

# Tamarack Jacket – 2 sessions

**March 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**10:00 am – 1:30 pm**

## **The following 6 points need to be completed prior to the first class:**

1. Gather all items on supply list.
2. Launder fabric and be ready to cut (wash and dry fabric as you plan to launder your jacket).
3. Please trace the pattern on tracing paper that corresponds to your size.
4. A muslin of your pattern, cut to your size.  
See pattern instructions for your size).  
Increase shoulder seams and side seams to 1" seams allowances.
5. Make your muslin with just the shoulder seams and set-in sleeves, leave the side seams and arm seam open.
6. No need to do pockets or collar for the muslin.

## **What we plan to accomplish in the first 3-hour session:**

Providing you arrive at the 1<sup>st</sup> session with a complete sewn muslin:

1. I will fit each student's muslin and assist you in altering your pattern.
2. Collar
3. Once your pattern has incorporated all adjustments you are ready to cut the fabric and begin to sew.
  - a. Shoulder Seams
  - b. Pockets
  - c. Collar

## **What we plan to accomplish in the second 3-hour session:**

1. Binding jacket
2. Deciding on Buttons, snaps, zipper, etc. (You may not want anything!)

## Tips and tricks:

### 1. Shoulder Seams

Sew and serge the seams. Press the seam allowance to the back of the jacket.

### 2. Collar and Patch Pocket

I will have a template for the **collar and patch pocket** which you are welcome to trace. Will demonstrate how to achieve pointed collar and discuss ideas for attaching the pockets.

### 3. Bias Binding

The bias binding should be ready for the 2<sup>nd</sup> session. Cut 2" bias strips, remove all topstitching so it is a single layer and stitch it together. Bring this with you to the next class along with the jacket, ready to apply the collar and bias binding in the 2<sup>nd</sup> session.

### 4. Seam allowances once pattern has been adjusted:

Side, shoulder and sleeve allowance ½"

Bias binding 3/8"

### 5. Sleeves

The sleeves are symmetrical, so the front and back of the sleeves do not need to be marked. Pin the apex of the sleeve to the center of the shoulder seam. Pin the apex of the sleeve to the center of the shoulder seam. Sew in the sleeves so that the underside of the seams are flat and any easing of the seam is done toward the apex of the sleeve. When easing the excess fabric in, place the side of the seam with the excess fabric on the feed dogs and stretch the top while allowing the presser foot to "gather" the excess fabric to avoid tucks in the sleeves.

### 6. Side Seams and Sleeves

Sew the side seams for jacket and sleeves.

Serge

### 7. Binding

Collar, jacket & sleeves.