

Supply List

Tailoring @ Portland Fashion Institute

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NOTE: You will receive your pattern the first day. First class starts with preparing your pattern. You will make a muslin fitting shell from your pattern. So bring the muslin and a sewing machine with your sewing tools (see below).

If you are making the jacket for someone else, bring bust/chest measurements to the first class and bring her/him to the second class for a fitting in your muslin shell.

BUY FABRIC*: Wait to buy this until after the first class. If you have fabric, bring it to the first class.

– Buy the amount suggested by the pattern for your size. Choose a wool tweed, wool flannel, wool double-knit, wool blend in solid colors, weaves or prints. Do *not* choose gabardine, corduroy, velvet, velveteen, seersucker, heavy coating, denim or twill, or plaids, diagonals or stripes. These are more difficult and could slow you down or lead to frustration and mistakes. If you must choose such fabrics, talk to your teacher first.

NOTE: If you want to pre-shrink your fabric, ask a dry cleaner to steam it for you. Or steam it yourself: Square out a single layer on a press board. Press using low of steam. See if the edges pull back. If they do then your fabric shrinks. You should steam the whole piece.

BUY INTERFACING*: Wait to buy this until the first class.

– Buy the amount suggested by the pattern. Some areas will use non-fusible such as hair canvas or linen interfacing. Other areas will use a midweight fusible such as ArmoWeft. Also, you can fuse the entire jacket with knit interfacing if the fabric is lightweight or loosely woven. If so, buy six yards of 21”-25” wide FusiKnit or SoSheer.

BUY LINING*: Wait to buy this until the first class. Buy the amount suggested by the pattern. Choose china silk, a polyester (such as Hang Free or Hang Loose) or rayon (such as Bemberg or Ambiance). Do *not* choose acetate (fades and shreds), Coupe de Ville or batiste (drags on your arm) or charmeuse (too expensive).

BUY BUTTONS*: Buy the number and size suggested by the pattern. This typically will be one 7/8” button for a single-breasted jacket and three 7/8” buttons for a double breasted plus 5/8” buttons for the sleeves.

BRING: A sewing machine in good working order and your machine manual and attachments. Don’t forget your buttonhole attachment!

ALSO BUY OR BRING: *(Please label all equipment with your name)*

3-4 yards of Venus muslin*
Thread to match your final fabric*
Size 80/12 machine needles *
Sharps #7 hand sewing needles*
Fine pins with glass heads*
Pin cushion or magnetic tray*
Tape measure*
Shears—one for paper, one for cloth
Pinking shears*
Small scissors or nippers*
Water soluble pen*
Tailor's chalk*
Tracing wheel and tracing paper
Seam ripper*
Seam gauge*
Point turner *
One package ¼" twill tape*
½ yard of non-fusible hair canvas interfacing*
¼ yard linen interfacing*
¼ yard fusible interfacing*
¼ yard of cotton batting*
Beeswax
A pen or pencil
Optional: Buttonhole punch*
¼
* = Available at PFI Supply with your 20% student discount

