



A-Line Skirt with Front Pockets

Description







Often instead of making'Â intricate garments, what we really need is something simple, easy to make and great to add to our wardrobe. This tutorial shows a typical A Line skirt, finished with a zip and two pockets in the front.

Material

2 yards of [IL019 Blue Heaven Softened](#)

Matching sewing thread

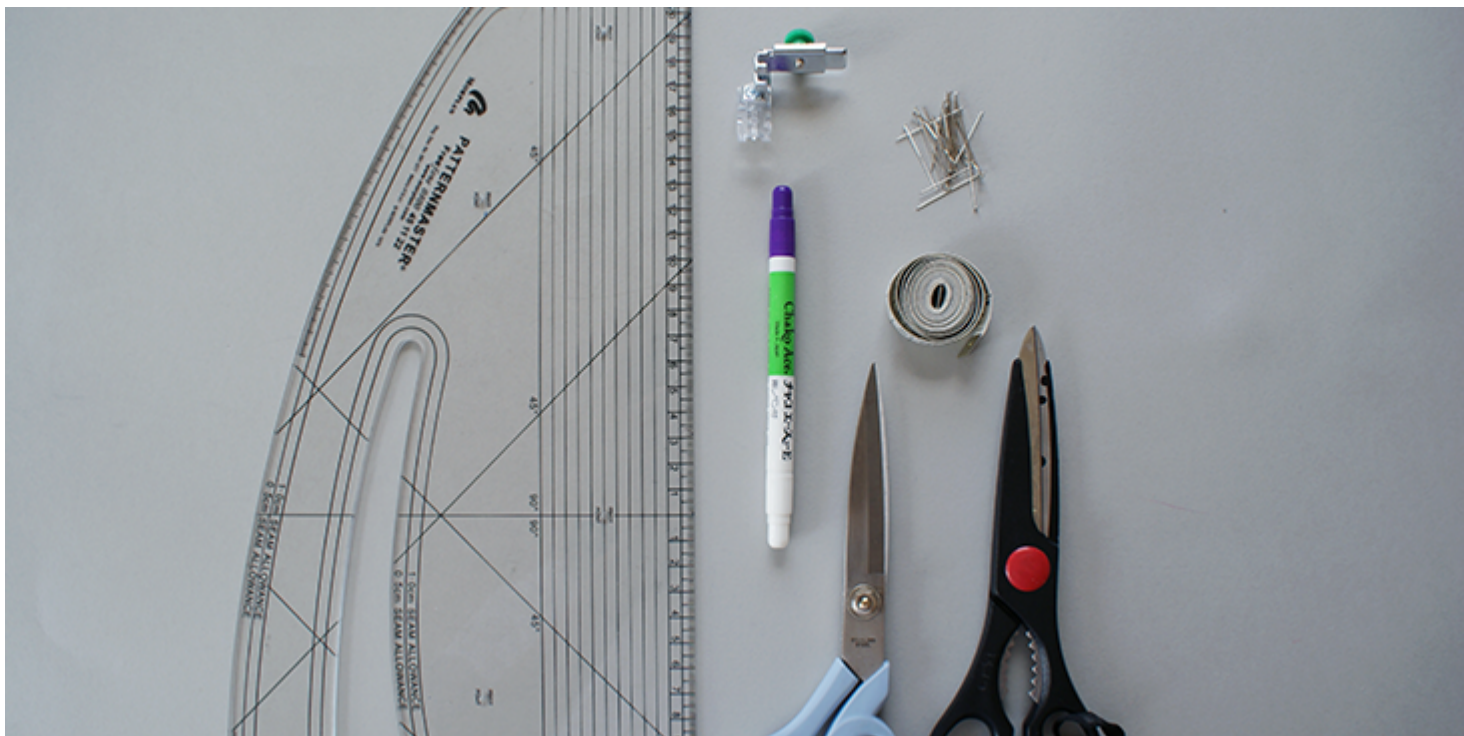
An invisible zip

A pair of hook and eye



Tools

Pattern master, pattern paper
Paper scissors, fabric scissors
Fabric marker, pins, tape measure
Invisible zip sewing foot



Time

2-3 hours

Difficulty

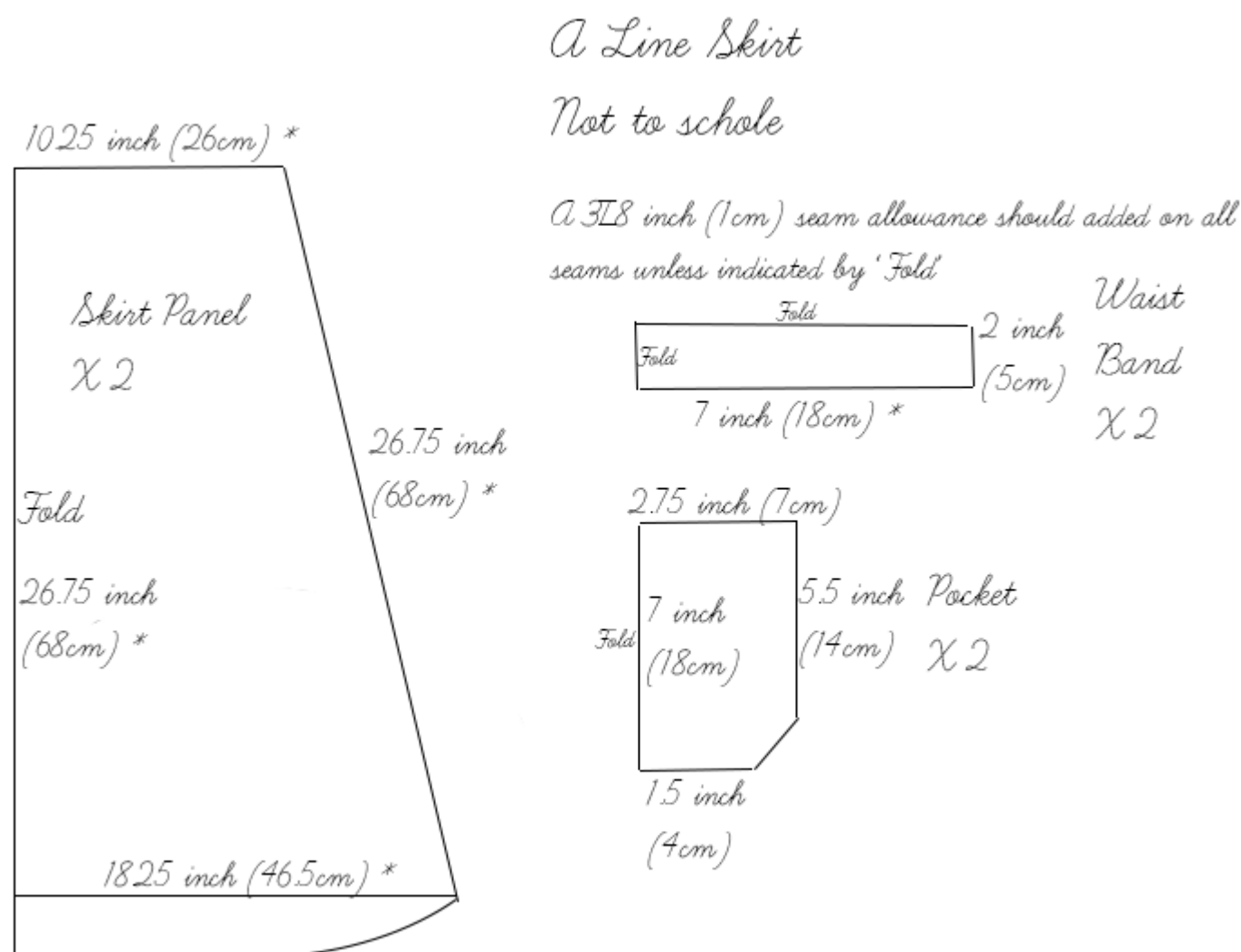
Beginner

Step

Note: Prewash your fabric and tumble dry it until it is still slightly moist, let this dry in room temperature

1. Iron the fabric so it is easier to work with
2. The diagram shows the pattern for a size US6-8 (UK10-12). If you need to adjust the size, please follow [this tutorial](#) for grading pattern.

Feel free to experiment with the shape of your pockets, you could make them smaller, or try rounded corners.



3. Use a serger, or choose your own method to protect the seams from fraying. Make sure the method you choose does not add weight to the fabric.
4. Press all the edges of the pockets towards its wrong side.



5. Top stitch the top seam.



6. Place them evenly on one of the skirt panels near the top. It's placement can be arranged as you feel comfortable.

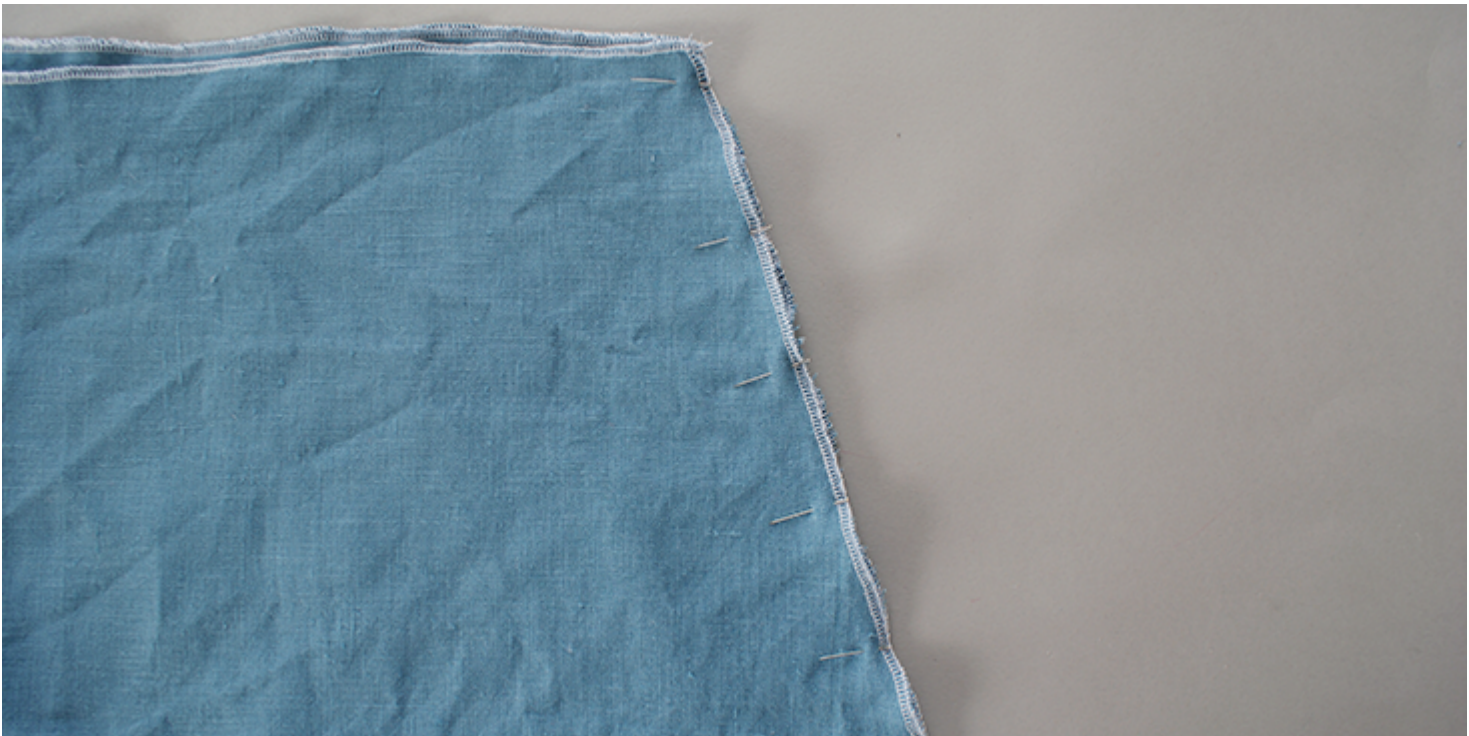


7. Pin the pockets down to secure its placement and top stitch over the

remaining seam.



8. Pin together one side seam of the skirt panel.



9. Stitch along the seam allowance and press the seam open
10. Change the stitching length to highest (widest option). Stitch it around 1/8 inch (0.5cm) seam from the top seam on the skirt. Do not reverse or go over the beginning or the end of the stitching.
11. Leave a long tail for the thread at the end of the stitching.

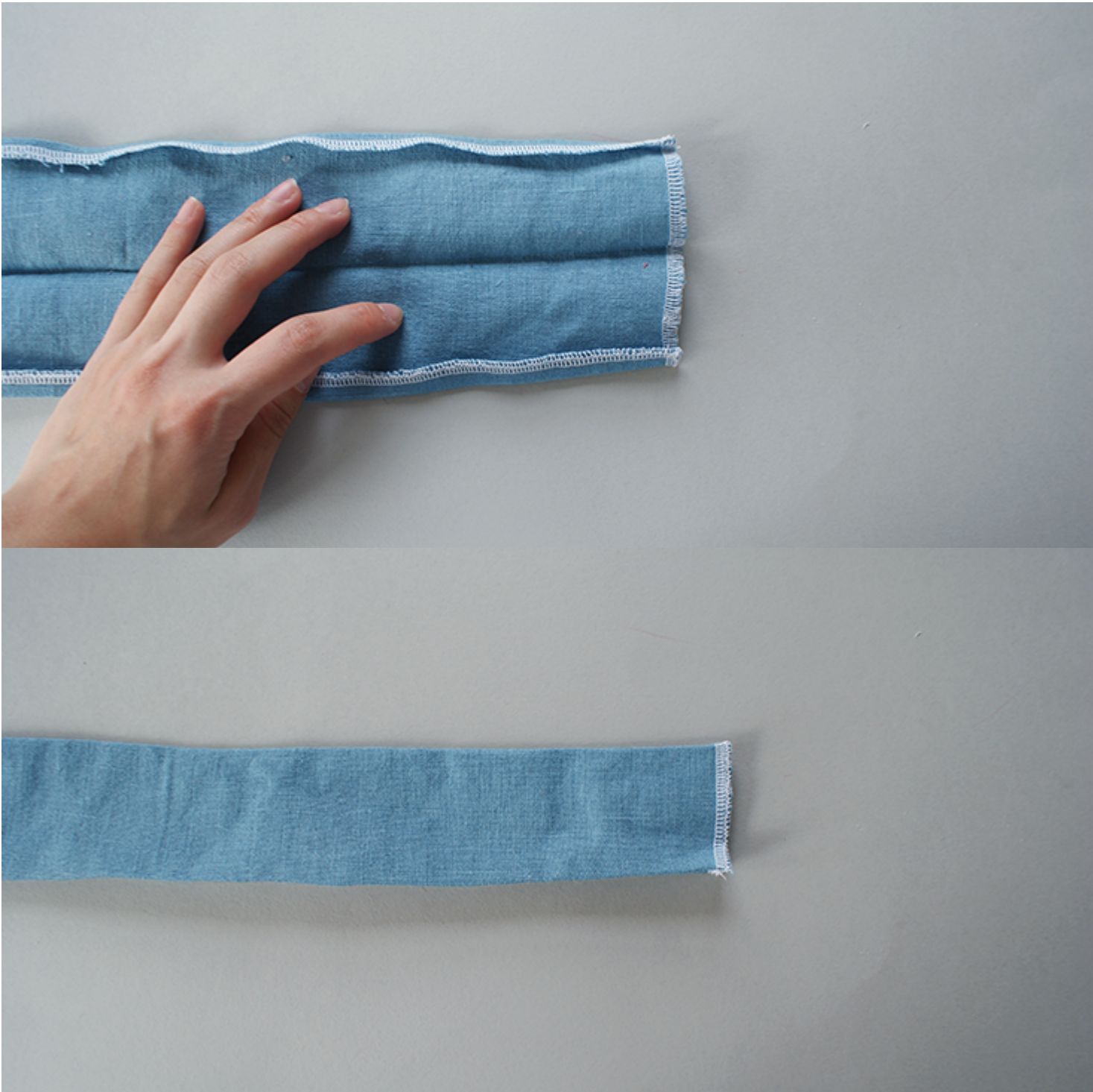


12. Pin the side seam of the two panels of waist band together. Stitch along and press open.



13. Fold the waist band in half and press on the folded line.

14. Press $\frac{3}{8}$ inch (1cm) on both side towards the wrong side of the band. You will be gathering your skirt panels to the length of the waist band. Press the seam allowance of the open side seam towards its wrong side.



15. To evenly gather the skirt panel, pull gently at the thread you have left long and move the fabric along the stitching.

16. Lie the gathered skirt panel flat along the waist band, with the folded side seam of the waist band meeting the 3/8 inch (1cm) seam allowance of the

skirt panels.



17. Pin the panels to the waist band to secure it and top stitch over. Do not stitch over the folded seam of the waist band.



18. Following [this tutorial](#), sew the invisible zip from the top of the waist band

to the skirt panels.



19. When stitching the zip onto the invisible zip, make sure only the right side of the waist band is machine stitched on.



20. Pin together the remaining side seam of the skirt panels not yet attached. To create a smooth transition from the seam to the zip, sew the seam slightly above the end of the zip.



21. Stitch along that seam allowance and press open.



22. Press the seam allowance of the bottom seam towards its wrong side and top stitch over it.



23. Turn the skirt over and hand stitch the inside part of the waist band onto the zip.



24. Following [this tutorial](#), place the hook and eye at the opening of the waist

band, just slightly above where the start of the zip is and stitch it on.



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