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# MATERIALS LIST

# PIECED FUREKA TOP

- Eureka Top & Skirt printed pattern
- Or <u>Eureka Top</u> digital pattern (Eureka Top only)
- Pieced Eureka Top kit (optional purchase)
  - <u>Havan</u>a Kit
  - Belize Kit
- Or find a balance of floral and geometric prints:
  - Yardage 54"- 60" wide all sizes
    - Fabric #1 ½ yard
    - Fabric #2 ½ yard
    - Fabric #3 ¼ yard
    - Fabric #4 ½ yard
    - Fabric #5 ½ yard
    - Fabric #6 5% yard
- 1 spool 100% Cotton Thread
- Silk Basting Thread
- 1 spool 100% Silk Thread to match (optional)
- 70/10mm Universal Machine Needle
- Hand Sewing Needle
- 3 spools Isacord Thread or other Overlock Thread
- Rotary Cutter recommended but Shears are fine
- Trimming <u>Scissors</u> or Snips
- Glasshead Silk Pins
- Pattern Weights
- Chakoner or Chalk Marker
- <u>Seam Ripper</u>
- Tailor's Ham
- Sleeve Board
- Steam Iron

You will need a sewing machine that has been cleaned and oiled and is in good condition. If your machine also embroiders and has a 9mm throat plate, you may want to invest in a 5mmwide throat plate or a single hole plate. If you have the even-feed feature on your machine, engage it. If not, add a walking foot, if possible.

An overlock machine (serger) is recommended but not required.

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# PREPARATION

Plan to have the following work done before the start of the video class.

Download and print out all of the following documents from your account. The document is titled, "Pieced Eureka Preparation Information". It includes:

- HOW TO LENGTHEN THE EUREKA TOP
- PIECING GUIDE
- CUTTING KEY

Each kit will include a FABRIC LAYOUT GUIDE printed in color showing the exact fabric placement.

### **Pattern Work**

Determine your size for the top using your full bust measurement. Refer to the Size Measurement Chart on the back of the pattern envelope. Use this chart to find your full bust measurement and select that size. Then measure the bust and hip circumferences on the pattern. Compare the finished measurements to your bust and hips sizes and you will know how much design ease is built into the pattern. This garment is oversized so you may want to consider going down one size, but measure to make sure.

Trace or cut out your pattern pieces, lightly press, and make any fitting adjustments to the pattern.

Follow the instructions in the HOW TO LENGTHEN THE EUREKA TOP document to lengthen the Front and Back pattern pieces and add side seam vent openings.

### **Fabric Prep**

If you are planning to launder your finished Eureka Top, pre-wash the fabrics in cold water and hang dry your fabric.

## **Cutting Out**

To cut out your fabric sections, use the PIECING GUIDE and the CUTTING KEY along with the FABRIC LAYOUT GUIDE (included in your kit).

Start with the PIECING GUIDE and the FABRIC LAYOUT GUIDE (in kits only) showing the superimposed outline of the Eureka Top on the pieced fabric. This shows you the placement of the fabrics and the fabric numbers being used. Refer to the PIECING GUIDE to identify the fabric numbers for piecing. Use page 3 to cut out the Sleeve Bands and the Neck Binding. Then refer to the CUTTING KEY to see the sizes to cut the pieces.



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You will be sewing these rectangles together in a specific order to make a larger piece of fabric out of which the exact Eureka Top pattern will be used to cut the Front and Back. This will be demonstrated in the class video and seam finish options will be shown.

Clean and oil your sewing machine, wind a bobbin (remove any other thread that might be wound on your bobbin), thread your machine, and sit back and wait for the class video. You are all set!

### **Video Access**

The class video will be available for viewing August 20, 2021. Details and links for accessing the class video and the follow-up Zoom Q&A sessions will be sent to you prior to the class in a separate email.