# **Jackson Tee and Pullover**

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**Location**: Treelotta



### **Class Description:**

The Jackson Tee and Pullover is ready to be a workhorse in your wardrobe! This gender-inclusive design is great for you and excellent for your family and friends, too. All views have a classic unisex fit with a slightly dropped shoulder and crew neck. The pullover features knit bands for the cuffs and hem that can be sewn in in matching ribbing if desired. Two lengths are provided for both tee and pullover so it's easy to suit yourself or the person you are sewing it for.

In this class, you'll gain confidence working with knits, learn essential techniques for master finishing details for a professional look. Whether you're new to knits or looking to refine your skills, this class will set you up for success!

We will be using our REGULAR sewing machines in this class - a serger is not needed!

#### Skills and techniques that will be covered include:

- Sewing with Knits
- Sewing with a Twin Needle
- Topstitch, Staystitch, Edge Finishes and Hemming for Knit Fabrics
- Knit Neck Band. Hem Band and Cuffs

### Skill level: Beginner

Students should be comfortable with selecting their pattern size, laying out and cutting their project pieces, and have some previous experience sewing garments. Students should also be familiar with operating their sewing machine, sewing straight seams and finishing seam allowances (e.g., zigzag, overlock).

<u>NOTE:</u> If you are new to garment sewing, we recommend that you take the <u>"Intro to Garment Sewing" class</u> that is offered periodically by Treelotta. The Intro class will give you a good foundation or refresher as you build your knowledge and skills for successful garment sewing.

#### **Fabric Suggestions**

- The pattern recommends these fabrics:
  - Main Fabric: Stretch Knits with at least 10% cross-grain stretch. If sizing down for a tighter fit, consider a fabric with at least 20% cross-grain stretch.
    - *For the Tee*: Cotton jersey, cotton spandex, bamboo jersey, modal jersey,rib knits.
    - *For the Pullover*: French terry, sweatshirt fleece, sweater knits.
  - o Rib Knit Fabric: Can be used for Cuffs, Neckband and Hem Bands, if desired.
    - **NOTE:** If you prefer to use the Main Fabric for your Cuffs and Hem Bands, you may need to cut those pieces longer if they do not have as much stretch as a rib knit.

#### **Pattern Sizing and Format**

This pattern is available in **Unisex Sizes: 0-34**, and with two length options per size.

The pattern is available only in PDF format.

 If you have a PDF version: Treelotta now offers you the convenience of an AO-sized pattern printing service. Find more information here: <a href="https://www.treelotta.com/shop/c/p/AO-Copyshop-Printing-x89075081.htm">https://www.treelotta.com/shop/c/p/AO-Copyshop-Printing-x89075081.htm</a>

### Please complete before first class:

	Students should plan for <u>3-4 hours</u> for pre-work to be completed at home before the class begins. This pre-work includes tracing your pattern for your size, cutting out your
	fabric pattern pieces, gathering your supplies and tools, and testing your sewing
	machine.
	Purchase your pattern and determine your pattern size.
	Choose which View you will be making (e.g., View A/B Tee Shirt or View C/D Pullover, and Shorter or Longer length)
	Read the pattern instructions to get acquainted with the project.
	Launder and press your fabric
	Gather all project supplies as specified in the pattern:
	☐ Fabric(s)
	<ul> <li>Polyester thread that matches your Main Fabric, plus (optionally) a contrasting thread for topstitching.</li> </ul>
	☐ A fun garment label to put on your garment!
	Cut out all pattern pieces and transfer all pattern markings to fabrics.
	☐ We recommend tracing your original pattern for your pattern size onto a Pattern Tracing type of material (e.g., Pellon 830 "Easy Pattern") rather than cutting
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directly into your pattern – especially if you purchased a Paper version of the pattern. Creating this traced copy will allow you to reuse the original pattern for other sizes, or if you find it necessary to grade your pattern between sizes for proper fitting.

☐ If you are using a fabric that looks the same on both sides, be sure to mark a "W" on what you will consider to be the wrong side.

Enrolled students will receive <u>more details</u> about 4 days prior to class which will specify any other prep work to complete before class. Come ready to sew!

### **Sewing Tools & Supplies:**

- Sewing machine & Presser Feet (e.g., Zigzag Foot, Overlock Foot)
  - Bring your own machine or contact Treelotta in advance if you would like to rent one of their machines for the class.
  - Please test your sewing machine before coming to class to make sure it is working order.
  - o Identify the **Stretch Stitch options** on your sewing machine (e.g., the most common is one that looks like a tiny lightning bolt). If you can't find that, then a zigzag stitch can be substituted for the stretch stitch.
  - Check your manual to see if your machine will accommodate a <u>Twin Needle</u> (most zigzag-capable machines will work with a Twin Needle!) If so, if there are any specific guidelines for threading the Twin Needle on your machine. Give it a practice run before class, if possible.
- <u>Size 70</u> or <u>80 sewing machine</u> needle <u>for Stretch/Knit/Jersey Fabrics</u>
  - Size 70 for lighter knits; Size 80 for mid-weight knits
- Optional: Twin Needle for Stretch/Knit/Jersey Fabrics
- Optional: Heat-N-Bond Hem Adhesive (instructor will have some for you to try out)
- Scissors & thread snips
- Pins
- Small ruler (~1" x 6")
- Tailor's chalk or other fabric marker
- Seam ripper
- Optional: A fun garment label!

# **Treelotta Class Policies**

**We are a fragrance-free shop**: As a courtesy to individuals who are sensitive to fragrances, we would ask that you refrain from wearing any perfumes, scented lotions or body sprays, or strong scents in general. Thank you.

Class cancellation: Classes fill up quickly and we often have a waiting list. If you cannot make it to class, please let us know at least three days in advance to receive store credit. Out of consideration for our instructors, cancellations less than three days before class (or no-shows) will be charged full price. If you are experiencing any fever, cough, shortness of breath, or any other flu/Covid-like symptoms please do not come to class. Please contact us to let us know by phone at 303-997-4372.

Classes with registration of fewer than three participants three days prior to class date may be canceled by the instructor. In the event of inclement weather, the instructor will have the discretion to cancel class.

**Classes start on time**. Please arrive 10-15 minutes early to get set up.

**Parking**: Parking is available on the street in front of the shop as well as in our parking lot behind the shop. For after-hours or weekend parking, you may also park in the Malley Recreation Center lot (which is across the alley from the parking lot behind our building). Please do not park in this lot on weekdays from 9-5 as you will likely be ticketed.