

magic seams (reversible)

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Once you master this trick you won't want to make seams any other way! I've used this technique on Anda and Azalea plus many many more...It works on anything sleeveless as long as you have a lining and shoulder straps wider than a few cm. It is quite complicated to explain hence the large number of photos, but I think a beginner could get through it.

Step 1



For this how2 I've used a reduced scale. But the finished thing should look something like this.

Step 2



I have cut out patterned fabric and white lining material as shown

Step 3



Sew shoulder seams of both the fabric and lining right sides facing, iron seams open.

Step 4



Lay open the fabric and place the lining directly on top, right sides facing. Sew completely around the neckline. Trim and clip the inside edges as shown.

Step 5



Push through to turn the neckline the right way around. Iron.

Step 6



Take one layer of fabric between your finger and thumb at the shoulder. Push the lining underneath and flatten out.

Step 7



It should look like this.

Step 8



Pick up both layers of the opposite shoulder seam...

Step 9



...and place them in the open center of the shoulder as shown.

Step 10



While keeping everything carefully in place, pick up the outer armhole...

Step 11



... and bring it right over the top to meet the opposite armhole as shown. Don't panic, it's a little tricky but you can do it!

Step 12



Sew around the armhole and clip edges.

Step 13



Now for the fun part. Put your hand inside, grab and pull!

Step 14



Keep pulling...

Step 15



Check it out, you're halfway there!

Step 16



Repeat steps 6-14 for the remaining shoulder seam.

Step 17



Iron seams.

Step 18



Don't worry, you're almost done! Pick up the bottom edges of the fabric.

Step 19



Pick it right up.

Step 20



Sew straight along fabric and then onto the lining in one go.

Step 21



Repeat for the other side, and it's finished!

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