## FROM THE FOUNDER OF THE #VIKISEWS BRAND



Back in 2016, when I was working on my first set of sewing instructions, I was trying to write them in such a way that even a complete beginner could easily understand and use them to create their very first garment. These instructions laid the foundation for the Vikisews brand, its vision and its mission. I wanted to create modern patterns with the utmost detailed and clear instructions.

Now, with each new collection we are constantly improving our instructions, amending them and adding more relevant details. By the time the final product reaches you, our drafters, correctors, and editors would have spent weeks perfecting every word and every photograph. If you compile a few of our instructions together, you will get a sewing manual that will assist you in sewing all kinds of garments at any difficulty level.

And I would be very happy if these instructions helped you to turn your hobby into a lifelong passion... Enjoy the process! Create your ultimate dream wardrobe! Wear your garments proudly for years to come!

If you have any questions, please contact us at info@vikisews.com - we are always there to help.



# **BRITNEY PATTERN DESCRIPTION**

Britney is a pair of loose-fitting banana pants. The waistband features topstitched belt loops, the front has pockets, and tucks at the waistline. Britney fastens with a fly front zip. The back has a yoke and patch pockets. The bottom has darts which form the tapered silhouette and is finished with facings. The pockets, yoke, waistband, side seams, and hems feature decorative topstitching. The pants are ankle length.



## **IMPORTANT!**

The contents of this pattern are copyright protected and belong exclusively to VikiSews. You may use VikiSews patterns for personal use. It is prohibited to share VikiSews patterns and instructions with third parties, as well as to publish patterns and instructions online for public access. According to part 1 of clause 1252 and clause 1301 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation, failure to comply with the mentioned rules constitutes a breach of the legislation in force in the field of copyright and entails liability of the violator. Illegal use or distribution will be prosecuted in accordance with legislation.

You may use VikiSews patterns for commercial use, to sew custom-made garments and/or create fashion collections, on the condition that the patterns are solely used in a manufacturing setting and are not further shared with individuals.

## TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Waistline ease	Hipline ease	
cm	3		
inches	1 1/8	3 1/2	

### **GARMENT LENGTH**

Height, cm	Garment length, cm	Height, ft	Garment length, in
1 (154-160)	94	1 (5'1"–5'3")	37
2 (162-168)	98	2 (5'4"-5'6")	38 5/8
3 (170-176)	102	3 (5'7"-5'9")	40 1/8
4 (178-184)	106	4 (5'10"-6'1")	41 3/4

**Attention!** The width of the pant at the hem for sizes 34-46 is 14.4 - 17.4cm (55/8''-67/8''). The difference between each size is 0.6cm (1/4'').

## SUGGESTED FABRIC

To sew these pants, choose woven fabrics with the following properties:

- · Medium to heavy weight, soft, structured, non-stretch or with very little stretch, opaque
- The fiber content can include natural fibers (wool, cotton), blends (wool + polyester, cotton + polyester, etc.), and synthetic (polyester, polyester + elastane)
  - The following fabrics are recommended: cotton, heavy corduroy, denim, twill

Attention! We do not recommend stretchy knit materials and lightweight materials.

The pants in the photo are made of denim fabric. This fabric is medium weight, soft and has very little stretch. The fiber content is a blend of cotton, polyester and elastane.

# TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT

- Sewing machine for construction
- Overlocker for finishing raw edges. This may be replaced with a stretch overlock stitch or a zigzag stitch on the sewing machine (overlock or zigzag stitch width 2-3mm, stitch length 2.5mm)
- · Buttonhole foot for your sewing machine
- Zipper foot for your sewing machine (optional)
- Stitch-in-the-ditch foot for your sewing machine (optional)

#### PATTERN PIECES LIST

#### 1. From main fabric:

- Front leg cut 2
- Back leg cut 2
- Back yoke cut 2
- Left waistband cut 2
- Right waistband cut 2
- Pocket cut 2
- Patch pocket cut 2
- Front hem facing cut 2
- Back hem facing cut 2
- · Belt loops cut 1
- Fly shield cut 1

#### 2. From lining:

• Pocket bag – cut 2

#### 3. From interfacing:

- Left waistband cut 2
- Right waistband cut 2
- Fly extension cut 1

You will also need to cut strips of interfacing to reinforce the upper seam allowance of the patch pockets.

*IMPORTANT!* Don't forget to transfer all pattern markings and notches onto the fabric.

#### **SEAM ALLOWANCES**

All pattern pieces include 1cm (3/8") seam allowances.

Take this into account when laying out pattern pieces on the fabric.

To baste the garment, use either a long straight machine stitch (stitch length 4-5mm [1/8"-1/4"]) or baste by hand (stitch length approximately 1cm [3/8"]).

**Important!** In situations where the needle leaves marks in the fabric (leather, suede, nylon, silk, etc.), in order to check the fit and evaluate possible issues, we recommend making a TOILE first! In this case, you won't need to do fittings, unless it's done solely to evaluate the length of garment and placement of buttons/snaps. We recommend testing on a scrap piece of fabric first to see whether your material is prone to be marked by needles.

During basting, if it so happens that one piece is longer than the other, don't rush to true them by cutting off the excess or stretching the shorter piece. First make sure that the notches are properly matched, lay the pieces on a flat surface and try to re-baste the pieces together. If the pieces still don't match in length, for example if one stretched or if there was a mistake during cutting, then the truing can be done after the first fitting, during construction of the garment.

After assembly, seams should be lightly pressed flat, then pressed to one side or pressed open.

#### What to look for during fitting?

The garment's volume at the waist, hips, knees, garment length, crotch length.

Mark location of pockets.

Check for fit issues associated with individual features of the body.

After the fitting, mark changes symmetrically to both sides of the garment; if needed, baste once more for another fitting.



Place the back leg top edge right sides together with the bottom edge of the back yoke. Align the edges. Pin, hand baste and stitch on the sewing machine. Backstitch at the beginning and end.

Overlock the seam allowance with the back leg facing up.