

## BEGINNING GARMENT SEWING SUPPLY LIST

Welcome to the world of garment sewing! This is a five-part class which focuses on the basics of garment construction.

For pattern discussion class:

1. Paper and pen

For the second class (we'll discuss and do some basic fitting, marking and cutting out a pattern)

1. Straight pins or pattern weights. Pins with ball heads work best for beginners. They are easy to see and remove.
2. Measuring tape
3. Marking tool. This is best selected after you have purchased your fabric.
4. Good quality fabric shears
5. Your pattern

Although we will discuss patterns at the first class, there are a few suggestions that will make your garment sewing experience a positive one.

1. Keep the garment simple. Pull on pants and pullover tops without zippers or buttons can be completed during the course of this class. Garments with more details will be slower and at times perhaps more frustrating. Keep this in mind as it pertains to your particular skill level.
2. Fabric choice is very important. Woven fabrics are easier to sew and pose fewer difficulties for beginners. **For this class, please avoid: delicate, slippery or easily fraying fabrics, velvet, knits or corduroy.** Please feel free to ask assistance of any of the staff at Hans' Sewing and also Gayfeather Fabrics (right next to Hans').
3. There is no required book for this class, although I would recommend Let's Sew by Nancy Zieman or Garments for Beginners by Coats and Clark. Either can be purchased at Hans'.
4. **Wash, dry and iron (if necessary) fabric before class.**

For the third class and beyond:

1. Sewing machine in good working order with bobbins for the machine. If you'd like us to reserve a class machine for you, let us know.
2. Thread to match your fabric.
3. Small sewing scissors or thread clippers.
4. Any notions your pattern calls for such as buttons, cord, zippers, snaps, interfacing, etc. Many of these items can be purchased at Hans'.

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