1/8 2 1/8 2 1/8	2 1/8 2 1/8 2 1/4	2 1/8 2 1/4 2 1/4	2 1/4 2 1/4 2 3/8	2 1/4 2 1/4 2 3/8	2 3/8 2 3/8 2 3/8	2 3/8 2 3/8 2 1/2	2 3/8 2 1/2 2 1/2	2 1/2 - -			
4 (5′10″–6′1″)	2 1/8	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 3/8	2 3/8	2 1/2	-	-	-			

2.2. Lining fabric, 150 cm wide, with a directional print, in meters:

Height, cm	Size									
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52
1 (154–160)	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.85	1.9	2	2	2.05	2.15	2.2
2 (162–168)	1.75	1.8	1.85	1.95	2	2	2.05	2.1	2.2	2.25
3 (170–176)	1.8	1.85	1.95	2	2.1	2.15	2.15	2.2	2.25	2.3
4 (178–184)	1.9	1.9	2	2.05	2.1	2.15	2.15	2.25	2.25	2.3

Lining fabric, 59" wide, with a directional print, in yards:

Height, ft	Size									
	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52
1 (5′1″–5′3″)	1 7/8	2	2	2	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/4	2 3/8	2 3/8
2 (5'4"-5'6")	1 7/8	2	2	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 3/8	2 1/2
3 (5′7″–5′9″)	2	2	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/4	2 3/8	2 3/8	2 3/8	2 1/2	2 1/2
4 (5′10″–6′1″)	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/8	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 3/8	2 3/8	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2

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

- 3. Matching thread -4 spools (1 spool for the sewing machine +3 spools for the overlocker).
- 4. One set of accessories for straps: 2 sliders and 2 rings.

# 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)
- · loop turner

## PATTERN PIECES LIST

### For a lined garment:

## 1. From main fabric:

- front 1a cut 1
- front 1 cut 1
- front 2 cut 1
- front 3 cut 1
- front 4 cut 1
- front 5 cut 1
- front 6 cut 1
- front 7 cut 1
- front 8 cut 1
- right back 1 cut 1
- right back 2 cut 1
- right back 3 cut 1
- right back 4 cut 1
- right back 5 cut 1
- right back 6 cut 1
- 1.6.1. 1.1
- left back 1 cut 1
- left back 2 cut 1
- left back 3 cut 1
- left back 4 cut 1
- left back 5 cut 1
- left back 6 cut 1
- left back 7 cut 1
- strap cut 2
- flounce cut 5.

#### 2. From lining fabric:

- front lining cut 1
- left back lining cut 1
- right back lining cut 1.

The lining pieces can be cut out of the main or lining fabric.

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

### For an unlined garment:

#### 1. From main fabric:

- front 1a cut 1
- front 1 cut 1
- front 2 cut 1
- front 3 cut 1
- none 3 cat i
- front 4 cut 1
- front 5 cut 1
- front 6 cut 1
- front 7 cut 1
- front 8 cut 1
- right back 1 cut 1
- right back 2 cut 1
- right back 3 cut 1
- right back 4 cut 1
- right back 5 cut 1
- right back 6 cut 1
- · left back 1 cut 1
- left back 2 cut 1
- · left back 3 cut 1
- left back 4 cut 1
- · left back 5 cut 1
- left back 6 cut 1
- left back 7 cut 1
- strap cut 2
- flounce cut 5
- front facing cut 1
- back facing cut 1.

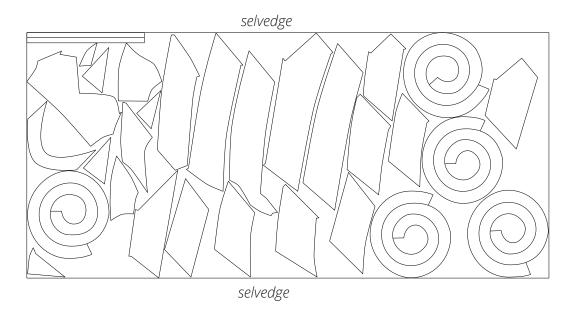
IMPORTANT! The pattern pieces with the word "face" printed on them should be cut from the right side of the fabric, i.e. with both the pattern piece and fabric facing up.

# **SEAM ALLOWANCES**

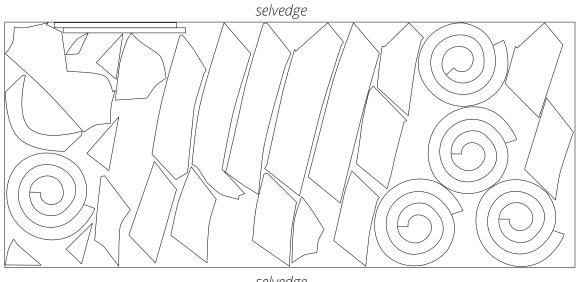
All pattern pieces include 1 cm (3/8") seam allowances. Take this into account when laying out pattern pieces on the fabric.

# **CUTTING LAYOUT**

Main fabric (unlined garment), 140 cm (55") wide, with a directional print, cut on a single layer, for sizes 34-44 in all heights



Main fabric (unlined garment), 140 cm (55") wide, with a directional print, cut on a single layer, for sizes 46-52 in all heights





Press the dart on the front 1 piece upwards.



Match and pin the dart legs on the wrong side of the front 2 piece.

Machine-stitch the dart. Backstitch at the raw edge and leave long thread tails at the dart point.

Press the dart flat.



Tie the thread tails into a knot and hide them inside the dart bulk using a hand-sewing needle.