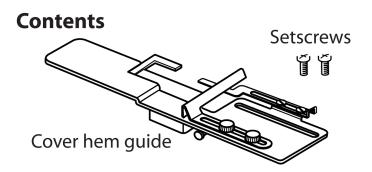
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This guide can be used for 5/8" to 1-3/4" (1.5 to 4.5 cm) wide hems.

Drafting the pants pattern:

Measure the following measurements to size the pants:

- Waist
- diH
- Crotch
- Length to floor from height you wish them to finish at

From these measurements you can alter the pants to suit you.

Fabric width:

Working with your measurements you require the following depending on how much wrap you would like the pants to have:

- Minimum of three quarters of your hip measurement plus 10cm.
- Maximum 2 times your hip measurement.

For example: Hip measurement is 85cm

- The minimum for the width from inner leg seam to inner leg seam would be 73.75cm
- The maximum for the width from inner leg seam to inner leg seam would be 170cm

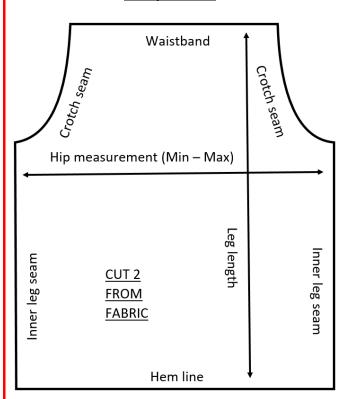
Fabric Length:

 Your finished leg length plus 5cm for hemming (If you prefer a different hem then adjust accordingly.)

Requirements

- Janome ML644D overlocker or similar
- Janome CoverPro machine
- Janome Cover Hem Guide includes instructions
- Fabric for the pants (2 x the length you wish the pants to be)
- Elastic that is half your hip measurement
- 4 spools of overlocking thread, same can be used for the coverstitch machine
- Pins
- Fabric marker
- Printed crotch template
- Janome Sewing machine
- Thread for topstitching & bobbin (optional)
- Ribbon or extra fabric for the ties (if using)
- Buttons and hat elastic (if using)

Guide to follow for measuring and working out fabric requirements



Suggested Fabrics for the pants:

Soft flowing fabrics are perfect for the drape such as rayon, voile, lawn, batiste etc.

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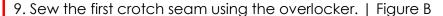
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Sewing Instructions

- 1. Lay out fabric so that from the fold to the edge will fit one leg of your pattern.
- 2. Measure and mark down the length of the leg. (This length will be your leg measurement plus 2.5 cm for hemming at the top and bottom.)
- 3. Cut to create a large rectangle that will become the wide leg.
- 4. Repeat this process to create the second leg.
- 5. Place the template for the crotch or mark your crouch line on the opposite side to the folded fabric and cut. | Figure A
- 6. Repeat for the second leg. (When opened out your fabric will look like a large rectangle with two corners cut out.)
- 7. Lay the two legs right sides together matching the crotch seams on either side and pin.
- 8. Thread the overlocker with the following settings:

Needles: both Stitch length: 2.5

Differential feed: you may need to test this on a scrap of fabric so that the stitching is



- 10. Repeat the second crotch seam with the same process.
- 11. Lay the pants open so that the crotch seam is matching. Your inner leg seam will then match.
- 12. Pin the inner leg seam making sure that the hem line is even and the crotch seam meets.
- 13. Sew around the inner leg seam from one hem line to the other using the overlocker with the same settings as the crotch. | Figure C
- 14. Measure half of your waist measurement and cut the elastic to size.
- 15. Find and mark the centre of your elastic piece. Lay the marking of the elastic from the centre of the crotch seam at the back top and pin either side to hold the elastic in place. | Figure D
- 16. With the overlocker, stitch the elastic to the edge of the top back of the pants for the length of the elastic only. (Note: There is no need to stretch the elastic as this is just inserted to help with shaping when the pants are tied) | Figure E
- 17. Press the pants hem up 2.5cm with one-fold only. Don't overlock this raw edge as the coverstitch machine with the hemming attachment will do this.
- 18. Repeat for the second leg and the waist hem with the same measurement.



Figure A



Figure B



Figure C



Figure D



Figure E



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Sewing Instructions continued:

Attaching the Cover Hem Guide

- 1. Place the cover hem guide on the machine and fix it to the looper cover with the two setscrews supplied. | Figure F
- 2. Use the inner pair of screw holes in the looper cover. | Figure G NOTE: Tighten the setscrews slightly so you can still move the cover hem guide.
- 3. Place the fabric on the guide and under the presser foot. Lower the needle so the left needle scarcely catches the raw edge. Lower the presser foot.
- 4. Insert the sliding guide into the hem by pushing the lever under the cover hem guide. | Figure H

NOTE: This is the white plastic section with the guide pointing from the left.. To release the sliding guide, push the release button under the cover hem guide.

- 5. Loosen the two thumbscrews and move the cloth guide to the left until it touches the hem edge. Tighten the two thumbscrews securely.
- 6. Push the hem smoother to the left to hold the hem with the tip of the smoother. | Figure I
- 7. Sew while guiding the raw edge along the guide step with your left hand.

NOTE: When sewing a hem of a tubular item such as a skirt or pant leg, release the sliding guide by pushing the release button, just before reaching the starting position.

Completing the hem with the guide:

- 19. Set the coverstitch machine up to 2 thread wide coverstitching.
- 20. Place the folded hem into the guide and sew around the hem of the two legs and the waist this will complete the edges. | Figure J
- 21. If you would like to shape the pants to your leg at this point you can topstitch on the outside down the leg leaving enough room for your leg to move.
- 22. You may choose to just tie the pants to finish them otherwise we have listed a few options as alternatives.
 - * Sew ribbon or matching ties to the sides so that when you bring the ties forward the topstitching of the ties to the pants can show as a feature.
 - * Use buttons and elastic hooks on either side and loop the elastic around the button to secure the wrap.



Figure F

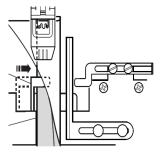


Figure G



Figure H



Figure I



Figure J



Crotch guide pattern

Note: You may need to extend this if you have higher waisted pants or need a different shape.



Enlarged guide for fabric requirement

