

# FROM THE FOUNDER OF THE #VIKISEWS BRAND

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Back in 2016, when I was working on my first set of sewing instructions, I was trying to write them in such a way that even a complete beginner could easily understand and use them to create their very first garment. These instructions laid the foundation for the Vikisews brand, its vision and its mission. I wanted to create modern patterns with the utmost detailed and clear instructions.

Now, with each new collection we are constantly improving our instructions, amending them and adding more relevant details. By the time the final product reaches you, our drafters, correctors, and editors would have spent weeks perfecting every word and every photograph. If you compile a few of our instructions together, you will get a sewing manual that will assist you in sewing all kinds of garments at any difficulty level.

And I would be very happy if these instructions helped you to turn your hobby into a lifelong passion... Enjoy the process! Create your ultimate dream wardrobe! Wear your garments proudly for years to come!

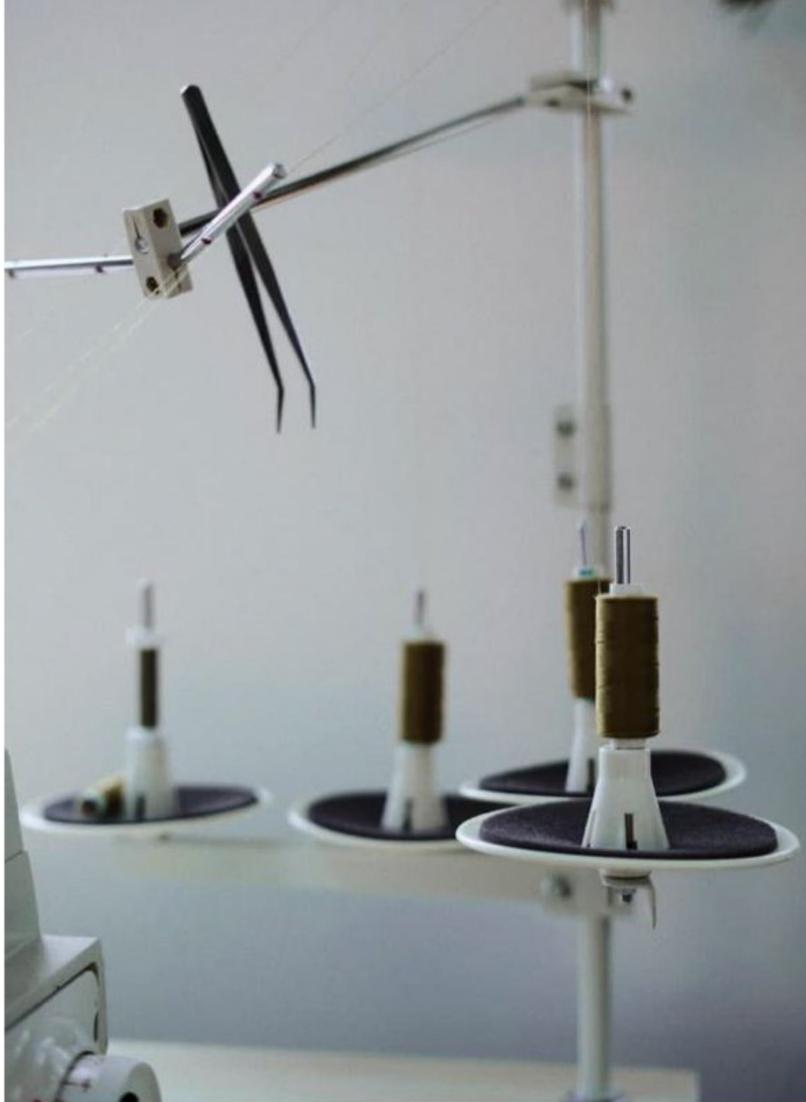
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## DOLORES PATTERN DESCRIPTION

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Dolores is a straight-cut, semi-fitted, fully lined trench coat that slightly flares toward the bottom. The bust darts have been transferred to the neckline. The trench coat has welt pockets at the front, a center seam and vent at the back, and an extended shoulder line. The long, semi-fitted two-piece set-in sleeves have detachable sleeve tabs at the bottom. The shoulder seams feature epaulets. The sleeve tabs and epaulets are secured with loops and fasten with a single button each. The trench coat has a classic turn-down collar with a collar stand. There are belt loops at the side seams. The buckle belt is detachable. Dolores has a center front closure with buttons and buttonholes and is above-ankle length.



## IMPORTANT!

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# TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

|        | Bust ease | Waistline ease | Hipline ease | Upper arm ease |
|--------|-----------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| cm     | 41–41.1   | 63.6–63.7      | 42.6–42.7    | 13.5–13        |
| inches | 16 1/8    | 25–25 1/8      | 16 3/4       | 5 3/8–5 1/8    |

# GARMENT LENGTH, SLEEVE LENGTH

| Height, cm  | Garment length at center back, cm | Sleeve length including shoulder width, cm |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1 (154–160) | 123.4–124.6                       | 75.9–76                                    |
| 2 (162–168) | 126.8–128.5                       | 77.8–78.1                                  |
| 3 (170–176) | 130.8–132.6                       | 79.8–80.1                                  |
| 4 (178–184) | 134.8–136.6                       | 81.8–82.1                                  |

| Height, ft     | Garment length at center back, in | Sleeve length including shoulder width, in |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1 (5'1"–5'3")  | 48 5/8–49                         | 29 7/8                                     |
| 2 (5'4"–5'6")  | 49 7/8–50 5/8                     | 30 5/8–30 3/4                              |
| 3 (5'7"–5'9")  | 51 1/2–52 1/4                     | 31 3/8–31 1/2                              |
| 4 (5'10"–6'1") | 53 1/8–53 3/4                     | 32 1/4–32 3/8                              |

# SUGGESTED FABRIC

To sew this trench coat, choose suiting fabrics with the following properties:

- medium-weight, structured, non-stretch or low-stretch
- the fiber content can include natural fibers (cotton), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (cotton + polyester, etc.), and synthetics (polyester)
- the following fabrics are recommended: cotton gabardine, denim, faux leather.

**Attention!** We do not recommend soft, lightweight (outerwear) fabrics.

For the lining, choose lining fabrics made of artificial fibers (viscose), blends (viscose + elastane, viscose + polyester, etc.), and synthetics (polyester, polyester + elastane).

The trench coat in the photo is made of gabardine. This fabric is medium-weight, structured, and low-stretch.

The fiber composition is a blend of cotton (60%) and polyester (40%). The fabric weight is 240 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

The lining is 100% viscose. The fabric weight is 100 m/g<sup>2</sup>. The interfacing weight is 50 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

# TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

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- sewing machine for construction
- buttonhole foot for the sewing machine
- one-sided foot for the sewing machine
- stitch-in-the-ditch foot for the sewing machine (optional).

## PATTERN PIECES LIST

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### 1. From main fabric:

- front — cut 2
- back — cut 2
- top sleeve — cut 2
- bottom sleeve — cut 2
- front facing — cut 2
- upper collar — cut 1 on fold
- undercollar — cut 1 on fold
- collar stand — cut 2
- back neck facing — cut 1 on fold
- belt — cut 1
- pocket facing — cut 2
- welt — cut 2
- sleeve tab — cut 4
- epaulet — cut 4
- loop — cut 1
- belt loop — cut 1.

### 2. From lining fabric:

- front lining — cut 2
- back lining — cut 2
- top sleeve lining — cut 2
- bottom sleeve lining — cut 2
- pocket top lining — cut 2
- pocket bottom lining — cut 2.

### 3. From interfacing:

- upper collar — cut 1 on fold
- undercollar — cut 1 on fold
- collar stand — cut 2
- back neck facing — cut 1 on fold
- front facing — cut 2
- belt — cut 1
- pocket facing — cut 2
- welt — cut 2
- epaulet — cut 4
- sleeve tab — cut 4.

### Partially interface the following pieces:

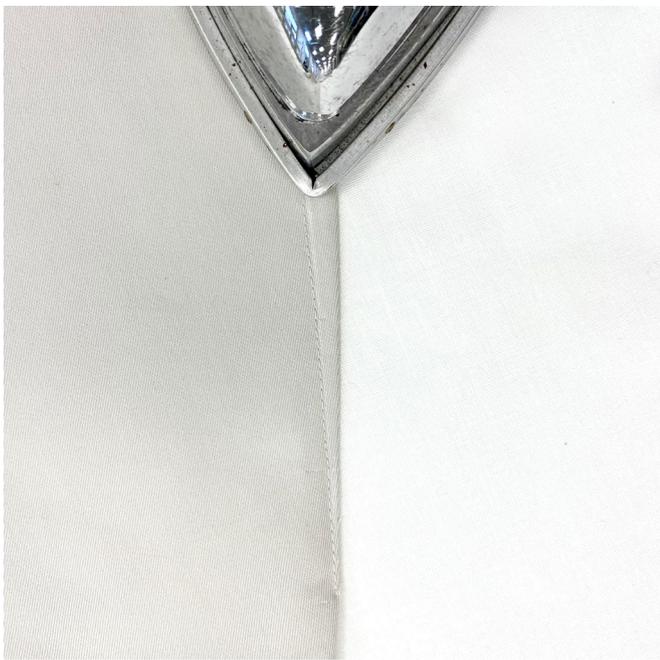
- seam allowances on the front — 2 pieces
- seam allowances on the back — 2 pieces
- hem allowance on the top sleeve — 2 pieces
- hem allowance on the bottom sleeve — 2 pieces.

The strips of interfacing should be cut on the cross grain (perpendicular to the selvedge).

- vent seam allowances on the left back piece. The grainline direction is the same as on the main pattern piece.

Additionally, cut two strips of interfacing to interface the pocket area. The exact size of the strips is marked on the front pattern piece. The strips should be cut on the straight grain.

**IMPORTANT!** Don't forget to transfer all pattern markings and notches onto the fabric.



Machine-stitch the darts, backstitching at the raw edges only. At the tip of the dart, tie thread tails into knots and trim them down to 4-5 cm (1 5/8-2"). The material is too thick to hide the thread tails between fabric layers.

Press the darts flat.



Press the darts toward the center front.

Press and steam the darts, shrinking out the fullness at the dart point on a tailor's ham.



Fold the welt piece in half lengthwise, wrong side in, align the edges, and press.