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24 Simply
Stylish
Projects


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CHEVRON SHRUG

by Caroline Fairbanks-Critchfield



 Chevrons are all the rage, and this little jacket puts them on you! Cute and comfortable, it looks great made with any light- to medium-weight knit fabric that has stripes. A serger is not required for this project.

MEET THE DESIGNER



Read more about Caroline in About the Authors (page 127).

Finished size: varies

Fabric: Baby Hacci knit from Girl Charlee

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

Fabric must be a 58"–60"-wide striped knit with stripes running perpendicular to the selvage. (If you want to make a cute shrug without the chevron effect, striped fabric is not necessary.) We suggest jersey, interlock, or sweater knit.

Choose the size based on your bust measurement.

Bust measurement	Women's size	Fabric needed	Collar strip cutting dimensions
30"–32"	X-Small	1 yard	36.5" × 6.5"
33"–34"	Small	1¼ yards	37.5" × 6.5"
35"–36"	Medium	1¼ yards	38.5" × 6.5"
37"–39"	Large	1¼ yards	39.5" × 6.5"
40"–42½"	X-Large	1½ yards	41" × 6.5"

Additional supplies

- **Ballpoint sewing machine needle**
- **Water- or air-soluble fabric-marking pen**
- **Sew-in or fusible stay tape** (sheer tape used to stabilize and prevent stretching)

FAUX-WRAP PENCIL SKIRT

by Jen Schumann



 This knit skirt has the look of a wrap skirt, giving it that adorable hemline. You will love the comfy yoga waistband. There is no pattern for this skirt—you get to make it to your own measurements and choose the length.

MEET THE DESIGNER



Jen Schumann is a stay/work-at-home mom of three kids. She grew up with an artist father and a musical, crafty mother and luckily inherited some creative genes, which help her stay sane in a never-ending job.

Fabric is Jen's medium of choice, though very infrequently she dabbles in other types of craft. She loves to design, make, and remake clothes—mainly for her daughter and herself.

When she was fifteen she learned how to sew, a skill that came in handy when formals and prom came around. It was so fun to make her own dress just the way she wanted it, and her date got a matching bow tie and vest (whether he wanted to or not)! She thought her creations looked pretty cool, especially the lacy flowered ones.

Jen started a fashion design program in college but ended up graduating in English instead. After all these years, her fashion designing dreams never went away, and so now in a small way, she is reviving them. Jen's blog is *iCandy handmade* (icandy-handmade.com).

Finished size: varies

Fabric: Black and Creme Stripe Double Knit from Girl Charlee

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

- **58"–60"-wide knit fabric:** 1–2 yards (at least 30% stretch, not sheer)

NOTE

You may want to calculate the sizes of your pieces (see Cutting) before you buy your fabric.

Additional supplies

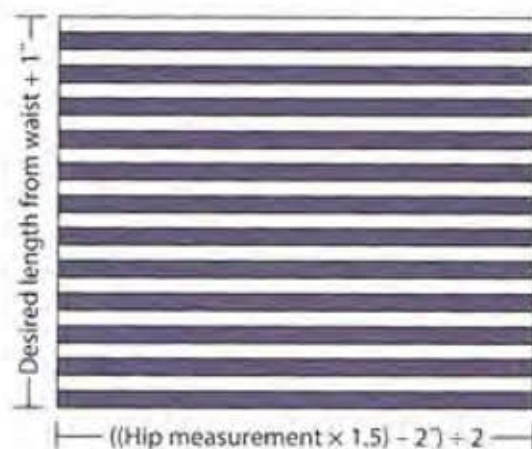
- **Ballpoint sewing machine needle**
- **Double needle** (ballpoint, if possible)

CUTTING

For the skirt panels, cut 2 rectangles of fabric:

For the width of each rectangle (along the fabric stretch), measure your hips in inches. Multiply this number by 1.5 and subtract 2. Then divide by 2.

For the length of the rectangle, use the desired skirt length measured from waist down plus 1" for the hem and seam.



Where to Find It Online

NOTE

Some of these listings are for fabric manufacturers that only sell wholesale. Use their sites to look at fabric collections and to find a retail store that sells their fabrics.

Fabrics

A Child's Dream Come True (felt)
achildsdream.com

Andover Fabrics
andoverfabrics.com

Art Gallery Fabrics
artgalleryfabrics.com

Dear Stella
dearstelladesign.com

Fat Quarter Shop
fatquartershop.com

Girl Charlee (knit fabrics)
girlcharlee.com

Michael Miller Fabrics
michaelmillerfabrics.com

Robert Kaufman Fabrics
robertkaufman.com

The Fabric Fairy (knit fabrics)
thefabricfairy.com

Westminster Fabrics
westminsterfabrics.com

Notions and Findings

BagPurseFrames
etsy.com/shop/bagpurseframes

fast2fuse
ctpub.com

Fire Mountain Gems and Beads
firemountaingems.com

PurseSuppliesRUs
etsy.com/shop/PurseSuppliesRUs

Renaissance Ribbons
retail.renaissanceribbons.com

Tantalizing Stitches
etsy.com/shop/tantalizingstitches

Soft & Stable
byannie.com

Zipit
etsy.com/shop/zipit



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