

Sewing with Knits

With Terry McClintock

Love to wear knits? Not sure how to sew them? Join us for Sewing with Knits and learn everything you need to know about sewing this versatile, somewhat intimidating fabric. We will cover fit, layout and cutting out your project. We will discuss construction techniques and special considerations when sewing with knits. The first project made with any pattern is best done using your sewing machine. This leaves the seam allowances intact for any fitting needed. Finishing the tee shirt neckline also requires your sewing machine. For this class, I am recommending using a sewing machine. Choose a project and let's get started sewing knits!



Supplies:

- Your sewing machine with instructional manual and accessories ✓
- Walking foot if you have one (sometimes helpful with lighter weight knits) ✓
- Basic sewing supplies, including scissors, pins Clover Wonder Clips, marker or chalk, measuring tape, seam ripper, small trimming scissors ✓
- Pattern - A simple t shirt, skirt or legging pattern (see below) ✓
- Fabric and notions per your pattern envelope
- Pamela's Fantastic Elastic (for the skirt) ✓

We will discuss threads and needle choices in class, so you can purchase the right combo for your chosen fabric. You can wait to purchase these items at our store. ✓

Pattern and Fabric suggestions:

T-Shirt or Skirt

- Pamela's Perfect Tee (Pamela's Patterns) available at Dublin Sewing Center. After teaching Knits for several years, I can say this is the best T-Shirt pattern on the market! ✓
- Magic Pencil Skirt (Pamela's Patterns) ✓
- Fabric per the pattern envelope. Look for fabrics with Lycra or Spandex content. Fabric should have stretch in both directions for the t-shirt. For the skirt, choose a heavier weight fabric. For the shirt, hold off on buying the seam tape and heat and bonds; we will discuss in class.

Leggings

- Capricorn Leggings (pdf pattern purchased online from SeeKateSew.com)
- Simplicity 8425 View A
- Simplicity 8212 View A or B

For the leggings, choose a heavyweight fabric that has good stretch in both directions. A lightweight fabric can quickly become sheer when stretched to the limit!

If you have any questions before class, please email me! terrycansew@gmail.com

✓ Denotes items available for purchase at Dublin Sewing Center.