

Ana Sofia Pencil Skirt Pattern and Tutorial and Pattern

Description



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Just like timeless elegance comes in simple shapes, our Ana Sofia is the iconic pencil skirt with a fresh linen look. Feminine and timeless, it sits at the natural waist, has a practical knee-length and buttons at the front. It fits so well your body, hugging your curves and enhancing all your assets. Thatâ??s the power of a pencil skirt!

Ana Sofia has all our favorite details like a high waistline, tailored button bands, pockets and a back yoke. The reversible medium weight linen we chose for this project adds an interesting detail to this classic design and provides enough body and weight to hold the pencil silhouette.

This pencil skirt is something that you can easily build a casual and stylish outfit around and is a perfect project for all sewing levels.

Materials

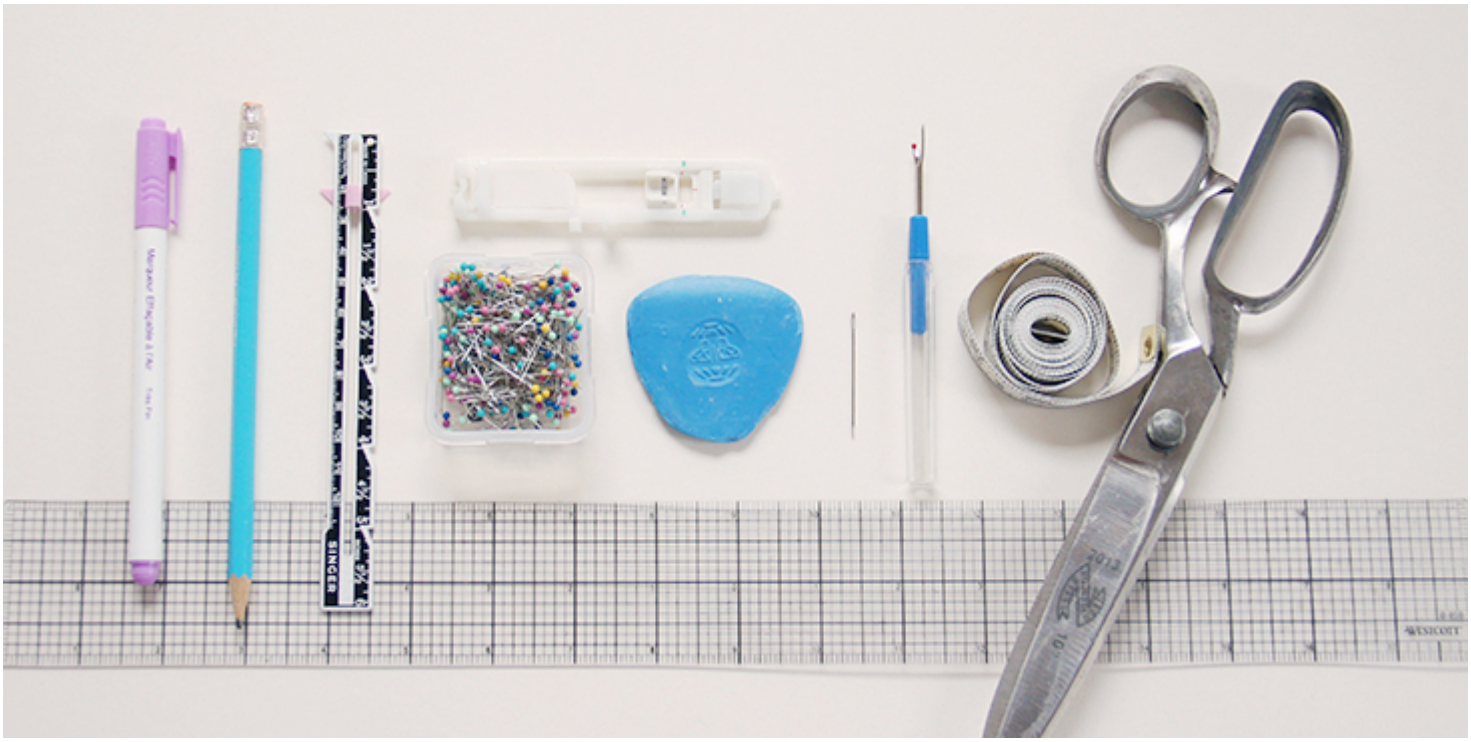


For our sample US size 6 pictured in this tutorial we used 2 yards of IL028 GOLDEN WHEAT-NAT Reversible Medium Weight Linen

For other sizes, please refer to the yardage table in the PDF pattern to determine the required amount of fabric.

Matching sewing thread, fusible interfacing, 6 medium buttons (5/8â?• to 3/4â?•)

Tools



Scissors, pins, ruler, chalk, measuring tape, fabric marker, buttonhole foot, seam ripper, needle, sewing machine

Difficulty

Advanced Beginner

Sewing Time

4-5 hours

Pattern

You can access the multi-sized printable PDF pattern by following this link HERE. All seam allowances are included. The model is wearing US size 6.

Remember to transfer all the notches onto your fabric.

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. To start, sew the front darts following the instructions in this detailed tutorial.

Press the darts towards the center front.





Next, letâ??s sew the front button bands. The fabric we are using for this project has enough weight and body to support buttonholes and buttons, so we decided not to interface it. However, if you are working with our regular all purpose linen, we strongly recommend interfacing the button bands to make

this area more sturdy.

2. Take the left front and fold the fabric twice to the wrong side along the center front edge, first 3/8â?• then another 1 Â¼â?• to form a button band. Press pin and edgestitch.



3. The right front has a separate, sew-on button band. Fold one long edge of your right band 3/8â?• to the wrong side and pin the other edge to the right front skirt so that the right side of the band touches the wrong side of your skirt.



4. Stitch in place along the 3/8â?• (1 cm) seam allowance. Trim the seam allowance down to 1/4â?• (6 mm) to reduce the bulk



5. Press the band and the seam allowance away from skirt.



6. Fold the button band over to the right sides and pin it to the skirt, making sure that the first fold of the fabric slightly covers the stitching line from attaching the button band. Press, pin and edgestitch. Topstitch the other

edge to match the one that youâ??ve just made.



Now letâ??s sew and attach the pockets.

7. Fold your pocket piece in half lengthwise wrong sides together and stitch along the bottom edge at a 3/8â?• (1 cm) seam allowance. Trim the seam allowance down to Â¼â?• and clip the corner.



8. Turn the fabric wrong side out. Press and stitch again 3/8â?• from the bottom edge to enclose the raw edge.



9. Pin the curved edge of the pocket to the curved edge of the front skirt right side together and stitch at a 3/8â?• seam allowance. Remember to backstitch

at both ends. Trim the seam allowance down to 3/16â?• and make a few snips to release the tension.



10. Fold the pocket towards the inside, press along the curved and topstitch Â¼â?• from the edge.

11. Pin the side seams of the pocket to the side seam of your front skirt and baste in place (Â¼â?• from the raw edge). Match the pocket notches at the waist and baste to keep the pocket in place.



Repeat steps 7-11 to attach the other pocket.

Time to assemble the back.

12. Pin left back yoke to left back skirt right sides together and stitch at a 3/8â?• (1 cm) seam allowance. Finish the seam with your preferred method to prevent the fabric from fraying. You can either serge or zigzag stitch the two raw edges together.



13. Press the finished seam allowance towards yoke and topstitch Â¼â?• from the seamline to add some interesting detail to your skirt.



14. Repeat steps 12 & 13 to assemble the right back skirt.

15. Pin the two back skirt pieces right sides together matching the yoke seam and stitch together at a 3/8â?• seam allowance. Finish the seam, press to the left and topstitch Â¼â?• from the seamline.



16. Pin the two fronts to the back right sides together at the side seams (catching the pockets between the two layers) and stitch at a 3/8â?• seam allowance.



17. Press the seam allowances towards the back and topstitch Â¼â?• from the seamline.



Time to attach the waistband.

18. Interface one side of your waistband. Apply fusible interfacing to the wrong side and if you want to reduce bulk, you can cut off the seam allowances on your interfacing. Press the seam allowance at the other waistband half (non-interfaced) 3/8â?• under.



19. Fold the waistband in half lengthwise and stitch the short ends. Trim the seam allowance and clip the corner.



20. Pin the interfaced half of waistband to your skirt right sides together and stitch with a 3/8â?• seam allowance.







21. Trim the seam to 1/4â?• and press waistband up.

22. Pin the pressed edge to the wrong side of your skirt, covering the seam line.



Working from right side, topstitch along pinned edge in crease of your seamline, catching the underside of waistband.



23. Finish the hem by folding the raw edge twice to the wrong side: first 3/8â?•, then another 1,5â?•. Press, pin and stitch.





24. Lastly, sew the buttonholes on the right front and attach the buttons to the left front.

For the buttonholes, you can follow our detailed tutorial HERE. As for the buttons, check our tutorial HERE for instructions. Overlap the button bands and place a pin into the center of each buttonhole. This is where youâ??ll need to attach the button.



25. Give your finished skirt one last press and you are all done!

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