

PATTERN REVIEW: FS HANA Wrap Dress In Midweight Linen

Description



I love wrap dresses, and I was drawn to the <u>HANA Dress</u> because of its casual elegance and sophistication. This style of dress also tends to be flattering on my hourglass figure. The dress is elevated with waist belt details, a 3/4 Dolman sleeve and a unique wrap design. There are 4 views- a long dress with long sleeves (which is the one I chose to make), a short dress with short sleeves, a top and a skirt. Even though these are the recommended options, you could, of course, make it in any way that you want; for example a dress with short sleeves and a long skirt, or the other way around! It is incredibly versatile!



The pattern comes in a sturdy cardboard tube, which contains the pattern printed on a large sheet of paper, a beautifully printed instruction booklet, as well as a useful pattern hook. I decided to trace my size instead of cutting the pattern, so that I have options to make it in another size in the future. I can conveniently store the pattern sheet in the tube it came in, and use the pattern hook to hang up the traced pattern that I made.

The instruction booklet for the <u>HANA Dress</u> is very detailed and thorough, with illustrations to accompany the instructions, and beautiful photographs to show the different versions that can be made from this pattern. In my opinion this pattern is ideally suited for an intermediate seamstress- primarily due to the sheer detail required to construct the garment.



I think this pattern can be tricky for a beginner who may be unfamiliar with some of the techniques outlined in the book, but if you're like me, and you like to jump into the deep end, I encourage you to read through the instructions more than once, and make a full mock-up before using your final fabric. It took me longer than usual to make this pattern, because I usually choose very simple patterns, or make my own patterns. The time spent on these details is absolutely worth the results!

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The dress is extremely comfortable, and is a beautiful piece to add to your wardrobe. This dress fills a gap in my minimalist wardrobe, and every time I wear it I dream of a luxurious holiday lounging beside a pool, a stroll on the beach or an extravagant garden party.

The fabric was such a dream to work with. It is the <u>medium weight linen,</u> <u>Tadelakt</u>, a soft, milk or off-white colour, with a hint of yellow. It is a colour that I've never seen before, and is simple and clean enough to display the details of the dress perfectly, but also interesting enough to add character.

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