

**Skill level 2**  
**Easy Summer Sunwear featuring Garden  
Party Collection Fabrics**

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**Supplies:**

- **Garden Party Collection Fabric**  
For the dress or top, measure bust size and add 1"-2".  
For the skirt, measure hip size and add 1"-2".
- **Optional for balloon skirt: netting**  
The length needed is equal to the length of the fabric at the non-gathered edge after measuring for garment.
- **Basic sewing supplies**

**Directions:**

**Directions for dress and top:**

1. Cut fabric to desired length of garment plus 1/2".
2. Stitch back seam with right sides together using 1/2" seam allowance.
3. For hem, turn under 1/4"; press. Turn under 1/4" again; press & top stitch.

**Optional straps:** using leftover fabric, cut two pieces 2" wide. Fold each in half lengthwise with right sides together and sew 1/4" seam along the length. Turn, press and sew straps in place.

**Directions for a balloon style skirt:**

1. Stitch folded edge of netting 1/2" below the inside of the gather section of the skirt. Stretch the gathered portion so it is flat when stitching.
2. Trim excess netting that extends below the skirt so netting edge and selvage are the same length.
3. Stitch the back seam right sides together using 1/2" seam allowance.
4. Fold bottom of skirt inside with the selvage meeting the stitching from step 1. Try on skirt, if it needs to be shorter, cut off as needed, bringing up the hemline to desired length. Stitch close to first sewing line to attach folded section to skirt.

**Skill Level: Some experience helpful**

**Approximate Crafting Time: 1 hour each**

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