

Adult Learning - Course Information Sheet



SCC1DA42 - Dressmaking Intermediate

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Start Date: 13 January 2025
End Date: 24 March 2025
Start Time: 7:00PM
End Time: 9:00PM
Day: Monday
Sessions: 10
Tutor: Mrs Nicola Magee

Course aim

Are you a dressmaker who is fed up with making garments that do not fit properly? This course can start to change that by guiding you through making a bespoke, made-to-measure, and lined straight or A-line skirt. From taking your own measurements, then making your own pattern through to the finished garment. Using this one pattern, you will be shown how to alter and adapt it to fit with personal fitting and design preferences. The original pattern can then be used as a basis for numerous other styles, and you will gain expertise in how to make small changes to produce a variety of skirts. A successfully fitted pattern can also be of use in adapting commercial patterns to suit your specific body requirements.

Course outcomes

- Learn the correct way to take a range of body measurements to ensure accuracy.
- Create a basic block/pattern for either a straight or A-line skirt.
- Make a fitted and adjusted lined skirt in a fabric of your choice.
- Understand how to create other styles using your personal block/pattern.

How will the course be taught?

The course will be taught face to face. Tutor demonstration, 1-1, group work, handouts plus weekly emails.

What do I need to bring / have ready?

Learners will be required to bring a sewing machine and their own dressmaking equipment. As dressmaking patterns are being made, pattern paper will be required but the tutor will guide you through what you need. All the pattern making equipment will be provided but please bring a pen, pencil and notebook with you

Further support and progression

If you need help whilst on a course with us, our Learner Support Advisor is available to discuss your needs. We offer a range of services, subject to eligibility, which can include practical support and/or financial assistance to ensure you feel fully supported while learning with us. For more information contact alsreferrals@northnorthants.gov.uk or call 01536 535809 (answerphone available). Visit our website www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/course-info for further information about our fees and concessions. Your tutor will inform you of further learning opportunities and progression during your course.

Health and Safety / Online Safety

Your tutor will give you information about Health and Safety on the first day. For information on how to keep safe online go to https://safety.lovetoknow.com/Internet_Safety_Adult and <https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/> national awareness campaign. To report suspected scams, or get help and advice about preventing scams call the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 04 05 06.

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