

Pattern Making for Knits: The T-Shirt Block

with Alexandra Morgan

2 - 6 hour sessions 10 am - 4:30 pm (August 29th and September 5)
\$185 +GST

In this comprehensive knit patternmaking class you will draft your own custom size stretch knit T-shirt block using your personal body measurements. You'll learn how to determine the stretch ratio of your fabric and calculate measurement reductions for the perfect amount of negative ease. You'll balance, check and true your draft as well as adjust the draft for your cup size and learn how to eliminate that common gaping front armhole. We'll design a basic T neckline with a neckband that hugs your neckline perfectly and once your neckline is in place, we'll cut mark and construct a sample for fitting assessment and review.

Outline of Topics:

- Taking Body Measurements
- Determining Stretch Ratio
- Draft Calculations
- Drafting the Bodice
- Checking, Truing and Balancing the Draft
- The Front Armhole Adjustment
- Cup Size Adjustments
- Drafting the Sleeve
- The Basic T Neckline
- Cutting, Marking and Sewing a Test Garment
- Fitting the Test Garment

Supply List

For Drafting and Pattern Work:

Dressmaker's Measuring Tape
Drafting Pencil (0.5 lead)
Eraser
Calculator (it is helpful if it has the % key)
Coloured Pencils: Red, Blue, Green
C-Thru Grid Ruler
Hip Curve
L-Square
Paper Scissors
Scotch Tape

For Sampling Your Draft:

Stretch Knit Fabric of your choice:
(Choose a jersey knit in a solid colour, some Lycra is desirable but not necessary, you'll need approximately 2 meters for one sample)

Chalk Marking Wheel or Marking Pen
Fabric Scissors
Sewing Machine
Machine Needles for Stretch Knit Fabrics
Thread
Stay Tape 1/2" (1.27 cm)
Steam-a-Seam 1/4" (0.6 cm) fusible tape

**Drafting paper will be supplied.*

** A limited number of hip curves and L-square rulers are available for use during the workshop if required.*