

The Bernina Connection Class Materials List

Pattern Alterations for a Better Fit

Garment Maker Series

with Jeannine Heller

Date: October 15 & 29, November 5 & 12, 2026
Thursdays

Time: 6am - 9pm

Tuition: \$95

Pattern: If you want to work on a personal pattern fitting, bring it to the last session.

Bring to Class:

- ☐ PAPER SCISSORS- if you want to duplicate some of the alterations demonstrated in class
- ☐ Pen or pencil for taking notes
- ☐ Measurement tape for taking measurements in first class period
- ☐ #2 HB soft lead pencil for tracing personal pattern, if desired
- ☐ TRACING MEDIUM (Pattern Ease, Pellon 830, or Swedish Tracing paper) and a simple top

NOTE: Each session builds on the last, so to get the full benefit of this class, please plan to attend every session.

First CLASS PERIOD – We will be taking body measurements– so wear/bring leotards or a tank top (close fitting) and leggings or tights and the heel height you will wear with your garments.

Also wear the foundations (bra) that you plan to wear with your finished garments.

If you want a photo of your posture, bring your phone camera.

Last CLASS PERIOD – Bring patterns and/or garments made from those patterns for help with fitting suggestions for a future garment.

Skill Level:

- ☐ Advanced Beginner; Intermediate Sewists and beyond are welcome
- ☐ You **must have** a *good understanding of pattern terms, symbols*, etc., and be able to read and comprehend patterns. You must be able to identify fitting terms.



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- **Registration:** Class fees are due at registration. Kits must be purchased before class. One week's notice is required for refunds or store credit; visiting-teacher classes are non-refundable.
- **Age-specific classes:** To keep classes focused and comfortable for everyone, adult classes are for adults only. Kids' classes are for enrolled children only; parents or guardians may not attend.
- **Machines:** All sewing machine and serger brands are welcome except in BERNINA Machine Mastery classes. Loaner machines available in class for a \$15 rental with advance registration.
- **Classroom courtesy:** Please silence cell phones during class so everyone can focus and enjoy learning. Our classroom temperature may vary, so dressing in layers is recommended.
- **Supplies:** Please label personal tools (rulers, scissors, etc.) to avoid mix-ups.
- **Lunch:** You may bring your lunch (refrigerator available) or join a group order from a local restaurant at your expense.

By the Way: Please arrive early. It is important to have all your materials and your sewing machine set up before class begins. Our teachers make every effort to start on time and we want you to get full benefit of the class experience.

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