

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 most 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.



JAMES PATTERN DESCRIPTION

James is a pair of semi-fitted, straight pants gathered at the hems with wide elastic. The elastic is secured with two lines of topstitching. The pants feature slash pockets at the front and mid-thigh gusseted cargo pockets with flaps at the sides. There are decorative tabs made out of twill tape at the center of the pocket flaps. The front leg has knee tucks along the inseams and side seams. There is a faux fly in the center front seam. The applied elasticated waistband has a drawstring casing with twill tape threaded through it. The waistline is slightly lowered. The pants are ankle-length.



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TOTAL EASE ALLOWANCE

	Waistline ease	Hipline ease
cm	18-20.5	9.7-9.9
inches	7 1/8 - 8 1/8	3 7/8

GARMENT LENGTH

Height, cm	Garment length at side seam, cm
1 (170-176)	104.4
2 (178-184)	108.4
3 (186-192)	112.3
4 (194-200)	116.3

Height, ft	Garment length at side seam, in
1 (5'7"-5'9")	41 1/8
2 (5'10"-6')	42 5/8
3 (6'1"-6'3")	44 1/4
4 (6'4"-6'7")	45 3/4

SUGGESTED FABRIC

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

- medium to heavyweight, soft, non-stretch or low-stretch, opaque
- the fiber content can include natural fibers (wool, cotton, linen), artificial fibers (viscose), blends (cotton + elastane, wool + polyester, cotton + viscose, etc.), and synthetics (polyester, polyester + elastane)
- the following fabrics are recommended: heavyweight cotton, gabardine, denim, wool, corduroy.

The garment in the photos is made from denim. The fabric is medium-weight, soft, low-stretch. The fiber content is cotton + elastane.

IMPORTANT! When purchasing fabric, please account for shrinkage and buy 5% more than required.

2. Lightweight fusible interfacing, knit or woven, 140cm (55") wide, for all sizes and heights - 0,2m (1/4 yd).

3. Elastic, 4,5cm (1 3/4") wide:

Size	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	52
Elastic length, m	1.20	1.25	1.30	1.35	1.40	1.45	1.50	1.55	1.60
Elastic length, yd	1 1/4	1 3/8	1 3/8	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 5/8	1 5/8	1 3/4	1 3/4

4. Twill tape, 1,5cm (5/8") wide - 1,5-2m (1 5/8 - 2 1/8 yd) depending on the size.

5. Matching thread - 5 spools (1 spool for the sewing machine + 4 spools for the overlocker).

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 the sewing machine
- edgestitch foot for the sewing machine (optional)
- bodkin / elastic threader for inserting elastic (may be replaced with a safety pin).



We recommend testing your interfacing and/or fusible tape on a scrap of fabric before applying it to the pattern pieces. Check the iron's settings including temperature and steam settings (check if it's safe to use steam on your main fabric). Check how long it takes for the interfacing to bond.

Partially interface the following pieces:

- patch pocket - 2 pieces. Interface the grown-on pocket facing
- waistband - 1 piece. Interface the buttonhole area with 2x2cm (3/4 x 3/4") squares of interfacing
- patch pocket top flap - 2 pieces. Apply straight grain fusible tape around the perimeter of the piece, 8mm (just under 3/8") from the edge
- front leg - 2 pieces. Interface the pocket opening edge with straight grain fusible tape, 8mm (just under 3/8") from the edge
- left front leg - 1 piece. Interface the fly area along the foldline on the left front leg piece.



To interface, position the gluey side of the interfacing onto the wrong side of the fabric and press. Try not to stretch the pieces with the iron. Firmly press the piece section by section, holding it down with the iron for a few seconds until that section is adhered and then pressing down the next section. You may use a cotton pressing cloth to protect your iron sole. Once the interfacing is fused, leave the piece on a hard flat surface for 15 minutes for it to cool down.