

10/2010 Karl Lagerfeld's Mini Skirt

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Karl Lagerfeld designed this cute mini pattern for your use! The front folded-up hemline is fun and not so ordinary— try this pattern in a soft fabric with some body like a waffle pique. For more info on bsm patterns see the burda style magazine patterns FAQ [here](#).

Materials

1 1/4 yards (1.4 metres) self. 7/8 yard (.80 metres) 1" wide elastic. 1 8" (20cm.) zipper. 4 fabric covered buttons. 2 large sew-on snaps.

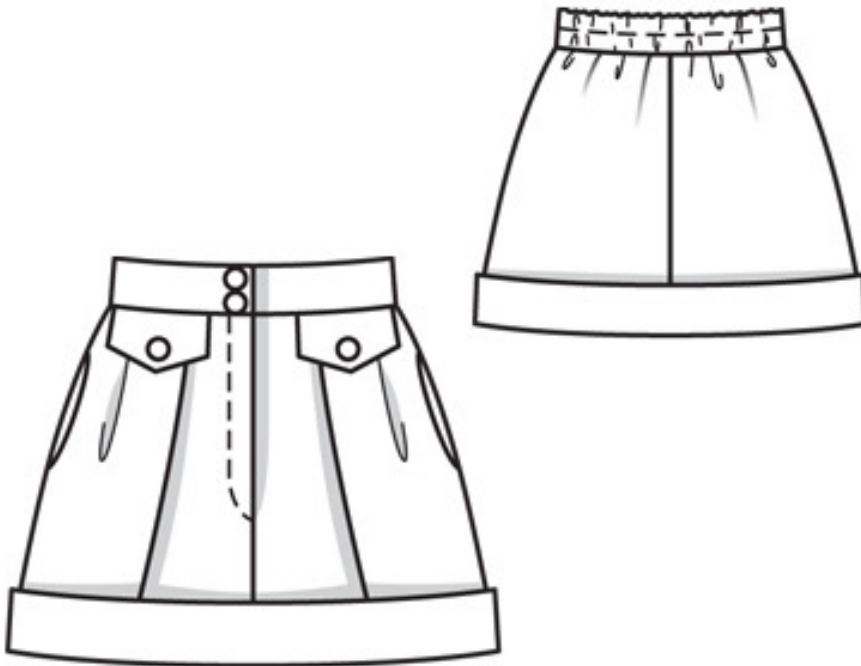
Step 1 — Preparation

Trace the pattern pieces from the pattern sheet. Trace the pocket piece from piece 2 as a separate pattern piece (= front pocket piece). The stitching line at the zip opening is marked for size 34. For sizes 36 — 42, mark the stitching line the same distance from centre front as for size 34.

Seam and hem allowances:

Seams and edges 1.5 cm (5/8 in), no allowance on lower edges of skirt pieces.

Step 2 — Cutting Out



1 front skirt panel 2x
2 back skirt panel with
integrated pocket piece 2x
front pocket piece 2x
3 flap 4x

a) right front waistband piece, 17.5 — 18.5 — 19.5 — 20.5 — 21.5 cm (7 — 7 1/4 — 7 3/4 — 8 1/4 — 8 1/2 ins) long, left front waistband piece with 4 cm (1 5/8 in) underlap, 21.5 — 22.5 — 23.5 — 24.5 — 25.5 cm (8 1/2 — 9 — 9 1/4 — 9 3/4 — 10 ins) long, each 12 cm (4 3/4 ins) wide, finished width 6 cm (2 3/8 ins),
b) back waistband piece, 45 — 47 — 49 — 51 — 53 cm (17 3/4 — 18 1/2 — 19 1/4 — 20 1/4 — 21 ins) long, 12 cm (4 3/4 ins) wide, finished width 6 cm (2 3/8 ins),
c) front turn-up piece, 64.5 — 66.5 — 68.5 — 70.5 — 72.5 cm (25 1/2 — 26 1/8 — 27 — 27 7/8 — 28 5/8 ins) long, back turn-up piece, 53.5 — 55.5 — 57.5 — 59.5 — 61.5 cm (21 1/8 — 22 — 22 3/4 — 23 1/2 — 24 1/4 ins) long, each 17 cm (6 3/4 ins) wide (incl. allowance),
d) left underlap piece, 21 cm (8 3/8 ins) long, 7 cm (3 ins) wide, finished width 3.5 cm (1 1/2 ins).
Interfacing: See pattern layout.

Step 3 — Centre front and back seams

Stitch centre back seam. Stitch centre front seam, leaving slit for zip open. Press seam allowances open.

Step 4 — Pleats and skirt panels

Press pleats in front skirt panels. Unfold skirt panels again. Work from inside to stitch pleats from upper edge to arrow mark. Press pleats in arrow direction and baste to upper edge. Topstitch close to folds, like pin tucks, beginning at lower edge and ending stitching as close to pleat seam as possible.

Step 5 — Zip opening

Press self-facings on edges of opening to inside, along centre front on the right and 5 mm (3/16 in) before centre front on the left. Stitch zip under left edge of opening (underlap), stitching close to teeth of zip. Pin opening closed, matching centres. Stitch loose zip tape to right facing, not catching skirt piece. Baste facing in place. Topstitch opening from upper edges to 3 cm (1 1/4 ins) before the end as marked. Fold underlap piece lengthwise, wrong side facing in, and press. Round off bottom corner. Neaten open long edges together. Lay underlap piece under left edge of opening and pin to facing. Stitch facing to underlap, close to zip joining seam. Lay opening closed again and topstitch to the end, catching underlap.

Step 6 — In-seam pockets and side seams

Pin front pocket pieces right sides together with front skirt pieces and stitch to seam allowance, 2 mm (a scant 1/8 in) from marked seam line. Lay pocket pieces to the side over joining seam and press. Lay front skirt panel right sides together with back skirt panel. Stitch side seams above and below pocket opening edges. Stitch pocket pieces together and press forward. Baste upper edges of pocket pieces to skirt.

Step 7 — Flaps

Stitch each interfaced flap piece to flap piece with no interfacing, right sides together, stitching along outer edges. Turn right side out. Baste flaps to upper edge of front skirt pieces, between markings.

Step 8 — Waistband

Stitch side seams on waistband pieces. Stitch waistband to upper edge of skirt, stitching waistband underlap to underlap of opening edge. Press seam allowances of joining seam and of other long edge of waistband onto waistband. Fold waistband lengthwise, right side facing in. Stitch across front ends. Turn waistband right side out. Sew inside edge of back waistband in place. For the elastic casing, topstitch back waistband along the middle, from side seam to side seam. Pull elastic into waistband casings. Stitch across ends of elastic at side seams for a finished casing length of 28 — 30 — 32 — 34 — 36 cm (11 1/8 — 11 7/8 — 12 3/4 — 13 1/2 — 14 1/4 ins). Sew inside edges of front waistband pieces in place.

Step 9 — Turn-ups

Lay turn-up pieces right sides facing. Stitch ends together 1.5 cm (5/8 in) from ends (side seams). Press seam allowances open. Pin turn-up right sides together with lower edge of skirt and stitch 1 cm (3/8 in) from edge. Fold turn-up down 5.5 cm (2 1/4 ins) above lower edge. Press upper edge of turn-up. Lay turn-up around lower edge of skirt to inside and sew in place. Sew upper edge of turn-up in place loosely by hand, about 1 cm (3/8 in) below pressed fold.

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