



PATTERN REVIEW: Nico Dress In Midweight Linen

Description



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I have one big big big problem with clothes: every time I see something in the store or online I like I think ‘Definitely not gonna buy that – I can do that myself’ – in reality- I rarely do so. So when I started packing for my short trip to Croatia I found myself with thousands of never-realized-projects and nothing to wear. And with ‘nothing to wear’ I mean clothes to walk on the beach in for example, not dressy going out gear but garms you love to wear because they make you feel relaxed. Something that smells like sunscreen and saltwater, even after you washed it ten times. THESE are my kind of holiday clothes. Which I quickly realised I didnât have.



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So when I got asked if I would like to write a review of the [Nico dress](#) I was all in. To be honest, it was such an easy and fast make – I loved it. Everything is so well explained and illustrated – all you need is some fabric, thread, needles, your sewing machine and – I have to confess – some bias tape – because Iâm the laziest of the lazy. And Iâm not sorry at all!

I think the only challenging part is the one where you hide the raw edges by double folding them or folding one over the other to be more specific. You could probably also finish the edges by using your overlock, but to be honest – the folded edges give this simple and clean dress a very neat and professional finish. Also donât we all need a little fun-challenge from time to time? (I definitely do.)

But – two things I want to say about the pattern – first, really check your size, as it has quite a loose fit and I (for myself) would size down next time. Secondly – one more reason why to consider bias tape – when I first cut the binding for the armholes and neckline – I cut too short- what I would recommend is to finish your dress and in the last steps cut the bias tape according to your finished garment and sew it on. That should be a safe way without wasting any material.



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For the fabric, I wanted something really light and bright. Bright so the color doesnât soak up too much heat and light – who am I kidding – with me there is always a bit of a sunburn involved on the beach. And sunburn and heavy clothes is a big no no for me (- the only alternative is to be naked in a dark

room marinating in AfterSun lotion or Aloe Vera). So I went with the midweight linen in WILLOW – which is a soft and light minty green.

And – as the [Nico Dress](#) is such a fast make – I even finished it in time to take it with me to Croatia – and it did a great job.



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Donât forget your sunscreen and enjoy your loose dresses!

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