



DIARY OF A NOVICE SEWIST: Wattlebird Dress

Description



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I AM BACK!

I know I know, it took some time for me to get back behind the sewing machine. A lot has been changing too fast and too slow at the same time – and the combination of those things made me very stressed.

So I started [knitting again](#) which helped me a lot in coping with the situation. And a few sweaters, hats and slippers later, spring finally arrived in Vienna. And with the first rays of sunlight I felt this tickling feeling in my fingers again. And all of a sudden I had thousands of ideas and started working on moodboards again. Jackets, patchwork, simple dresses, kids wear, bucket hats, ...

I wanted to make a slipover dress that I could wear over a t-shirt in the summer or with a sweater in spring. Super simple, a light color, nothing too fancy. Just an easy-going comfort dress. And so the search for the perfect pattern began.



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To be honest – it took some time for me to realise that I already had the perfect pattern in my collection. The [Wattlebird Dress by Common Stitches](#) is a really easy dress – no big darts or crazy closing techniques – just a nice everyday dress. I made my first Wattlebird Dress back when I started sewing my own clothes 1,5 years ago, so I thought “why not start the dress season again – with the same dress from the first time?”. So here I am – same dress, different person!

Ok – pattern: check.

Next: THE COLOR



FS LILAC SILVER Lightweight Softened 100% Linen

I don't know which ones of you have read my other entries, but in one of my first blog entries I confessed my love for the color [ultramarine](#) (which I still love by the way – and I promise you, we will see the return of ultramarine soon), but nowadays my heart beats for lilac. Sweater for my son? Lilac.

Tulips? Lilac. Those 90s/00s mum hair clips my son calls BeiÃBeiÃ (engl. BiteBite) because they look like teeth? Lilac. I just love it – everything looks better in lilac! Itâs the perfect balance between cold blue and warm red in a light and soft version. And you know whatâs cold and warm aswell? Right – SPRING!

The only thing I would change next time – I used one of the [lightweight fabrics \(in SILVER LILAC\)](#) but would recommend one of the [Midweights \(for example Iris\)](#) more, as my dress is a bit transparent. I donât really have a problem with that, but not everyone is comfortable with wearing a see-through dress.



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So enjoy spring with its sun and new flowers and soak up all the fresh new energy!

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PS: I love sewing kids wear – would you be interested in some kids wear pattern recommendations?

PPS: Behind the (analog) camera – the one and only Sophie Nawratil!

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