

Button-Up Top Tutorial

Description





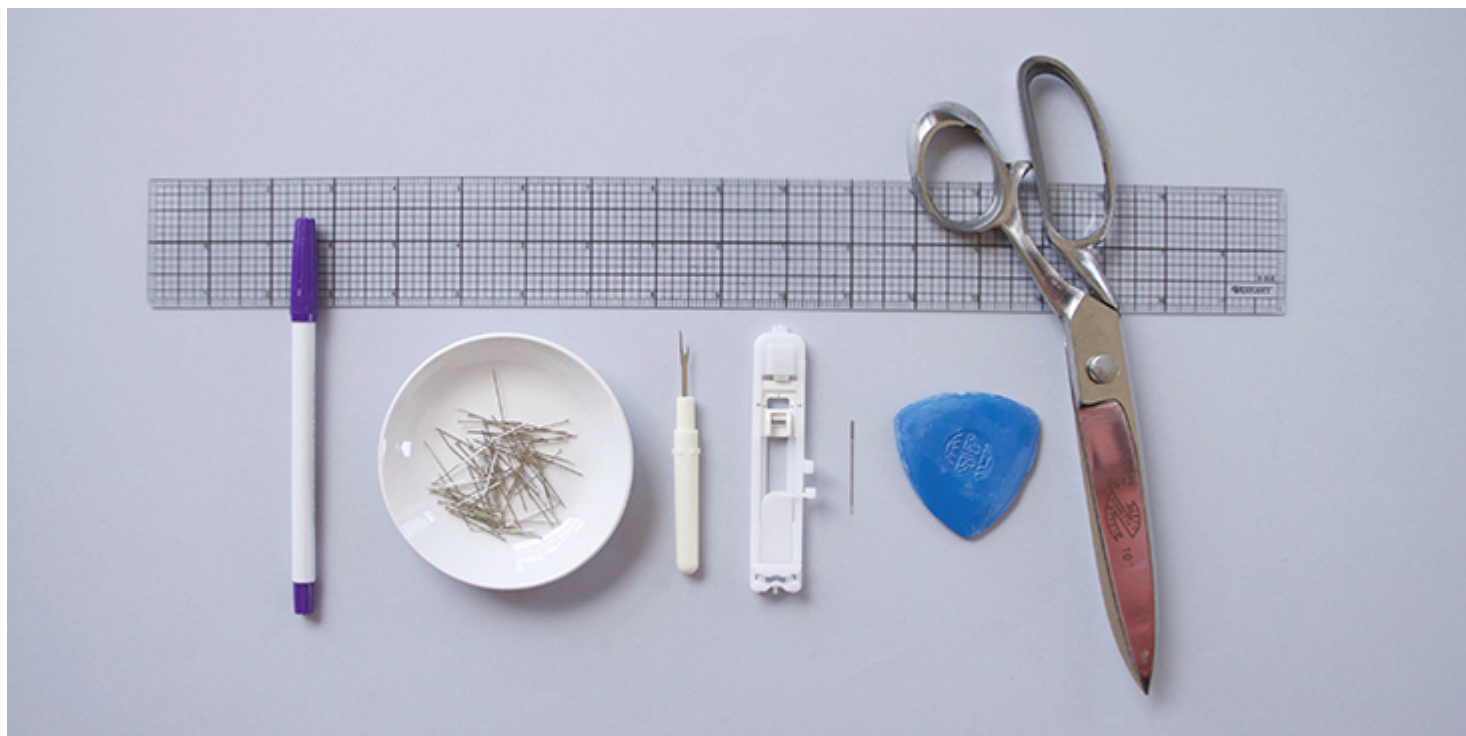
In this tutorial we are going to show you how to make a simple button-up top with contrasting buttons for a touch of originality and a V-neck for a fashionable twist. Don't be intimidated by all these buttons, they are actually very easy to sew and the pattern is so simple to follow that this project is suited even for a beginner.

Materials



1 yard of [IL019 KRISTA NATURAL Softened](#) medium weight linen,
Matching sewing thread, 7-8 small buttons

Tools



Pattern paper, scissors, fabric marker, pins, ruler, chalk, needle, buttonhole foot, seam ripper, sewing machine

Time

3-4 hours

Difficulty

Beginner – Intermediate

Pattern

Link to the pattern is [HERE](#). The diagram shows the pattern for US size 6 (UK size 10). Remember to add seam allowances as indicated in the pattern.

If you need help grading your pattern, please follow [this tutorial](#).

Steps

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

1. Iron the fabric so it is easier to work with.
2. No need to do anything special (like serging or zigzagging) to protect the edges from fraying. All the raw edges will be enclosed within French seams or rolled hems.
3. We are going to start by finishing shoulder and side seams with French seams. Pin your shoulder and side seams wrong sides together and sew French seams following this [tutorial](#).





Repeat the same steps for the side seams.



4. Hem the sleeve openings by folding twice the fabric to the wrong side. Pin.



5. Stitch the fold from the wrong side as close to the inner edge as possible. Remember to backstitch.



6. Press the seams.



7. Take one of your buttons and measure its diameter. This will determine the width of the rolled hem that you'll use to make the front button bands and finish the V-neckline. Basically, we are going to pin one big rolled hem around all panels (except for the bottom hem). So, fold twice the fabric to the wrong side and pin.



Refer to the pictures below for instructions on what to do when you come to the corners of the V-neck.





8. Stitch the fold from the wrong side as close to the inner edge as possible. Press.



9. Repeat the same steps for the bottom hem: fold twice the fabric to the

wrong side and pin. I'd recommend to use the same width of the hem as in steps #7 and #8 for a more harmonious look of the finished garment.



10. Stitch and press.



11. Following this [tutorial](#) make the buttonholes and attach the buttons. Mine are spaced 2" apart (5cm) but the number and the spacing are really up to you. If you want your buttons closer, just leave smaller gaps between them.



This is it, your button-up top is all done! Its boxy shape looks great on any body type and it's so easy to wear it casually or dress it up. We like to pair it with slim jeans. Feel free to adjust the pattern and make a round neckline for a more traditional look or make it shorter for a trendy crop top.

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