A-Plus A Line

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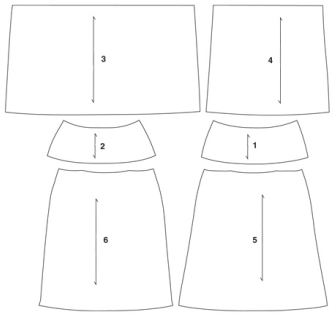
This design by Twinkle by Wenlan is a sneak peak into Wenlans book Twinkle Sews One skirt, two ways: Cerulean blue wool knitted tricot gives structure to this perfect winter workweek skirt, but if you want to create a look thatâs more luxe, make it in shiny fabric such as brocade, duchesse satin, or gold Lurexâ¢. This pattern is following the size chart of Twinkle by Wenlan, which you can find here on step 5 of the instructions.. Find out more about Twinkle by Wenlan Purchase the book here

Materials

Step 1



Self

1. Front Yoke

2. Back Yoke
3. Front Skirt
4. Back Skirt

Lining
5. Front Skirt
6. Back Skirt

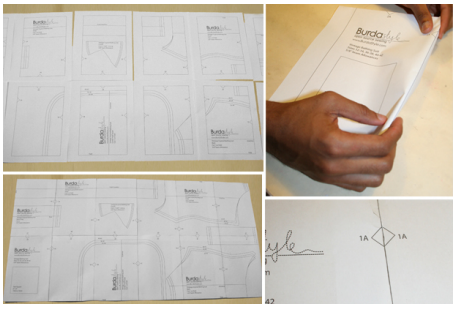
Fusible
1. Front Yoke
2. Back Yoke

MATERIALS

1 3/4 yd (1.6m) wool tricot
1 3/4 yd (1.6m) lightweight lining fabric
3 /8 yd (34cm) fusible interfacing
Thread*
7"â9" (18cmâ23cm) invisible zipper
1 hook and eye

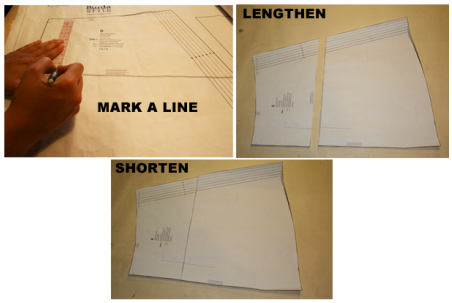
- This skirt has three lines of stitching that show on the right side of the garment: 1â4" (6mm) below the waistline, 3â8" (9.5mm) above the yoke- skirt seam, and approximately 1" (2.5cm) above the hem. Plan your thread color to match or contrast.

Step 2



The patterns are printed out in letter sized pages within a thin frame. Wait until all sheets are printed out. Arrange the sheets so that they fit together (see additional page with the overview of the prints) following the markers. Fold the single sheets on the upper and right edge along the thin frame lines. Begin with the left lower sheet and then tape the frame lines together precisely.

Step 3



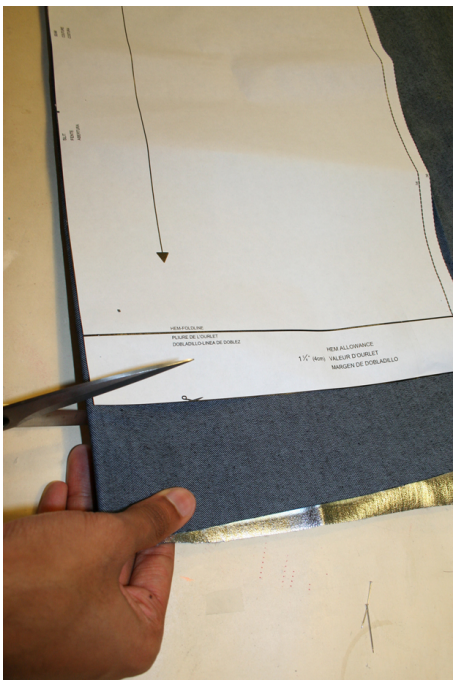
ADJUST PATTERN SIZES
Select your size according to the Burda-dimension table: dresses, blouses, jackets and coats according to the bust size, trousers and skirts according to the hip width. Change the pattern to fit your measurements if they deviate from the Burda-size chart. Cut out the pattern according to your size.
Sizes 2 to 14 (EU 34 to 46):
A: Pattern pieces 1 and 4, Lace Yoke Back, Lace Yoke Front, Puff Sleeve, Cuff

Refer to our âAdjust patterns for mixed sizesâ technique

LENGTHENING OR SHORTENING THE PATTERN PIECES
Our pattern is calculated for a height of 5â 6â (168 cm). If you are taller or shorter, you can adjust the pattern pieces along the lines marked âlengthen or shorten hereâ. This way the proper fit is maintained. Always adjust all pattern pieces along the same line to the same degree.

How to lengthen and shorten pattern pieces:
Cut the pattern pieces along the marked lines
To lengthen, slide the two halves of the pattern piece as far apart as necessary.
To shorten, overlap the two halves of the pattern piece as far as necessary. Blend the side edges.

Step 4



CUTTING OUT
FOLD (â â â â) means: Cut on the fold, the fold being the center of the pattern piece, but never a cut edge or seam. The piece should be cut double, with the fold line forming the center line. Pattern pieces that are outlined with a broken line in the cutting diagrams are to be placed face down on the fabric. The cutting diagrams on the pattern sheet show how the pattern pieces should be placed on the fabric.

The cutting diagrams show the placement of the pattern on the fabric.
For a single layer of fabric, the pattern pieces are pinned to the right side. For double layers of fabric, the right sides are facing and the pattern pieces are pinned to the wrong side. The pattern pieces that are shown extending over the fold of the fabric in the cutting diagram should be cut last from a single layer of fabric .

Step 5

Wovens

Size	Bust	Natural Waist	Hip
0	31	25	35
2	32	26	36
4	33	27	37
6	34	28	38
8	35	29	39
10	36	30	40

Knits

Size	Bust	Natural Waist	Hip
XS	31	25	35
S	33	27	37
M	35	29	39
L	37	31	41

Select the pattern size according to your hip measurement plus 2"â4" (5cmâ10cm) ease. Lay out the pattern pieces on the corresponding fabrics, fitting them on the fabric however works for you, and cut. Donât forget to watch the grain lines.

Step 6

Baste together the right-hand side seam of the front yoke (1) and back yoke (2). Try on the yoke and pin together the zipper edge. Make the yoke fit comfortably on your waist and hips by adjusting the seam allowances. Mark the new seam allowances. Remove the basting. Trim the seam allowances off the fusible interfacing to match the finished size (after seaming) of each of the yoke pieces (1, 2). Press the fusible interfacing to the wrong side of the corresponding
yoke piece.

Step 7

Starting with the skirt front (3), pin the pleats following the arrows: Pin point 1 to point 2 and point 3 to point 4 on both sides of the center. Baste the pleats in place by hand.

Step 8

With right sides together and aligning the center fronts and side seams, pin the front yoke (1) to the skirt front (3). Note: If you have made any changes to the size of the yoke, you will have to adjust the pleats accordingly. When you are satisfied that everything matches up, place the right sides of the front yoke and skirt front together, with the bottom edge of the yoke flush with the top of the skirt, and sew the front yoke to the skirt front. To reduce some of the bulk at the seam line, grade the inner seam allowances, leaving the outer seam allowance at 1â2" (13mm). Press all seam allowances
up toward the yoke. On the inside of the skirt, open the 1â2" (13mm) seam allowance so it lays against the yoke, then sew the seam allowance to the yoke about 3â8" (9.5mm) from the existing seam line. The bobbin stitches will show on the right side of the skirt, so

be sure to have the thread color you want in the bobbin. (A)

Step 9

Repeat step 4 with the back yoke (2) and skirt back (4). Before sewing the side seams with right sides together, put the zipper in the left side seam following the directions on the package or using your favorite method; finish sewing the left side seam. Then sew the right side seam. Be sure the front and back yoke lines meet at the side seams.

Step 10

Finish the hem according to your favorite method. I have sewn a single-fold
hem with the stitches showing on the outside of the skirt for a sporty look. Note: If using fabric that frays easily, donât
forget to finish the bottom edge of the hem before turning.

Step 11

Adjust the darts on the front and back lining pieces (5, 6) to fit the skirt. With the right sides of the front and back lining pieces together, sew the side seams of the lining together,
leaving a 7"â9" (18cmâ23cm) opening on the left-hand
side seam and an 8" (20.5cm) opening at the hem edge of the left side seam. Finish the 8" (20.5cm) slit with a 1â4" (6mm) double-fold
hem.

Step 12

If you are sure the lining is not going to show below the skirt at the hemline, hem the lining with a 1â4" (6mm) double-fold hem. If you are unsure, leave the lining hem until last.

Step 13

Pin the lining to the skirt with right sides together, aligning the side seams and the zipper opening. Using a 1â2" (13mm) seam allowance, sew the lining to the skirt around the waist edge. You may want to grade the seam to eliminate some bulk; understitching is also an option. Turn the lining to the inside. Press the top edge so that the lining doesnât show above the waist line. Slip stitch the lining opening to the zipper tape. Topstitch the waist edge 1â4" (6mm) from the top.

Step 14

Adjust the lining hem. If you havenât already, finish the lining with a 1â4" (6mm) double-fold hem.

Step 15

Finishing Touches

With sewing thread, crochet a chain about 2" (5cm) long. Attach one end at the bottom of the lining on the right-hand seam line. Attach the other end to the seam allowance of the skirt. This will help to keep the lining from sliding around.

Step 16

Sew a hook and eye on the inside the of waist edge above the zipper.