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THREADS

I'm talking threads this month as I had quite a few enquiries about it lately! Mettler, my favorite choice. If you want a well constructed garment don't skimp on the thread and needles you use, as it's well worth the money spent and the effort sewing up the garment.

Mettler Metrosene Plus:

- A 100% polyester core-spun thread. It's an excellent all-purpose sewing thread.
- It's fine enough for delicate fabrics like nylon, silk and rayon.
- Although a fine thread, it's highly resistant to breakage and abrasion – much more so than many other strong threads. This makes it the perfect choice for decorative fabrics and other firm textiles.
- It's colourfast, fade resistant and machine washable and can be ironed
- There is a multitude of colour choice to find just the right shade to suit any fabric.
- Easy to sew any fabric perfectly – cotton, silk, mixtures, synthetics – from elegant silk blouses to tough jeans!

Sewing Needles

- Use needle sizes to match your fabric. The weight of the fabric determines the size of the needle.
- The finer the fabric, the thinner the needle.

Normally, needle sizes range from 70 – 110. The higher the number, the thicker the needle.

- A sharp point needle is used for most sewing.
- The exception is knitted fabrics, where the recommendation is a ballpoint needle or stretch needles, which slips between the stitches without damaging the fabric.
- Make sure that you use sharp needles- blunt needles may damage the fabric. Use an old pair of pantyhose to test the sharpness of your needle: they should not snag when the needle is pulled out.

XMAS SPECIAL

For a limited time only....until **8 December 2006**.....we will have a great special on the Lutterloh System. We are offering you:

- The Basic Lutterloh System including 280 of the latest fashion-styles and pattern-designs of 2003, 2004 & 2005 including the scale tape. (usual price US\$138)
- Both the Tailor and Designer curves in acryl (usual price US\$32) and
- The Ebook (US\$10) consisting of 93 pages of additional notes, tips & sewing instructions (basic & advanced)

All this for only **US\$ 129** plus shipment (usual price US\$180 plus shipment). This amounts to approximately (depending on the exchange rates) €102, £69, CAD152, AUD172 & NZ\$199 plus shipment. Don't miss this opportunity, just click on the [ORDER](#) link and follow the easy steps on our SECURE Website. Remember only up to 8 December 2006.

Supplement # 263 (Winter edition)

The most recent Supplement # 263 (Winter) is now available. **Cape's, Ski Gear, Leggings, PJ's. This is one of those must have supplements. I like almost every pattern in it!**

Skirts:

A four gore skirt with slight flare at bottom short and longer length. A nice bask skirt that's cut on the bias.

Trousers:

Again a good selection of trousers with facings, some with darts pleats all sorts, different lengths and widths of leg shaping. High waisted with darts to shape around the waist. Then good leggings seen quite a lot of those in the fashion mags with lots of layering on the top!

Dresses:

Not many of those but there is a gorgeous wrap blouse with very nice shawl collar, with sleeves, or sleeveless that I'm definitely going to convert into a dress.

A good evening halter neck dress and also a soft ruffled one.

Tops - All sorts:

Interesting V-neck with a pleat coming from the shoulder. Blouses with tucks and also gathered sleeve caps and interesting tucks on sleeve hems.

Jackets:

A good ski outerwear jacket, princess lines in front- hood or collar. Double breasted short jacket with good-sized collar. Princess style blazer in stretch fabric with only one button. Princess style blazer in stretch fabric with shawl collar contrasted trimmings.

Fuller figure:

Jacket and vest for casual outerwear with nice bulky zips and cords in collar and hemline. Revere collar semi fitted jacket for knitted fabric.

Wrap blouse or dress tie with bow.

Four gore skirt for knit fabrics.

Smart/ casual trousers with dart in front, side pocket and double darts in back, comfortable width of trousers.

Then just very comfy PJ's for everybody!

The 40 patterns are available at US\$22 plus shipment. You can also subscribe for a full year and receive 4 supplements of 40 patterns each for US\$66 plus shipment. To order please go to the [ORDER](#) link and follow the instructions on our SECURE website.

*** When we arrived back in New Zealand over the week-end, we discovered that only 33% of our supplement # 263 order has arrived in New Zealand...the rest are still unaccounted for. We have re-ordered, but there will be a 7 days delay on your order (also for subscribers). Sorry about that and thank you for your patience.

ENJOY THE SEWING JOURNEY

USA/Canada News

Can't believe it's December again.... Xmas time the festive season! We just came back from the USA/Canada and it was great, they know how to enjoy any festive or holiday season.

When we got there it was Halloween month... everybody's houses were transformed and so interesting and it seem to me like lots of fun. Most interesting was how the craft ladies really embellished their jackets and handbags with the nicest of bright orange pumpkins. I just fell in love with the whole idea and are busy doing some pumpkins on my shirt... you guessed right....it's bright orange!

Then we got into Thanksgiving, unfortunately we flew back before the actual day but Mike our good friend from Kansas City took us out on a wonderful meal that we will always remember as our Thanksgiving dinner.

Another surprise was how many men we have met that actually sew, to them specifically you need to buy the latest Stitches Magazine (Australian mag - Vol 14 no 7).In there they have made a Denim for men using the Lutterloh Patterns, a great pattern. For all the ladies out there if you want to sew something special for your man for Xmas, this is a great pattern but beware you might be sewing just for him!

Sewing Tip

Being the end of the year I just want to remind you how important it is to measure correctly, in your undies sideways to the mirror.

- Bust is over the shoulder blades square under the arms to the fullest part of the bust in the front. (Men and children through the apex)

- Hips – anything from the waist to the knees whichever is the widest part of your body.

Also very important is to fit your paper pattern, check the fit... is it long enough, enough ease, to much ease, does the style suite your body shape... you will see this in the paper. If unsure, let me know what pattern you're using and we can discuss it via e-mail. I'm at home for a while now.

I'm also planning some new projects for 2007, mainly focusing on design changes. Using the same pattern but changing it to different styles. Guess what I'm doing December, yeah I'm sewing away, what greater pleasure than to sew new projects.

We wish you a wonderful Festive Season and a Happy & Healthy 2007!

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