

SEWING
NOTES
FROM *Marta*

M5984



McCall's 5984

I love our new loose Jacket with a deep collar. I had fabric left over from two different trousers, and decided to sew the jacket, so it is two tone. I did add about 4" to the pattern length. I wanted to embroider but ran out of time. I used Sulky #12 to topstitch the front seam and the outside edges. I love this thread and use it for serging as well, I have very few tension issues with it.

McCall's 5891

The pattern was designed for sweats, but I sewed it in Minky Fur!!! I made side seam pockets instead of the shaped patch pockets. I used the blind hem stitch to hem the jacket and also to control the front facings.



M5891



casual chic and the perfect jeans

M5894 The "Perfect Jean" comes just to the waist. I prefer the straight leg version because of my fuller inner thighs. Pati prefers the boot cut view. I used a wonderful embroidery pattern for the back pockets from the Bernina Exotic Rainforest collection. Design #10722 is perfect for the back pockets.



M5860 My vest is our wonderful "Princess Jeans Jacket" without the sleeves, I Love it as a vest and am considering doing it in fleece as well! I added a zipper at the center front instead of buttons. For the embroidery on the back I used another design from Bernina Exotic Rainforest # 10701. For both jeans and vest I used Sulky thread for all of the topstitching. I love Sulky #12 and it hardly causes any tension issues

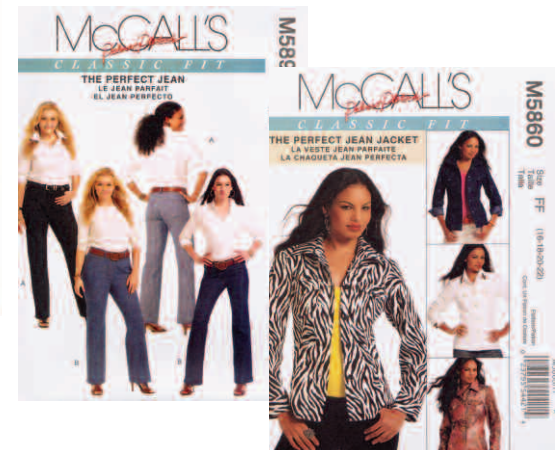


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I have been working on perfecting jeans fit. I am very happy with this pair.



knit dress and a shirtdress turned blouse

M5974



For **McCall's 5974** I used a rayon knit—perfect for the dress. I did a full bust alteration, but when I sewed the dress, the front bodice was not long enough. I had assumed that the weight of the skirt would pull the front down, but it did not do what I wanted, so I unstitched the front pieces and re-sewed new fronts 1" longer under the bust. The tie pattern piece is one size for the pattern, I am a size 14, but my waist is size 22, so I needed to add 5" to the tie pattern piece. My pattern was size 8 - 14, so I was the bigger size in the range.

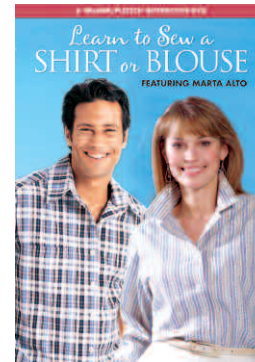


McCall's 5974 wrap or scoop neck dress for knits

McCall's 5847

The shirtdress pattern is wonderful, so I thought why not make it shorter? It is perfect as a blouse!!

For blouse-sewing help check out my DVD:



M5847



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