

Dressmaking Series — Supply List

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Items marked “in store” are available at Always In Stitches. Please bring the first two groups to our first class; I will let you know when to bring the rest.

1. Fabric and pattern supplies

- Pattern paper — in store, or [Amazon](#)
- Curve ruler set — [Amazon](#)
- Cotton fabric, 3 yards, and a matching thread cone — in store

For a first dress I recommend a solid color or a small all-over print — plaids, stripes and large prints require matching at the seams, and stretch fabrics behave differently.

- Two or three 24-inch invisible zippers, in a color close to your fabric — in store, or [Amazon](#)
- Muslin or an inexpensive plain cotton, 2 yards — in store

We will use this to sew a test bodice at home before our fitting class, so that any changes are made on muslin rather than on your good fabric.

2. Drafting and measuring tools

- A measuring tape with centimeters
- Pencils and an eraser
- A black Sharpie pen or marker — for paper patterns only
- Tailor’s chalk or a water-erasable fabric marking pen — for marking fabric

Please do not use a Sharpie on fabric; the marks cannot be removed.

- Scissors
- A calculator, or a smartphone with a calculator app
- A notebook for taking notes

3. Bring later, when announced

- Your sewing machine — **please do not bring a sewing machine to the first class.**
- An invisible zipper foot that fits your machine. These vary by brand and model — please check your machine’s manual, or ask the staff at Always In Stitches for help finding the right one.
- Straight pins and a pin cushion
- A seam ripper

A note on pressing: we will press as we sew, and I will demonstrate in class. You do not need to bring an iron.

Questions before class? Please contact me at 317-712-1238 or mandarinteacherseline@gmail.com.