



DIARY OF A NOVICE SEWIST: Sewing Pants

Description



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Those of you that have already read my first entry 'Diary of a novice Sewist', will maybe remember, that PANTS were quite the challenge for me. For weeks...

When I started making my own clothes in February, I predominantly found patterns through Instagram. It didn't take long for my paths to cross with the [Persephone Pants by Anna Allen](#). Following the hashtag trail, I found a huge variety of these pants and I can tell you – there is a reason they are named Persephone! Everybody looks so HOT in these pants. There wasn't a single photo where I wasn't wowed! All these gorgeous booties – everywhere! High waist, wide leg – I AM READY! Well... or so I thought... Not THAT ready as it turned out.



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The first challenge was buying the pattern. Don't ask me why, but I was so scared of sewing pants that it took me weeks (WEEKS) to buy the pattern. After buying it, it took me a further few weeks before finally starting... And guess what – it wasn't that hard! I actually really enjoyed sewing them! Maybe I sewed the legs with one right side and one wrong side out together, maybe I ironed the interfacing with the sticky side up... but honestly – who cares?! Nothing a little seam ripper or cleaning up can't fix. And if you read the instructions carefully – I'm 100% sure you can do it too. All steps are clear and very well illustrated. I personally ended up sewing 4 of them by now!



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But – because not everybody likes to jump into cold water and sew button fly's – there are a lot of cute pants out there with alternatives to buttons or also zippers. For example, for my pants here, I used the FS [LOIS Pants](#) pattern. It's easy, fast and easy to hack and it's free! The looser fit and paperbag waist makes it very easy to make and succeed!



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As pants with elastics sometimes give me pyjama feelings, I wanted to do something different without losing the comfort factor. So I shortened the paperbag waist (as I didn't need the fabric to flip down) and added a tunnel for my cord. And I love it! I can tuck in a big knitted sweater, eat too much or just live my best life.

I hope you like what I made – can't wait to hear about your stories!

Bussi,

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