

Beginning Sewing

Supply List

Description

In this class you will learn the basics of sewing. The first week you will make a pillow case to practice straight sewing and seam finishing. We will discuss how to make sense of what is on the back of a purchased pattern. For homework you will purchase fabric for your pajamas.

The second week we will use the purchased pattern to make pajama pants. You will learn how to lay out the pattern, cut out the pieces and fit them together. For homework, you will cut out the pieces for the second item.

The third week we will discuss specific skills needed for the third item each student has chosen.

Supplies needed

Basic Sewing Supplies for all sessions:

A sewing machine in good working order.	Small scissors for cutting threads
A bobbin.	Seam ripper if you have one
Size 12 sharps machine needles.	Paper for note taking, pencil or pen.
Thin straight pins.	One large safety pin, or a bodkin if you have one
Sharp fabric scissors.	A sewing tape measure if you have one

For the first class:

1. 100 % cotton fabric, 42 inches wide, for your pillow case:

<u>Required Yardage:</u>	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Queen</u>	<u>King</u>
Main piece	7/8 yd	1 yd	1 1/8 yd
Border	1/3 yd	1/3 yd	1/3 yd
Accent	1/8 yd	1/8 yd	1/8 yd

(The accent is the section at the open edge.)

2. One spool of cotton or polyester thread to match your fabric.

3. Bring (or wear) a pair of pants you like the length of.

4. A pattern for your pajama pants that includes one other item you want to make.

Suggestions for patterns:

McCalls 3370, M4320, M4979,
Simplicity 2500, 2727, 4644, 3935, 5314 (Plus Size), 9505
Butterick B4037

Any pants that have a drawstring or elastic waist will work. Please avoid patterns that have pockets.

Do not buy the pajama fabric yet. We will discuss this in the first class.

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