

Free Biarritz Skort Pattern



Pattern Description:

The Biarritz Skort is a free sewing pattern designed to blend the effortless chic of a classic skirt silhouette (viewed from the front) with the liberating comfort and freedom of shorts (viewed from the back).

This versatile garment features a skirt-like overlay, a decorative heavy-duty snap, and a sleek metal zipper nestled discreetly at the side seam.

Recommended Fabric:

- Denim
- Corduroy
- Cotton twill

Pattern Pieces Required:

The pattern consists of six main pieces that require cutting fabric:

- **FRONT SIDE (A):** Cut 2 mirrored.
- **FRONT CENTER (B):** Cut 2 mirrored.

- **BACK (C):** Cut 2 mirrored.
- **FRONT PANEL (D):** Cut 1.
- **FRONT FACING (E):** Cut 1 on FOLD.
- **BACK FACING (F):** Cut 1 on FOLD.

BODY MEASUREMENTS (Chart 1):

SIZE WAIST (Inches) HIPS (Inches)

XS	23 - 24	34 - 35
S	25 - 26	36 - 37
M	27 - 28	38 - 39
L	29 - 31	40 - 42
XL	32 - 35	46 - 46
2XL	36 - 39	47 - 50
3XL	40 - 43	51 - 54
4XL	44 - 47	55 - 58
5XL	48 - 52	60 - 63

APPROXIMATE FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS (Chart 2):

SIZE WAIST (Inches) HIPS (Inches)

XS	26	37
S	28	39
M	30	41
L	33	44
XL	37	48
2XL	41	52

3XL 45 56

4XL 49 60

5XL 54 65

Instructions for Making the Biarritz Skort Pattern:



Cutting the Pattern Pieces

Using the provided pattern pdf, cut the following:

- **Front Side (A):** Cut 2 mirrored
- **Front Center (B):** Cut 2 mirrored
- **Back (C):** Cut 2 mirrored
- **Front Panel (D):** Cut 1
- **Front Facing (E):** Cut 1 on fold
- **Back Facing (F):** Cut 1 on fold

Label each piece to avoid confusion, and mark notches, darts, and zipper placements with tailor's chalk or washable markers.

Assembling the Shorts

- **Step 1: Sew the Front Shorts**

- Join the two **Front Side (A)** pieces to the **Front Center (B)** pieces along the curved seams.
- Press seams open and finish raw edges with a zigzag or serger stitch.

- **Step 2: Sew the Back Shorts**

- With right sides together, stitch the **Back (C)** pieces together at the center back seam.
- Press and finish seams neatly.

- **Step 3: Join Front and Back**

- Align front and back pieces at the side seams and inseams. Stitch together and finish the edges.
- At this point, you should have a basic pair of shorts as the foundation of the skirt.

Constructing the Front Overlay Panel

- **Step 1: Hem the Front Panel (D)**

- Fold the bottom and side raw edges of the panel under by $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, press, then fold again by $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to encase raw edges.
- Stitch close to the fold for a neat hem.

- **Step 2: Attach the Overlay**

- Position the overlay panel over the front shorts, aligning top edges. Pin securely.
- Baste along the top edge to hold the panel in place until the waistband is attached.

Adding the Zipper

- Insert the metal zipper along the left side seam.
- Use a zipper foot to achieve a close, neat finish.
- Ensure the zipper sits flat and aligns with the top edge of the shorts.
- Test the zipper before proceeding to ensure smooth operation.

Constructing and Attaching the Facings

- **Step 1: Prepare Facings**
 - Apply interfacing to **Front Facing (E)** and **Back Facing (F)** to stabilize the waistband.
 - Sew the side seams of the facings together, forming a continuous waistband facing.
- **Step 2: Attach to Skort**
 - With right sides together, pin the facing to the top edge of the skort.
 - Stitch carefully, then understitch along the facing to keep it from rolling outward.
 - Turn facing inside and press for a crisp waistband finish.

Finishing

- **Step 1: Install Snap Closure**
 - Place the decorative heavy-duty snap at the upper corner of the overlay panel.
 - This not only secures the flap but also adds a stylish touch to the skort.
- **Step 2: Hem the Shorts**
 - Fold the bottom edges of the shorts under ½ inch, press, then fold again ½ inch.
 - Stitch neatly around both legs for a clean finish.
- **Step 3: Final Pressing**
 - Give the entire garment a thorough pressing with steam to sharpen seams and hems.
 - Check all raw edges are finished and that the skort feels comfortable to wear.

Fitting and Adjustments

Refer to the **Body Measurement Chart** and **Finished Garment Chart** to verify fit. The skort should sit comfortably at the waist and allow free movement at the hips. If adjustments are needed:

- Take in side seams slightly for a snugger waist.
- Let out seam allowances in the hip area for more room.