

ABOUT AKITA

Kickstart your fall sewing by turning that fabric stash into a drawer full of modern blouses. *Akita* is a wardrobe-building staple that you can stitch up in just an hour with less than two yards of fabric.

Sewn up in a solid silk, *Akita* is ideal for the office and cocktails. Or try a bold, nondirectional print for a statement piece. This classic blouse transitions well from the warm days of August to the crisp nights of September. Layer it with a cozy *Oslo* sweater (*Seamwork*, Issue No. 1), and *Akita* will carry you through the fall and winter as well.

SUPPLIES All-purpose polyester thread, four yards of 1/2" bias tape.

MAIN FABRIC Nearly any lightweight fabric, such as silk crepe, silk twill, cotton shirting, lawn, voile, batiste, swiss dot. Optional: lightweight knit fabrics.

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BODY MEASUREMENTS (INCHES)														
BUST	33	34	35	36	37	38 1/2	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54
WAIST	25	26	27	28	29	30 1/2	32	34	36	38	40	42	44	46
HIPS	35	36	37	38	39	40 1/2	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
FABRIC REQUIRED (YARDS)														
main fabric														
45"	1 5/8	1 5/8	1 5/8	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 7/8	1 7/8	1 7/8
60"	1 5/8	1 5/8	1 5/8	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 3/4	1 7/8	1 7/8	1 7/8
FINISHED GARMENT (INCHES)														
BUST*	36	37	38	39	40	41 1/2	43	45	47	49	51	53	55	57
BACK LENGTH**	23 1/4	23 1/2	23 3/4	24	24 1/4	24 1/2	24 3/4	25	25 1/4	25 1/2	25 3/4	26	26 1/4	26 1/2

* Pattern piece is rectangular; waist and hips are the same as the bust measurement, with a slit at the hem to accommodate the hips.

** Back length is measured from the back of your neck to the hem.