

Grain Lines On Sewing Patterns

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This post has been written as a direct request from some <http://www.fashionsewingblog.com> readers who would like to know more about grain lines on sewing patterns. In particular, Iâ€™d like to explain and demonstrate the three basic principles regarding identifying, and reading the grain line markings found on sewing patterns. If you get these simple fashion sewing techniques right from the off, then youâ€™re halfway to creating some great fitting and hanging clothes. So enough of my waffle. Letâ€™s make a start! Basic Fashion Sewing Principles No matter how you fold your fabric (in my case selvage to selvage) your sewing pattern pieces will always be placed according to the fabric grain line. Your sewing pattern pieces will ALL have grain line markings. These indicate how / where the sewing pattern piece is laid according to the fabric grain. Dependent on how you work, I like to start by laying sewing pattern pieces onto the fold of fabric first (if there are any). Do remember to pin your sewing pattern pieces to your fabric and try to place the larger pattern pieces first. Try to start with the sewing pattern pieces that go onto the fold, then move on to the next piece. Leave sufficient space around each sewing pattern piece (1.5cm â‰ˆ 5/8inch on average) then place a couple of pins or weights onto each pattern to secure. Using a tape measure, check that each sewing pattern piece is following the grain line within the fabric. Do this by measuring from the pattern symbol itself to the selvage, repeating the motion on both ends of the marking. And youâ€™re done! I hope this post has helped. Please do let me know.

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