

Ana Crisp Linen Shirt Tutorial and Pattern

Description



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Dreaming of spring on these cold winter days? Why not bring a little vernal touch with Ana, our delicate blush pink linen shirt?

We love the way this minimalist shirt combines a feminine silhouette with design details like a mandarin collar and vintage ivory buttons while the cargo patch pockets on the front create a catchy counterbalance with a hint of military influence. Ana is a perfect wardrobe piece for a modern woman!

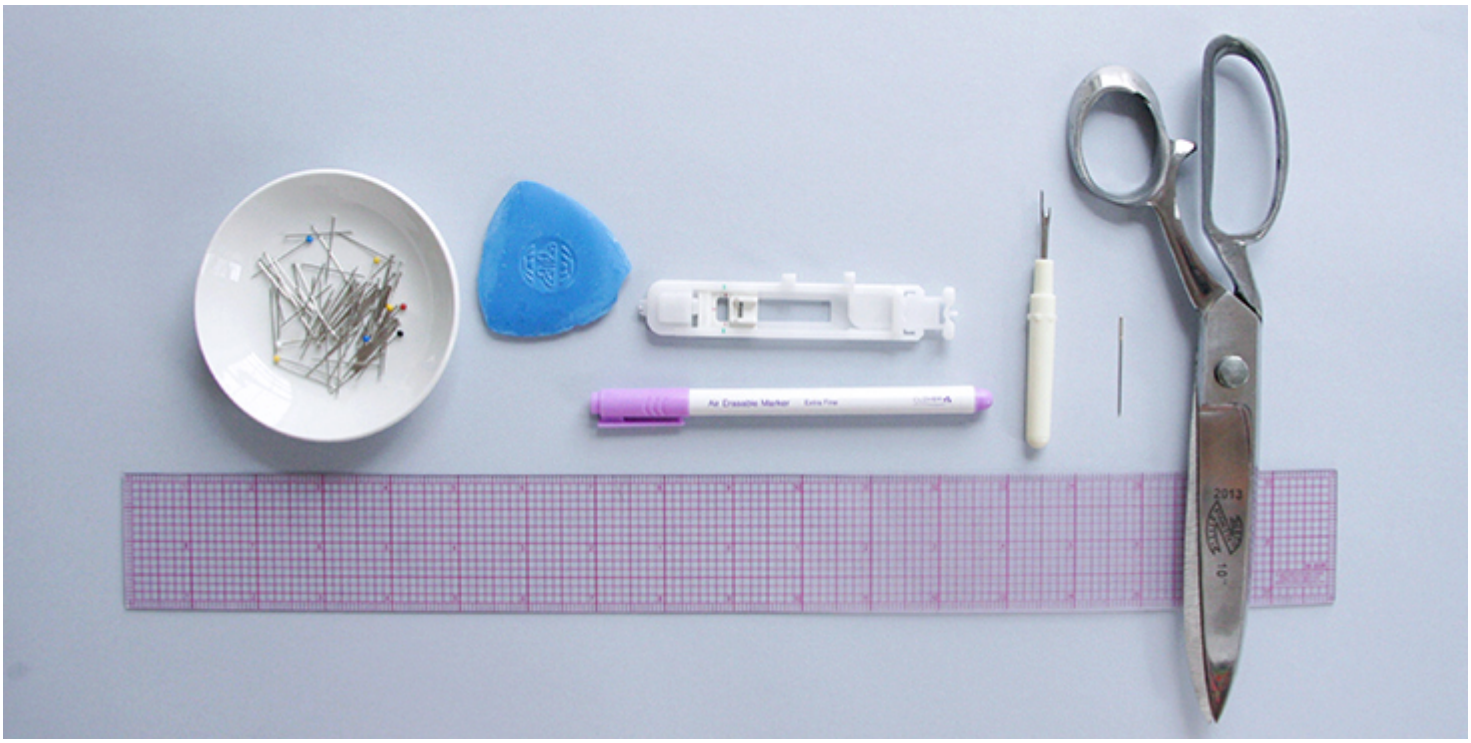
Materials



1.5 yards of IL042 894 â?? FS Premier Finish â?? 100% Medium Weight Linen

Matching sewing thread, 7-8 buttons, fusible interfacing (for the collar and the button bands)

Tools



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

Time

4-5 hours

Difficulty

Advanced Beginner

Pattern

You can access the multi-sized printable PDF blouse pattern by following this link HERE

For the mandarin collar, draw your own pattern following the instructions in THIS tutorial.

Steps

Note: Prewash your fabric and tumble dry it until it is still slightly moist, dry at room temperature. Iron the fabric so it is easier to work with.

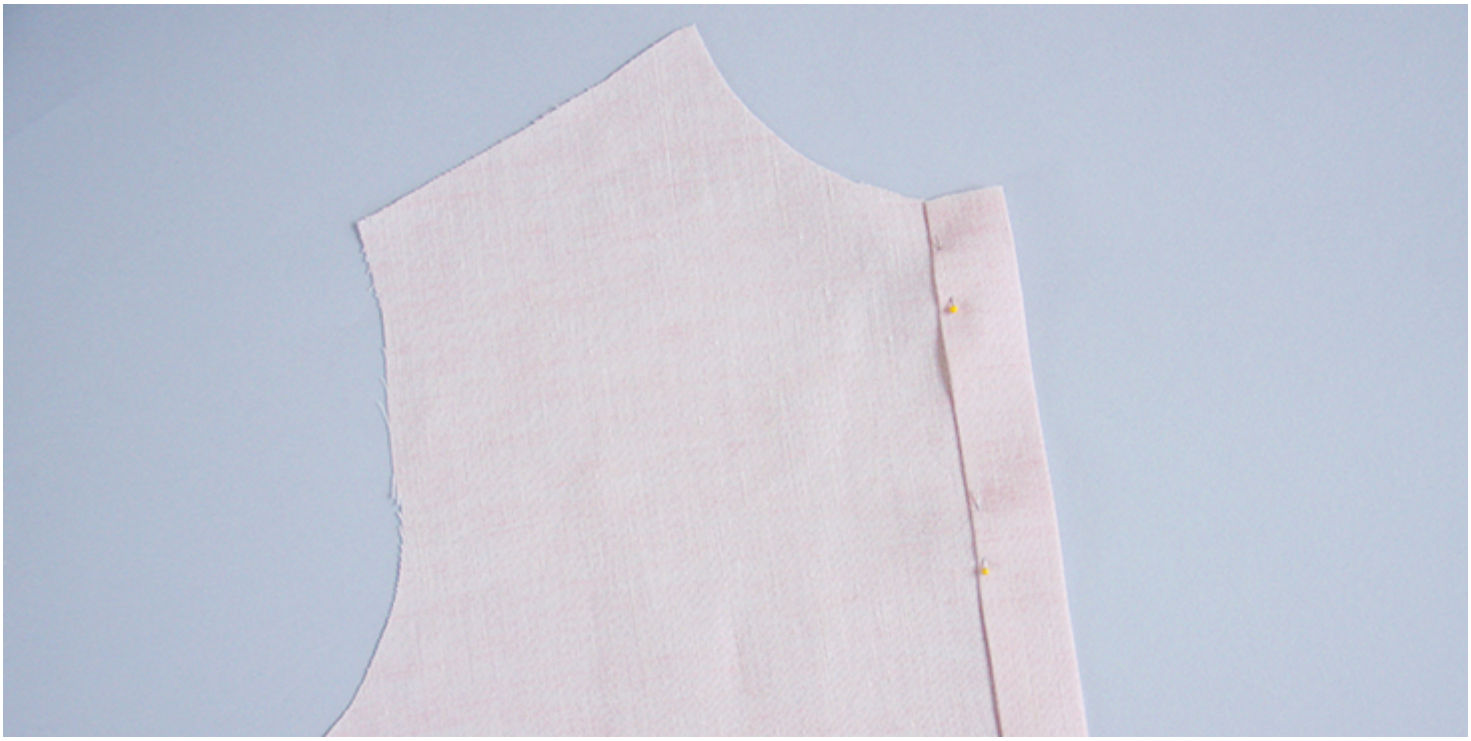
1. Letâ??s start with the button bands. First, youâ??ll need to apply the fusible interfacing to the wrong sides of your front pieces 3/8â?• (1 cm) from the raw edge.



2. Fold the non-interfaced 3/8â?• (1 cm) seam allowance to the wrong side and press.



3. Fold 1â?³ (2,5 cm) of fabric to the wrong side so all raw edges are concealed inside the button band. Press and pin.



4. Stitch as close to the folded edge as possible (remember to backstitch). Press the finished button bands to ensure the fabric sits flat.



Repeat with the other button band.

5. Itâ??s time to attach the cargo patch pockets to the front of your shirt. We have a great tutorial HERE that explains how to do it.

Place your pockets 2,25 â?• (5,5 cm) from the button band outer edge and 3,5â?³Â• (9 cm) from the bottom hem.



Topstitch in place:



6. Pin the front and the back of your shirt right sides together at the shoulders.



7. Sew the shoulder seams right sides together at 3/8â?³Â• (1 cm) seam allowance, remember to backstitch. Trim the seam allowance down to 1/4â?³ (6 mm) and serge or zigzag the raw edges together to prevent the fabric from fraying. Press the seams flat folding the serged/zigzagged edges towards the back of your shirt.



8. Attach the mandarin collar following our detailed tutorial HERE.



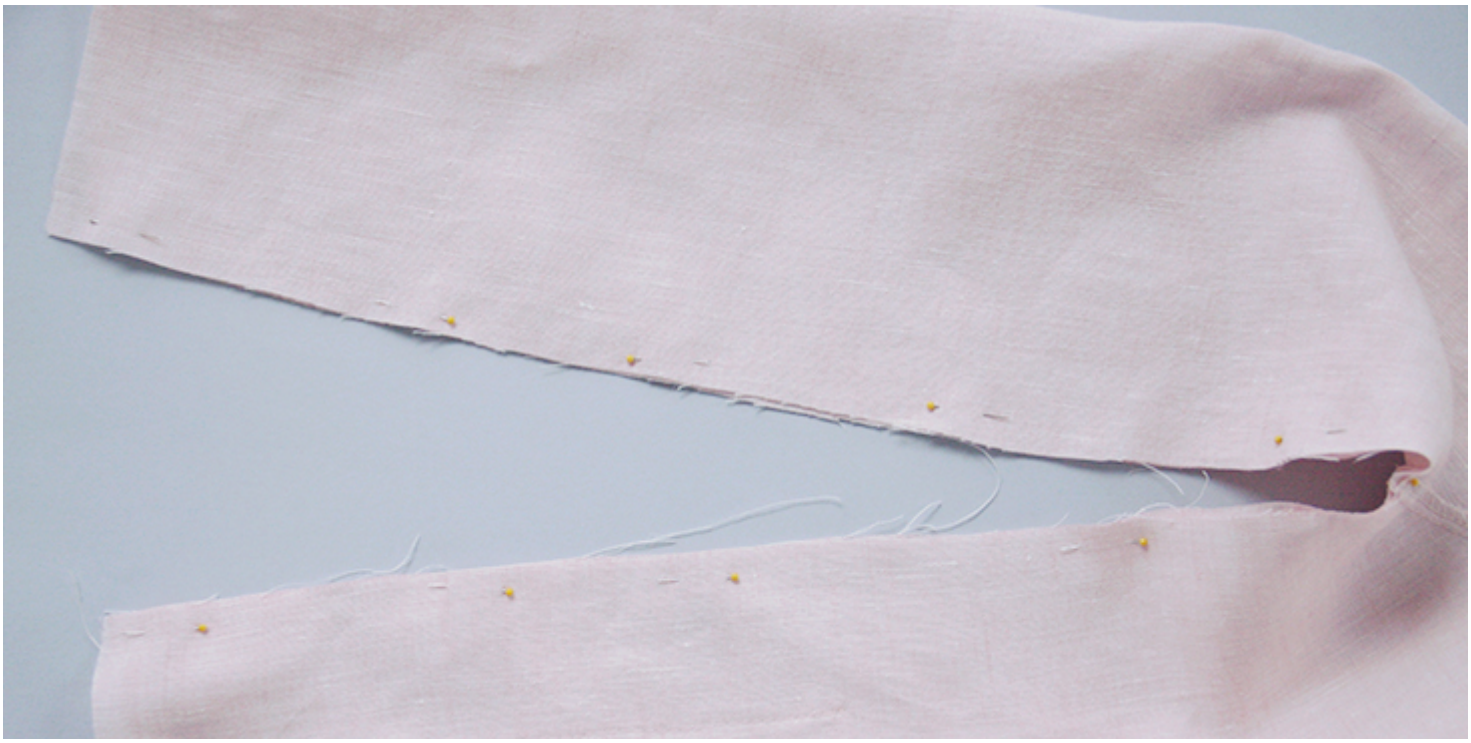
9. Pin the sleeves to the armholes right sides together.



10. Sew at a 3/8â?• (1 cm) seam allowance. Serge or zigzag the raw edges together to prevent the fabric from fraying. Press the serged/zigzagged seam allowances up towards the sleeves.



11. Pin the sleeves and the side seams right sides together.



12. Sew the pinned edges at a 3/8â?• (1 cm) seam allowance and finish the raw edges with a serger or a zigzag stitch.



Press the seams flat folding the serged/zigzagged edges towards the back of your shirt.



13. Finish the sleeve openings with a rolled hem. Fold the fabric twice towards the wrong side, 3/8â?³Â• (1 cm) to 1/2 inch (1,3 cm), press, pin and stitch.





14. Finish the bottom hem the same way you finished the sleeves: fold the fabric twice towards the wrong side, 3/8â?³Â• (1 cm) to 1/2 inch (1,3 cm), press and pin. Make sure the two button bands match. The best way to do so is to overlap and pin the two button bands together and then start folding the fabric from where they meet at the bottom.



15. Stitch as close to the folded edge as possible to finish the bottom hem.



16. Lastly, sew the buttonholes and attach the buttons.

For the buttonholes, you can follow our detailed tutorial HERE. As for the buttons, check our tutorial HERE for instructions.

The number and the spacing are really up to you. If you want your buttons closer, just leave smaller gaps between them. We decided to space our buttons 2,5â?³Â• (6 cm) apart. Overlap the shirt and place a pin into the center of each buttonhole. This is where youâ??ll need to attach the buttons.



Give your shirt a good press and you are all done!

Why not check out all the other colors we have and play around with all the possibilities you can find? Remember that you can always add a personal touch to this shirt by using a contrasting color for the patch pockets.

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