



Pattern Review: Classic Pants with a Vintage Twist in Earthy Linen, Thoughts?

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FS Ami pants made with FS Potting Soil Heavyweight Linen

Okay, so there is a little background on choosing Ami. I look for vintage elements in contemporary patterns, something that I have started doing more of, influenced by my love of vintage clothing. I look for vintage clothing when I thrift. The adventure that comes with thrifting can be such a rush. It is one of the things that I do in between meetings when I am out of town for work. I drive a lot and its great to get up and walk around. Recently I found is great tropical set. It's this lovely tropical vest and pants, you can see it here in all its glory. The pants have elastic only on the sides sans zippers. I have been looking for patterns that have similar elastic waistbands.

Whilst browsing <u>FS patterns</u>, I noticed that the Ami trouser pattern had elastic channels on the sides of the waistband. I knew then that I had to try this out.



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As anyone who follows my sewing journey knows, I love making pants and have been working on branching out. I can get stuck in a rut to make the same pant again and again. So, I was looking for a pattern that was going to be a little different than what I normally go for. The paper bag waist is a fun detail with the elastic channels which coincidentally also ticked the box of a vintage element

The suggested fabric weight is heavy weight linen, <u>4C22</u>. There are plenty of lovely choices, color wise. I chose to go with <u>Potting Soil</u> and when I got the fabric, the color was even better in person. I have a pair of deadstock wool pants in a similar shade of brown and they were a workhorse in my cold weather closet.







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I have come to really love the attention to detail in Fabrics-Store pattern booklets. The size charts are dependable, and I feel good about picking the right size using body measurements and the finished garment measurements. Like all my other pants, I have graded between sizes, smaller in the waist, keeping the rise of the size in the hips. The next time I might adjust the rise a little bit. I did wait until I finished the rest of the pants to hem them. They were long on me. I believe I took about 4 inches off the bottom.

At first, the construction might seem a little overwhelming. I know that I was a little intimidated by the construction details. I typically read through the instructions and then dive right in. The waistband looked confusing. So, I decided to just start sewing and deal with obstacles as they arose. Once I was in the swing of sewing, the waistband construction turned out to be a thing of beauty. I loved the finished look and can't wait to make that pattern again.

What color would you make the Ami pants in?

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