

FLAT FRONT SKIRT SEWING PATTERN



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X X X Sewing Level: Confident Beginner X X X



Make an easy flat front skirt with this free sewing pattern and template. The skirt can be made for any size or age, and it's really easy to sew.

These skirts are so simple they are the perfect base for any embellishments you want to add like side seam or patch pockets, a skirt overlay, or a front button placket..

This project is great for lightweight to mediumweight woven fabric that's easy to work with. You can use fabrics such as quilting cotton, chambray, cotton lawn, broadcloth, eyelet, swiss dot, etc.

SIZE CHART

Makes 1 custom half circle skirt

BEFORE YOU START

Seam Allowances

Seam allowances are the amount you add when you create your pattern.

SUPPLIES

- 2-3 yards of light to medium weight fabric
- interfacing
- 1/2 yard 2 inch elastic
- Sewing tools
- Sewing machine



WHAT FABRIC WORKS BEST FOR THIS SKIRT?

A quilting cotton, chambray, cotton lawn, or swiss dot will work best. These fabrics are easy to work with, but they have enough body to hang nicely.

SHOULD I PREWASH THE FABRIC?

Yes, you should prewash the fabric. Treat the fabric the same way you'll wash and dry the skirt once it's finished. Remove any shrinkage before you cut and sew.

This skirt is customizable so it works for any size. I have made this skirt for both an adult and a child. All you need is the waist measurement and the length measurement. For women I recommend using 2 inch elastic and for children I recommend using 1 inch elastic.

HOW TO MEASURE YOURSELF

1. Using a measuring tape wrap it around your waist to measure. Your waist is where you bend side to side. Make sure the measuring tape is horizontal with the floor and pull it snug. This measurement is your waist.
2. Place the measuring tape at your center back and let it hang down. Have someone help you see how long you want the skirt to be and what the measurement is. Good hemlines are mid-thigh, just above the knee, and just below the knee. This is your skirt length measurement.



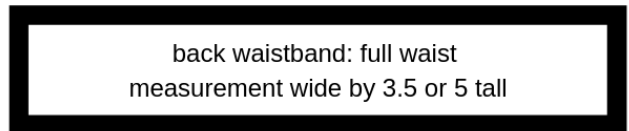
CUTTING LAYOUTS AND CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Use this image and your measurements to cut out your skirt pieces.
2. Front waistband: the rectangle should be cut your waist measurement divided by two plus 1 inch of seam allowance by either 5 inches tall for adults or 3.5 inches tall for children.
3. Back waistband: the rectangle should be cut your waist measurement plus 1 inch of seam allowance by either 5 inches tall for adults or 3.5 inches tall for children.
4. Cut two skirt pieces: the rectangle should be cut your waist measurement plus 1 inch of seam allowance by the length you want plus $\frac{1}{2}$ inch seam allowance and 2 inch hem allowance.

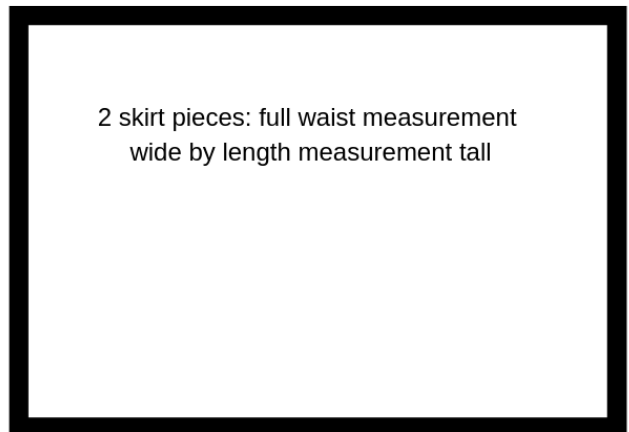
front waistband: half waist
measurement wide by 3.5 or 5 tall



back waistband: full waist
measurement wide by 3.5 or 5 tall



2 skirt pieces: full waist measurement
wide by length measurement tall



SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

Cut out a total of four pieces of fabric: two waistband pieces and two skirt pieces.

Interface the front waistband piece.

Sew the side seams of the skirt together with right sides together and a straight stitch. Finish the seams with a zigzag or a serger.

Fold the hem up one inch and then another inch. Sew and press the hem. Use matching or coordinating thread.

Sew two basting stitches along the top of the front skirt in the seam allowance. Gather this section until it's the same length as the front waistband.



BOX ZIPPER POUCH INSTRUCTIONS

Sew the side seams of the waistband together with right sides together and a straight stitch. Press the seams open.



Pin the waistband onto the skirt with right sides together. Make sure the front is lined up with the front and the back is lined up with the back.

Match up the side seams. Sew with a straight stitch at 1/2" seam allowance. Press the seam allowance towards the waistband.



Fold the back waistband over in half and then fold the 1/2" seam allowance under. Pin it so it covers the previous stitching.

Stitch in the ditch from the outside to secure the waistband inside. Only sew the back waistband section from one side seam to the other side seam.

Cut the elastic to half of your original waist measurement.

Insert the elastic into the created casing and tack at each side seam.



Fold the back waistband over in half and then fold the 1/2" seam allowance under. Pin it so it covers the previous stitching.

Stitch in the ditch from the outside to secure the waistband inside.

You finished!

