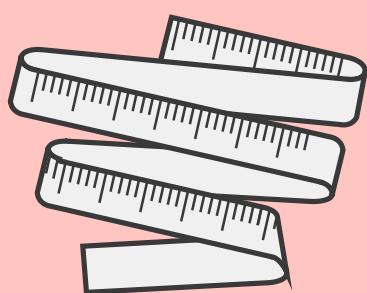


5 STEPS TO CREATING BETTER FITTING GARMENTS



Choosing Your Size

Always start your project by checking your measurements. Check your measurements against the pattern and circle what size/sizes you fall into so that you can easily trace and grade between sizes.



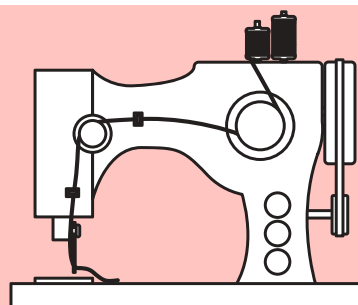
Tracing Out

Always trace out your pattern. Never cut directly into your sewing pattern because once you use it, you lose it. Use the different lines that correlate to the different sizes as a guide to mark and blend between the different sizes. Don't forget to label each piece.



Make A Test

It is so important to first make a test fit (AKA mockup or toile) of your garment. It may take a little extra time, but will save you so much time and money making a garment that fits and that you will actually wear!



Learn basic alterations

Don't be afraid of alterations. Embrace them as just a part of sewing. Just like threading a sewing machine, it is something that needs to be done. Get familiar with the alterations most commonly suited to your shape and practice them.



Use the right tools for the job

Using the right tool for the job can make all the difference. Sometimes cheap isn't always the way to go. So consult your local shop about the project you are working on to make sure there isn't already a "tool for that" to make your life so much easier.

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