

Mayhall's Sewing Center

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Class Description and Supply List

For Class Times & Dates see the Monthly Schedule

(A basic working knowledge of your machine is required, unless you are registering for a beginning Sewing or Serger Class)

Beginning Sewing

Learn the basic use of your sewing machine – threading, winding a bobbin, etc.,

The techniques to be taught in this class include:

- Machine operation and basic maintenance
- Elastic casings
- Top stitched hems
- Seam finishes
- Simple zipper insertion

There will be 3 projects:

1. Pillowcase – Techniques: Straight stitching and French seams
2. Inside-out bag – Techniques: Seam finishes, Zipper insertion (Kit fee - \$10.00)
3. Loose fitting, pull on, elastic waist pajama pants (short or long), **OR** pull on skirt with elastic waist.

Before first class purchase only the fabric for your pillow case – light weight cotton or cotton/poly blend is the most suitable for this project.

Class #1: Pillowcase: (double the yardage if you would like to make 2) Wash/rinse and press fabric before cutting.

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| • Main fabric – ¾ yard | BEFORE CLASS | CUT TO 27" x width of fabric |
| • Border fabric – 1/3 yard | “ “ | CUT TO 10" x width of fabric |
| • Accent fabric – 1/8 yard | “ “ | CUT TO 2.5" x width of fabric |

Pattern Choice: Patterns marked **“EASY”** are usually best for a first project. The pattern should not be fitted or tailored. **Do not** choose a pattern that has a fly or is recommended for “Knits Only”. Suggested patterns for pajamas: Simplicity # 5271, 3935: McCalls # 5217, 4244, 4724: Butterick #4406, 6837; Skirt patterns: Simplicity #7655, 4881: Butterick #B4803 # 3460: McCalls #2255. Pattern size is determined by your measurements. **Purchase pattern prior to class. We will discuss yardage & notions in the first class.** If in doubt, wait until the first class and we will discuss your choice. Pre-treat fabric before 2nd class (page 44 in your book)

Fabric Choice: Choose a cotton, cotton/poly blend, or flannel for your project. **Do not choose** plaid, directional/one way prints . any fabric with a nap (velvets, corduroys or faux leathers), knits or rayons. Firmly woven fabrics are easier to work with as you are learning.