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Handmade Travel Wardrobe Planner

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Planning a Handmade Travel Wardrobe

Traveling can be stressful, especially when it comes to packing. But with a little planning and creativity, we can make packing and dressing for our trips a lot easier and much more enjoyable.

Today, I want to focus on some of the most important aspects of creating a Travel Wardrobe: fabric choice, color palette, and comfort. Using tried and true sewing patterns and silhouettes that work for you, combined with pieces already in your closet, you can create a fun and versatile travel wardrobe for any destination!

Fabric Choice:

When it comes to fabric choice for a travel wardrobe, we want to prioritize durability, washability, and comfort.

Climate-appropriate fabrics like linen and breathable materials are great for hot weather, while merino or wool can provide warmth in winter.

It's also important to consider the weight and packability of the fabric. Lighter fabrics are easier to pack, but heavier fabrics may offer more structure and durability.

To add interest to solid colors, choose fabrics with a soft hand and texture.

Color Palette:

Choosing a curated color palette for a travel wardrobe helps us mix and match our pieces more easily.

- Start with 2-3 neutrals as a base and add 1-2 pops of color.
- When picking colors, consider your favorite colors or seasonal colors.
- Create a Mood Board, either physical or on Pinterest, can help organize your ideas and find your style and colors.
- Look to Makers, or Creative Influencer's who can inspire your look and help you find new style ideas.

You should also check if the fabrics are transparent or opaque and if you need to add a lining or special undergarments. And don't forget about easy-to-pack fabrics that don't wrinkle too much. If needed, you can pack a steamer to keep your clothes looking fresh.

Comfort:

Comfort is key when it comes to a travel wardrobe. Try to choose fabrics and patterns that are comfortable to wear for extended periods of time.

- Simple streamlined styles and tried and true patterns help us achieve a comfortable and chic look.
- Watch the silhouette and choose volume on top or bottom, but not both.
- Color column dressing, where we use one color for 3-4 coordinating pieces, can also be a fantastic way to achieve comfort and style.

Weather:

Next, let's talk about the weather. Consider the time of year you're traveling, as well as the temperatures and humidity. This will determine what types of clothing you'll need to bring.

Activities & Customs:

Then, think about your activities. Make a daily itinerary and consider what you'll be doing each day. If you're touring, you'll want comfortable shoes that can handle a lot of walking. If you have special events like a wedding or formal occasion, make sure you pack something appropriate. And don't forget about fitness or active wear if you plan on working out.

It's also important to research local customs and respect their culture. This may impact what types of clothing you can wear.

Shoes:

For shoes, keep it to 2-4 pairs maximum. You'll want one comfortable and sturdy pair for sightseeing, one special function shoe for fitness or other activities, one fancier shoe for evening or daytime events, and one slipper or slide for in the hotel or rental property. Make sure to choose shoes that take up minimal space. Wear your heaviest pair on the plane.

Lastly, remember to pack light and wash your clothes when you can. Aim to wash your clothes once per week of travel if laundry is available.

My Favorite Sewing Patterns:

PATTERN NAME:

NUMBER:

SIZE:

ADJUSTMENTS:

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

NOTIONS:

INTERFACING:

TRIMS:

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My Fabric Swatches:

Fabric Type:
Fabric Weight:
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Capsule Wardrobes Outfits:

Look #

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Destination:

Dates:

Weather:

Activities:

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Clothes I want to Bring:

Make List:

- 7 tops (Basic Tees, Blouses, Tanks)
- 2-3 bottoms (Long Pant, Cropped, Denim, Shirts or Skirts)
- 1-3 dresses (Formal, Caftan, Maxi, Wrap etc.)
- Lingerie to match outfits- nude/neutral (2-3 bras, 7 underwear, slip)
- Activity Pieces (1-2 Fitness, Swimwear, Evening Wear/Special Event)
- 2-4 Shoes & Socks (Fitness, Touring, Evening, Slipper/Slide)
- Sleepwear (1-2 Pajamas/Loungewear)
- Accessories (Jewelry, Glasses, Sunglasses, Hats, Scarf)
- Layering (Wrap, Jacket, Coat)

Travel Day Outfit:

My Measurements:

height:

sleeve
length:

outseam:

wrist:

inseam:

high bust:

bust:

natural waist:

high hip (7" down):

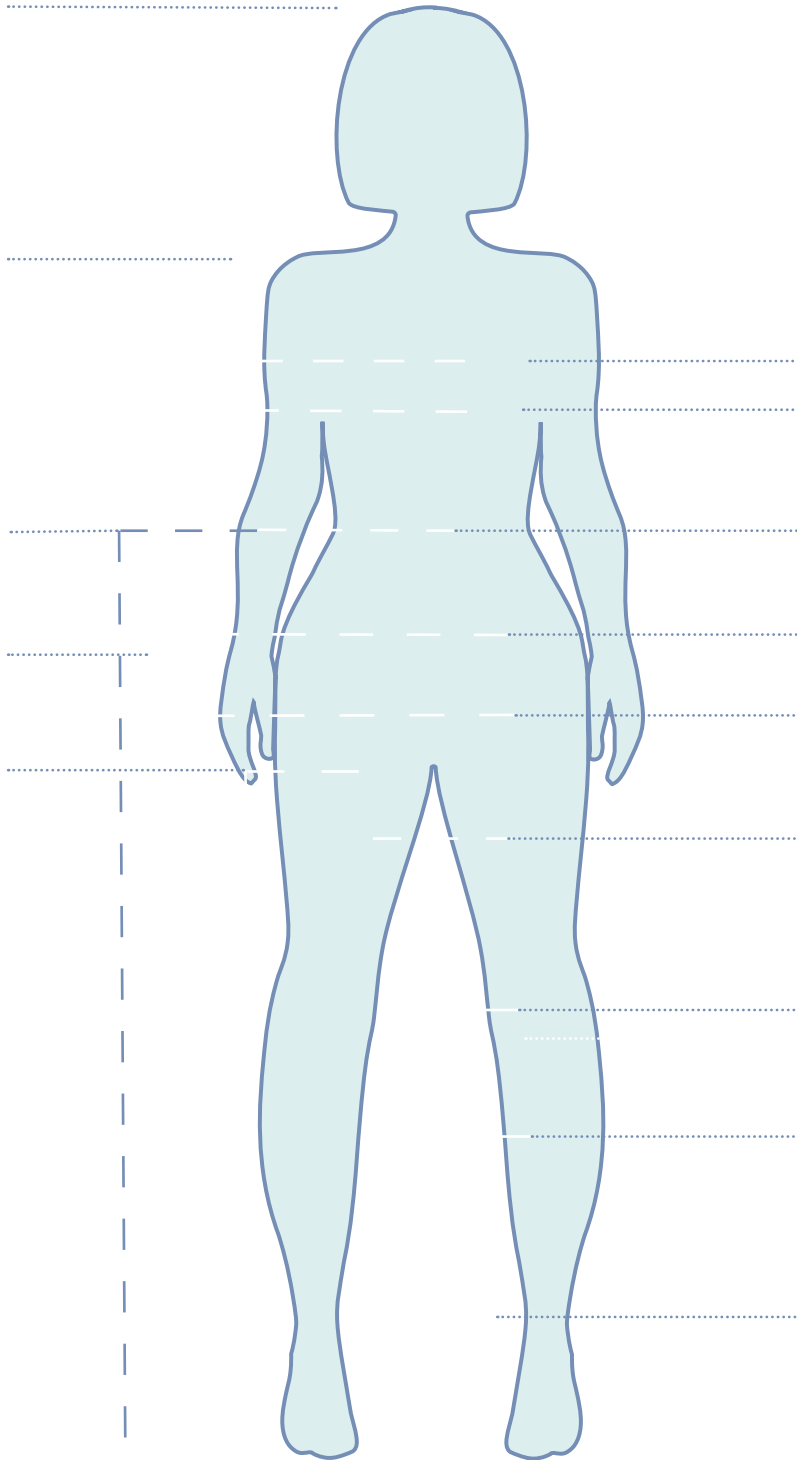
low hip (9" down):

thigh:

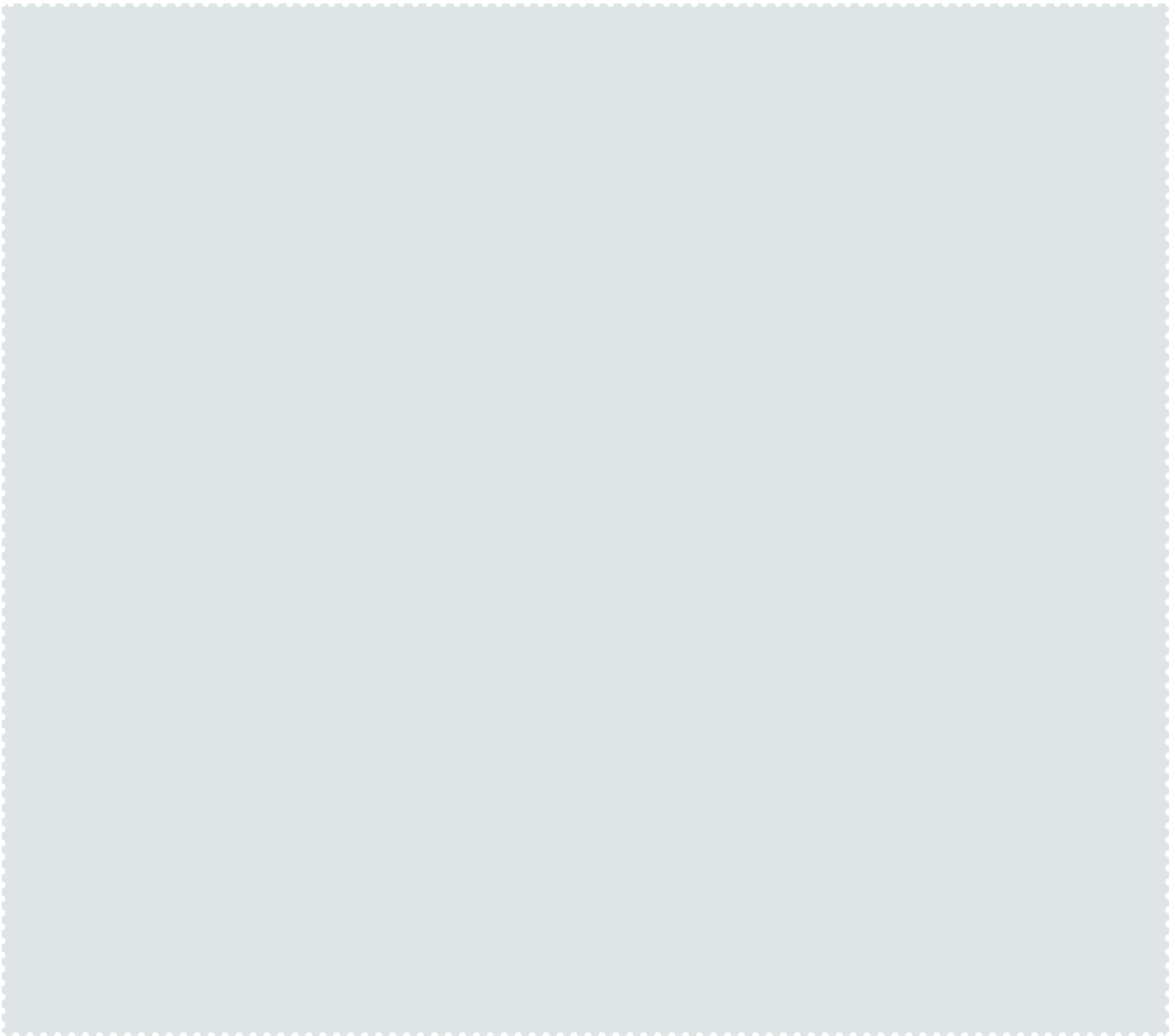
knee:

calf:

ankle:



Extra Notes:



Creating a handmade travel wardrobe can be a fun and rewarding experience. By choosing the right fabrics, colors, and patterns, we can make packing and dressing for our trips a lot easier and more enjoyable.

I hope you find these tips helpful and that you'll be inspired to create your own creative and beautifully made travel wardrobe. You can find more travel and sewing inspiration over on my Blog and my YouTube channel, Sew Pomona. Happy Sewing!