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MINI DRESS LESSON

To make this style these are the things you require

Fabric white (1 yard plus).

and any other colour for combination (1 yard)

Fabric type - I am going for duchess

You can use trouser material for it another option is raw silk, linen, cotton fabric as well.

You need zip.

matching thread

brown paper if you not too sure of your cutting skills

My Measurement areas for this mini dress is

(I expect you to use yours)

Across shoulder 16

Neck 8

Sleeve 4

Bust 42

Waist 36

Hip 44

length 35



Measure from your shoulder down

It's the depth of the neck.

If you look at the dress closely you will see that the dress is a little free. this means you will add a little to the measurement. the most biggest part is the hip so I will add to that first. also because the dress has

colour blocks I must factor this into my cutting too.

I can separate the 3 cuts (the white neck area, the middle part with yellow and the white part for the hip area) and then put them together one after the other or I join the fabric from the beginning before I cut out the neck and arm hole area on the dress.

The dress is an A shaped mini dress

Now going back to my measurement I intend adding 2 inch to my bust $42 + 2 = 44$

my hip is 44, I want to add 4 inch to the hip. $44 + 4 = 48$

So new bust is 44 hip is 48. you will notice that I didn't talk about the waist that's because it's not needed for this style. the waist is not fitted. We would add a large pocket to that area.

The length I said is 35. but think I want to add more to that so I have a good proportion. So my new length is 38.

Now it's this new length 38 that I would divide into 3 in such a way that the divided pieces must all have seam allowance to join them back to each other. This way it wouldn't affect my desired length of 38

So first white would be 8 by length + 1.5 for seam

Second yellow would 17 by length + 1.5 for seam

The third white would be 13 by length + 1.5 for seam.

Next step I join all the 3 piece together in readiness to c

Stage one completed wink

In pictures you see how I cut it out on the yellow

while on the lemon I proceeded to join them together.

Now time to cut front and back plus sleeve. cut my front and back block.



Next I fold my fabric in 4. (front block into 2, back block into 2)

Remember the hip is 48 now

To get my 4 folds I will have $48 \div 4 = 12$ + seam allowance.

Fabric still on hold, I Shape out shoulder 8, my neck depth ,4 for the round part 3.5 for the V part of the neck leading to the yellow, that's 7.5 the last half is for seam making it a total of 8 . arm hole 8



sure you relate my instructions to the diagram to get the picture clear.
You also need facing to turn the neck



Here is my work in progress. I have cut out and joined the shoulder together.





This is my yellow project. grin with out the sleeve
Now here is the completed one
And The back side of the outfit too so u see how I joined it.



The pocket is very simple to make.

I simply cut a fabric about 7 inch wide.lenght was 6 inches.i neat the edge that would show on top of the pocket with 1 inch. Now after joining the front and back yellow in the middle, I spread open the side seam and place the pocket on the front side ensuring that it stays in the meddle of the side seam.lastly I place the white Under the yellow also to hold fast the bottom of the pocket.