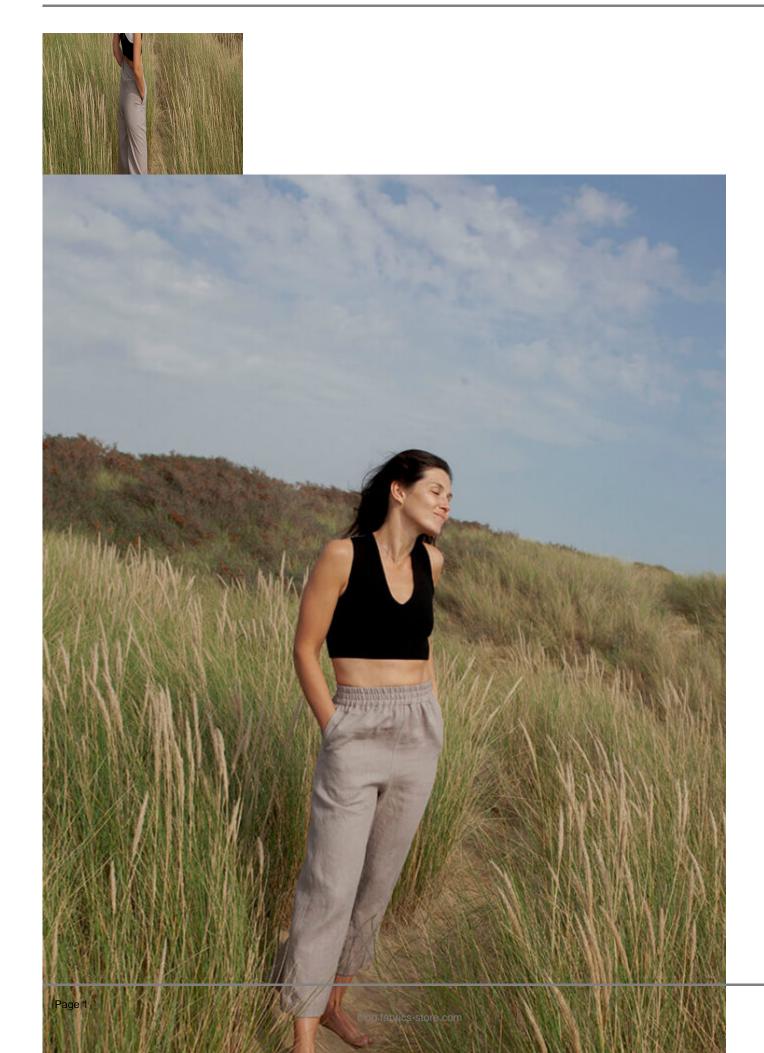
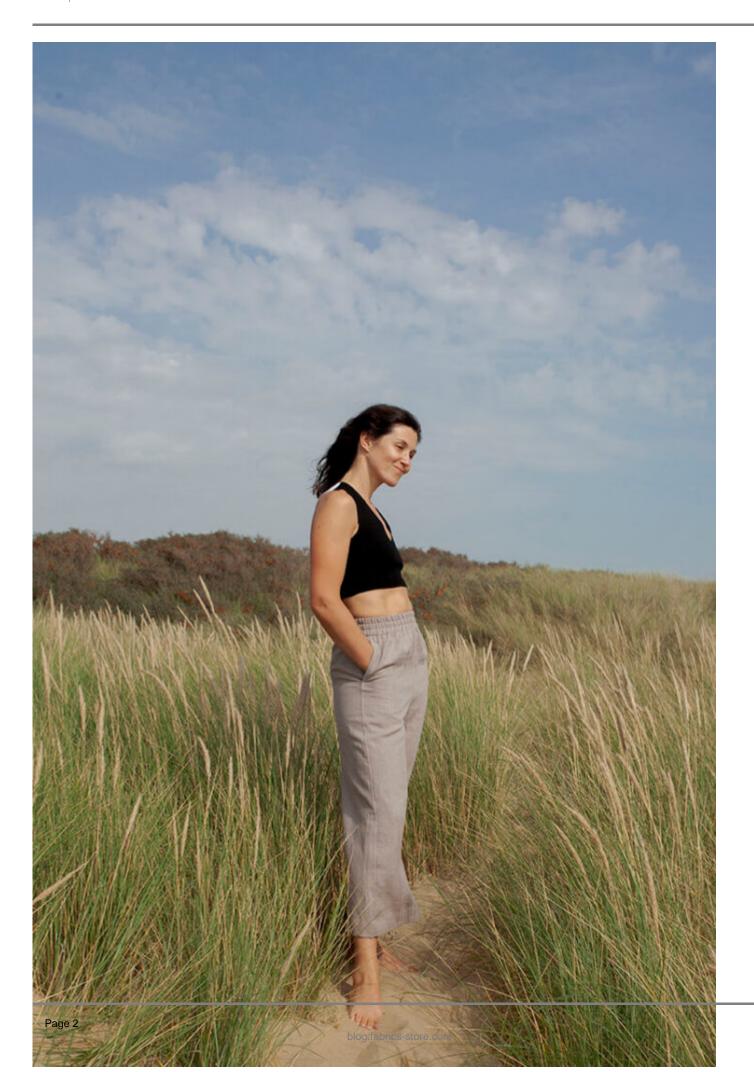
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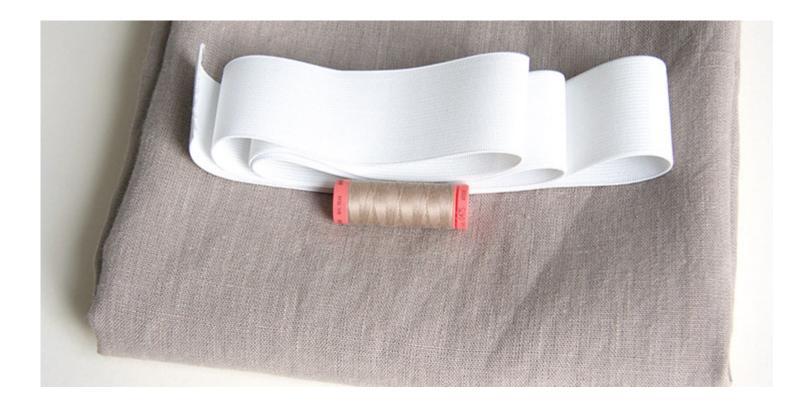


As advertised by nearly every minimalist-chic clothing brand, culottes are making a major comeback and becoming an indispensable wardrobe item. But there is one style the fashion world is most crazy about – the high-waisted, wide-leg culottes. Charged with the ability to skim over curvy hips and elongate the silhouette, the wide-leg culottes are as comfortable as they are versatile.

If you are interested in trying out this cool style without paying the store price tag, then our Cass Culottes sewing pattern is for you! With its high rise, wide legs, hidden inseam pockets, and elastic waistband, it is probably the most comfortable pair of culottes you'll ever own.

Follow this easy tutorial and sew your own pair of custom made culottes that look great on you!

Materials

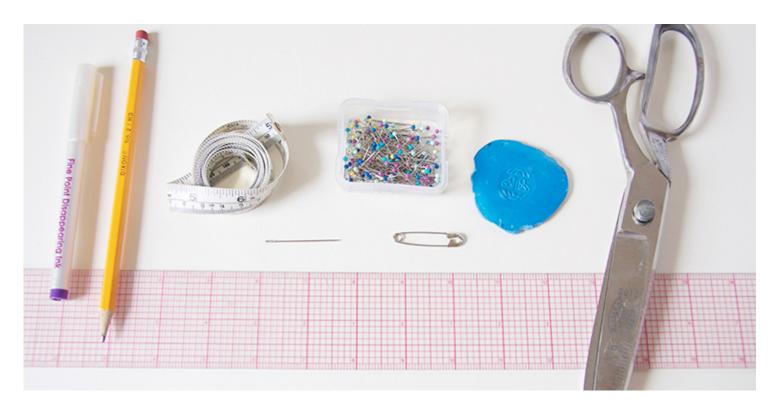


For our sample size XS pictured in this tutorial we used 2 yards of <u>4C22</u> NARURAL Softened Heavy Weight Linen

For other sizes, please refer to the yardage table in the PDF pattern to determine the required amount of fabric.

Matching sewing thread, 1 7/8" to 2"-wide elastic.

Tools



Scissors, pins, ruler, chalk, measuring tape, seam ripper, safety pin, sewing machine

Difficulty

Beginner

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Sewing Time

3-4 hours

Pattern

You can access the multi-sized printable PDF pattern by following this link <u>HERE</u>. All seam allowances are included and are 3/8" unless otherwise specified. The model is wearing size XS.

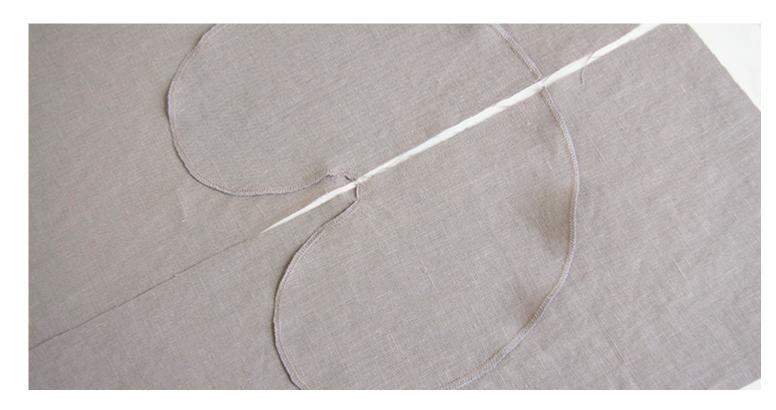
Remember to transfer all the notches onto your fabric.

Steps

Note: Prewash your fabric and tumble dry it until it is still slightly moist, dry at room temperature. Iron the fabric so it is easier to work with.

1. The very first thing to do is to attach the inseam pockets. Follow this step-by-step tutorial and attach your pockets. Prepare your pockets by serging along the outer curve. Match the top and bottom edge of each pocket to the pocket notches in the pattern and sew right sides together at a 3/8" seam.

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2. Complete the rest of the steps in the tutorial to assemble your pockets and side seams.



3. Press the pockets and the seam allowances towards the front leg. Turn

the garment right side facing up and sew a 1/4 topstitch along the front side of the pocket opening. Then topstitch 1/4 along the remaining edges of the outseam, from waist to pocket opening and from opening to hem. This will secure the seam allowances to the front leg and add decorative detail.



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4. Reinforce the pocket openings with two bartacks.



5. Pin each pant front to the corresponding pant back at the inseam right sides together and sew at a 3/8" (1 cm) seam allowance. Serge or zigzag the

raw edges together to prevent the fabric from fraying.



6. Press the seams flat folding the serged/zigzagged edges towards the back of the culottes. Topstitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the seamline.



7. Turn the right leg right side out and slip it into the left leg, right side to right side.



8. Pin the crotch seams together matching the side seams and inseams.





9. Sew along the crotch seam at a 3/8" (1 cm) seam allowance. Serge or zigzag the raw edges together and press the seam allowances towards the left leg.



10. Topstitch 1/4" from the seamline along the front and back rise.



11. To create the casing for the elastic, fold the raw edge 3/8" to the wrong side and press. Then press another 2 1/8" and pin in place.



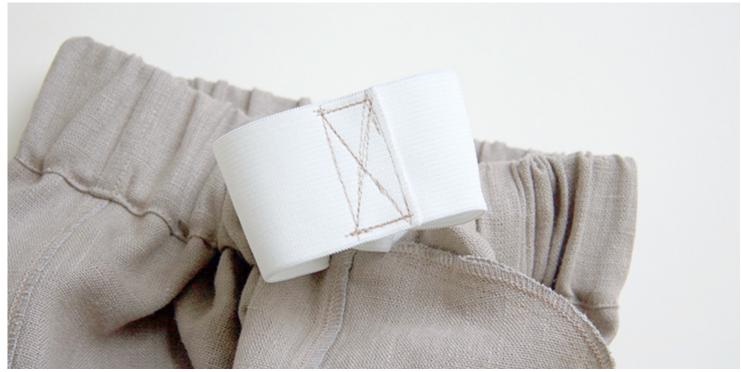
12. Stitch around the lower edge of the casing, 1/16" from the edge, leaving a small (about 2" wide) opening at the side seam for the elastic to be inserted. Remember to backstitch at both ends.



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13. Using your safety pin, insert the elastic (cut to a comfortable length plus 1" seam allowance), stitch the elastic ends together and close the opening.





14. Sew the opening closed with the same seam allowance used before.

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Make sure not to sew into the elastic itself!



- 15. Pull gently on the waistband fabric so that the joined elastic ends slip inside the casing. Distribute the gathers evenly.
- 16. To create the tiered effect, divide the casing into three equal parts and run two lines of topstitching stretching the elastic as you go.



17. Lastly, hem the legs by folding the fabric twice to the wrong side. First, fold 1/2, then another 1 1/2, press and pin in place.



18. Edgestitch 1/16" from the folded edge.



Congratulations! You have successfully completed your pair of culottes!

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