

Denim Skirt

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Package contains 2-3/5 yds of denim material, pattern, and sample of ruffle.
Please return the pattern and ruffle sample when finished.

We are using View E of the Simplicity NewLook pattern #6433.
Pre-wash material.

Since we are using the shorter version of E, it would be easier to decide the length (including hem allowance) before making the cut. When deciding length, it is recommended that everyone make the hem length 2 to 4 inches above the knee.

There is only one seam on the skirt so it is easy to check the waist before putting in the zipper. If you tend to lose and gain a pound or two all the time (like me) then you will want to leave a little wiggle room.

NOTE: I didn't like the narrow waistband, so I overlaid it with what was left of the strip used for the ruffle. Make a little extra strip if you want to do this.

Ruffle for Denim Skirt

Once skirt is hemmed, measure around bottom of skirt about 1 inch above hem. Double this measurement and divide by 12. This is how many feet of 2-1/4 inch strips you will need for the ruffle. Double this because strip is 2 sided.

Example: My skirt measured 83 inches around the bottom.

$(83 \times 2) / 12 = 13.8$ feet.

I made **two** 2-1/4 inch strips measuring 14 feet each.

With right sides together, sew long strips together using a 1/4 inch seam. Turn right side out and iron flat. Iron under 1/4 inch on both raw edges and ditch stitch on top to finish off strip.

For every foot of skirt, gather in 2 feet of strip evenly to form ruffle. Pin ruffle to skirt with bottom of ruffle hitting 1 inch above the hem. Sew to skirt using two rows of stitching down the middle of the ruffle.

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