

Sew Be It. com Newsletter

COMPLIMENTARY ISSUE

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COUTURE

- *Design Control*
- *Precise Fit*
- *Sewing without compromise*

CONTINUOUS EDUCATION

As promised, my support to you will be:

- ✓ To provide sewing skills that I have learned from everybody and use in my LaCourse Couture sewing business.
- ✓ To share tips and techniques in pattern making using The Lutterloh System® International "The Golden Rule" (Lutterloh) – to help you become experts in pattern making. IT WORKS!
- ✓ To share home-based business start-up information. YOU WILL NEED IT!

All this and more when you subscribe to the Sew Be It .com Newsletter.

PRICE TAG

Some years ago, a woman asked a famous millinery designer to design a hat for her. He placed a canvas form on her head, and in eight minutes created a beautiful hat before her eyes with a single piece of ribbon.

The matron was delighted! "How much will that be," she asked.

"Fifty dollars," he replied.

Why, that's outrageous, it's only a piece of ribbon," she protested.

The milliner quickly unraveled the ribbon and handing it to her, said, "Why Madam, the ribbon is free."

Author unknown

BASIC LUTTERLOH CONSTRUCTION

For those of you that need step-by-step sewing instructions, I recommend that you look through some of your basic sewing books or commercial patterns for general instructions – linings, facings etc. The Singer Sewing Reference Library is a must to own. Additional continuous education will be referenced in the Sew Be It.com Newsletter subscription. Below I have included the art of construction based on information purchased with my 10-year old Lutterloh manual that is out of print. I hope this helps to get you started.

NOTE: Everything in brackets is optional.

BLOUSES/DRESSES/TOPS/ JACKETS/COATS

- Sew darts and shoulder seams first
- Finish neckline (collar and lapel)
- Sleeves with high caps are finished before they are sewn into the garment.
- Close side seams. (Pockets)
- (Sleeves with flat caps are sewn into the garment after the shoulder seam is closed. Then sleeves and side seams are sewn together in one step.
- (Sew in lining)
- Finish hem. (Make button holes)

Select the way **you** would like the seams finished, open, overlocked edge finish, top stitched, or a French seam. Then add seam and hem allowance according to your seam finish.

PANTS

- Sew darts and close pleats.
- (Make side pockets, leave left pocket open, for pocket opening)
- Sew side seams.
- Sew inseam.
- Sew Crotch seam.
- (Zipper)
- Attach waistband.
- Finish hem
- (Pocket opening is only possible on pants with front gathers or front pleats).

SKIRTS

- Sew darts and close pleats.
- Sew center front/back.
- (Slit, pleat, zipper).
- (Make side pockets, leave left pocket open for pocket opening).
- Sew side seam.
- (Sew in Lining).
- Attach waistband
- Finish hem.
- (Pocket opening is only possible on skirts with fronts gathers or front pleats)

Learn how to make perfect fitting pants, skirts, dresses, tops, coats along with tips and techniques for facings, linings, sleeves and much more through various issues when you subscribe to the Sew Be It.com Newsletter.

TIPS AND TECHNIQUES

Anytime you see ONE center cross (pivot point) and two arrows – this is your key to make two pieces out of it after you draft it to your size. Refer to my favorite purple suite #123 (or any pattern in your system (usually a sleeve or jacket that will show two arrows and one center cross).

Draft sleeve as normal (remember above the waist is based on bust measurement)

Place tissue paper (tracing paper) over your new pattern you created from the template. Redraw your pattern but make two (2) pattern pieces from the sleeve. Add seam and hem allowance accordingly. Sew sleeves together!

NOTIONS

Have you tried Pattern Ease™? Check your local fabric stores. JoAnn Fabric stores has this in stock. Buy it by the bolt! It is great to draft your Lutterloh Patterns.

You now have a muslin sample to fit you or your customer. Mark changes right on the Pattern Ease™. Now you can draft without seam allowance and cut out and use masking tape to butt ends together or add seams allowance accordingly and sew it up for fittings.

Fabric Width Conversion Chart

90 cm	35/36"
115cm	44/45"
140cm	55"
150cm	59"

Metric to Yards

5cm	2"
10cm	4"
20cm	8"
30cm	12"
40cm	16"
50cm	20"
100cm	1-1/8 yards
200cm	2-1/4 yards
300cm	3-3/8 yards
400cm	4-1/2 yards
500cm	5-5/8 yards
600cm	6-3/4 yards

PATTERN MAKING CLASS

Listed below are the Lutterloh SYMBOLS that apply to the three FREE Lutterloh pattern designs that you received for attending the **Learn Pattern-Making in minutes Demo**.

A = Front

B = Back

E = Sleeve

G = Collar

H = Waistband

K = Pocket

NN = Blouse

V = Front Sleeve

Z = Trousers

VM = Center Front

HM = Center Back

----- (Dashes) = Place on folder (no seam)

Arrow = grainline

//// (Slashes) = Facing

Note: The center cross can be outside the pattern template. The collar is referred to as G. You will place your Lutterloh Sizing Scale in the Center Cross pivot point. Line up your measuring tape to the radiating black line on the collar accordingly and place a dot. When you see two numbers on the same radiating line, make two dots – one dot at each number. Continue making dots around the collar. Connect the dots using your Lutterloh Tailors Curve. Use your Lutterloh Designer Curve to draw the collar band (see dashes on template).

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NANC'S CORNER

This certainly has been an incredible bridal season for my business and the sewbeit.com has been a blessing. Not only do I have a lot of customers but more importantly lots of new sewing friends. God Bless you all for your loyalty.

www.sewbeit.com has been updated. You may want to print it out so you can view the changes. Come back in September for more updates! Don't forget to print the Complimentary - this gets updated as well.

Order forms have been updated again to include some new products from Lutterloh and new order forms from Sew Be It.com Home-Based Business Products.

The Sew Be It.com Newsletter Volume 1 and Volume 2 are still in demand and well received. Thanks for all your kind words and support. I am here for you so keep coming back! I am working on Issue 7 and 8 so we will get these out on time!

Sewbeit-talk group - WOW! Thank you so much for signing up and being a part of this group. This is really growing and I do plan to make this more of a priority.

We had an opportunity to keep my 5-year old grandson Adrian for ONE MONTH! My daughter, Stacy and Son-in-Law, Damien have done an incredible job with this child. My husband made a scrapbook of Adrian's stay with us and it will be something he will remember for ever. When Stacy was getting married she gave me the following laminated on parchment paper for me to keep. I want to share this with you now.

*One hundred years from now,
it will not matter what kind
of car I drove, what kind of
house I lived in, how much
I had in the bank, nor what
my clothes looked like. But
the world may be a little better
because I was important in
the life of a child.*

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AND MUCH MORE!

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