



Serger-Made Cardigan With Deb Canham



Supplies – here is a short list of what was used to make this adorable sweater jacket

Foot – pressor foot (comes with machine)

Accessories – Cutting Width Guide

Sweater Knit – soft and stretchy – great knit for sergers; Knits – use a ballpoint or stretch needle

Machine: Baby Lock Serger (with differential feed)

Pattern & Fabrics:

Patterns for Pirates Cocoon Jacket -download -

<https://www.patternsforpirates.com/product/cocoon-bundle/>

So Sew English - <https://sosewenglishfabrics.com/>

TIP – When working with knits lift front of foot (with needles high) and place fabric back towards knife to get more fabric on the DF to get more control

TIP - For heavier knits you can add stabilizer to the shoulder seams to reinforce it.

Sew each of your jacket front shoulder seams to the jacket back

Sew your cuffs together before sewing to the sleeve – this can be done in one step versus two however it's easier with this fabric to work with 2 layers versus 3

If your cuff is shorter than your sleeve – make it fit by stretching – this often happens with a knit.

Sew the other cuff to your sleeve and press both sleeves – press raw edge up towards sleeve

TIP - Pressing is an important part of garment sewing.

Lay your project flat – place sleeves on the armhole –



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Find your sleeve center by folding in half and nick the center with scissors - match your sleeve nick with your shoulder sleeve seam and clip together

Clip or pin together all around your sleeve – stretch to fit as necessary - right side of sleeve to right side of jacket; sew on the sleeve

Repeat for the other sleeve

TIP – keep raw edges up to guide

TIP – use steam a seam (sticky tape) place between cuff section – helps hold the fabric reducing movement.

Sew both sides seams

Bring thread tail around to the front allowing the thread tail to be hidden.

Tip – fold a scrap piece of your fabric to get through 4 layers (aka hump jumper) near the back of your needles and under your foot

Begin sewing both side seams – sewing 4 layers of fabric – sew keeping your edges lined up and the ends are even as well

Sewing on your band, sew your short band to your longer band – clip and put right sides together – sew ends together to form a circle.

Clip your band to your garment

If your band is too short – stretch it to fit

If your band is too long – leave a quarter inch and cut off excess – undo a few of your clips – re sew your bands short seam again, right side to right - press it and reattach to garment to fit

TIP – put the actual garment against the feed dogs – not the band – this stops the stretching of your garment as a single layer of fabric – eliminating ‘jowls’ where garment hangs over the band.

Sew all the way around

TIP – never cut your thread chains that are hanging from your garment – sew over them and your new seam will secure them

Secure and hide your thread chain with a needle.

Thank you for watching!



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