

A Beginner's Guide to Sewing with Knitted Fabrics

Everything you need to know to make 20 essential garments WENDY WARD

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Description

Wendy's style is functional but beautifully simplistic; you will learn the skills to make garments out of knitted fabrics that drape effortlessly and are a joy to wear. There are t-shirts, wide-leg trousers, lounge pants, tank tops, cardigans, skirts and dresses made in versatile fabrics that can be dressed up or down.

Both beginners and more experienced dressmakers often avoid using knitted fabrics, but Wendy will show you how to successfully sew them with just a regular sewing machine. You will learn essential skills with the help of a comprehensive techniques section that includes a guide to different types of knitted fabrics and their uses (including jersey, sweatshirt fabric, boiled wool and many more), how to prepare them for making clothes, setting up your sewing machine, which needles you need, sewing seams and hems, and using elastic.

Key Selling Points

- Includes full-size patterns in a wide range of sizes, from UK 8 to UK 26
- Learn all you need to know to start sewing clothing using knitted fabrics on your regular sewing machine
- Progress from simple tank tops that are quick to make to a dress with a draped skirt that is perfect for special occasions

About The Author

Wendy Ward has worked as a designer in the fashion industry since 2000, for a range of companies from niche retailers to large chain stores. In 2007 Wendy started teaching dressmaking, pattern cutting and textiles for adults. She has a degree in Fashion Design, an MA in Design and is a fully qualified teacher. In 2012 Wendy opened MIY Workshop in Brighton, UK and launched her own range of sewing patterns called MIY Collection. Wendy is a regular contributor to Love Sewing magazine and her previous books are *A Beginner's Guide to Making Skirts* and *The Beginner's Guide to Dressmaking*.

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