



Mykonos: The Must Have Summer Pant Pattern?

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FS Mykonos pants made with FS Natural Heavyweight Linen

Summer pants, the ever-elusive search. When asked to make a pattern for the thread from the FS pattern catalog, I wanted to highlight a pattern which I havenât come across much. I love a good linen pant especially one that would work for both work meetings and a night out with the girls. Mykonos is a pattern collection that takes inspiration from menswear, the pants have a drawstring at the waist, zipper fly, back welt pockets and straight leg.

A classic shape with some fresh detailing. Slash pockets and the welt pockets on the back are a great design feature. The drawstring option is great for natural body fluctuations. I did know that if I was to make them, they would look a little different on me just because of the pattern adjustments that I would need to make. I chose to make the pattern out of the rustic 7oz weight linen per the suggested fabric.



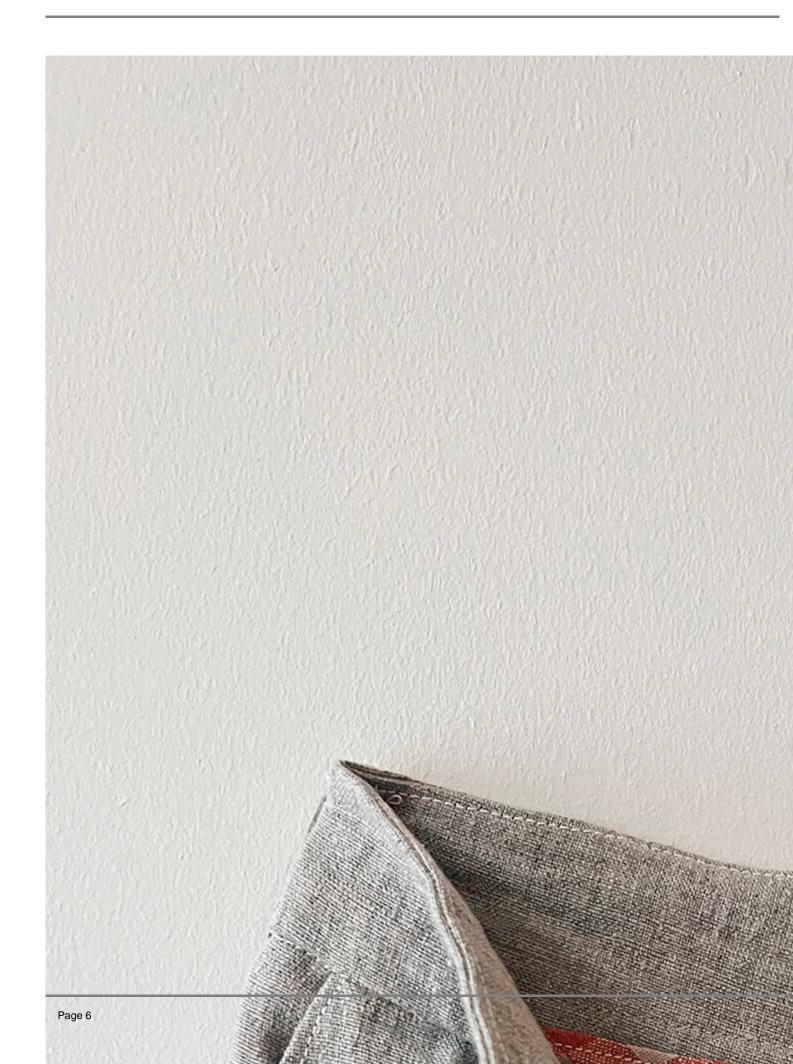


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Instructions can make or break a pattern in my opinion. I like to use patterns because it eliminates a certain amount of work and thought process on my end. The amount of detail Fabrics-Store has put into their instructions is great. They come in a little booklet that is easy to navigate.

Now for fitting the pants. We all have our own journeys with this. Typically, I grade between sizes for my waist and hips, and add a full seat adjustment when itâs a straight leg style. I started with the 10-16 pattern range, then, graded to a 10 in the waist and 14 in the hips. I kept the length of 16 in the rise. Most of the time, I must adjust the rise for my pants as when I chose these, I noticed that the rise and intended design was a little lower than I normally prefer. I sent several panicked texts to my boyfriend worried that as I was working on it the fit wouldnât be right (you know the mid-sewing spiral that you ruined everything). Overall, the fitting ended up great with a few tweaks. Next time, I will do a true full seat adjustment. I had enough wiggle room with the seam allowance that I was able to make mid-swing adjustments.



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The longer I sew, the more I have started to pay attention to the type of finishing that is inside the garment. I really love it when instructions give a professional finish. The bias tape finishing on the waistband is my preferred method so I might be a bit biased. *winks* It also allows the sewist to add a fun accent of color. I chose to use a lighter weight linen for the top of the front pocket and the back pockets to reduce bulk. I was having issues with the welt pockets pulling and revealing the fun vintage fabric I used so I chose to whipstitch the welts closed.

The finished pants ended up rather long on me. I cut off about two inches and kept the same hemming instructions. I am still not sold on the length on me. The next time you see them they might be a little shorter. A cropped leg is so chic on a summer pant. It goes perfect with a summer sandal.

To finish, I am super pleased with my Mykonos pants. Light-colored linen pants are a warm weather staple for me, and I canât wait to style them more with summer knits and little tops. Cheers babes!

[Editor's note: Follow links for detailed step by step tutorials if you need help sewing the Mykonos Zipper Fly, Welt Pockets or Waistband.]

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