

Cashmerette

SEWING FOR CURVES

TANK TOP PATTERN HACKS

SUPPLIES

- [Cashmerette Springfield Top Pattern](#) (or a similar tank top pattern)
- Tracing paper and pencil
- Ruler and French curve
- For button front/back: 5 buttons and 1 inch wide strip of interfacing

ABOUT CASHMERETTE PATTERNS

- [Cashmerette Patterns](#) celebrates curves, confidence and limitless style. Created by a plus size seamstress, our sewing patterns are made exclusively for sizes 12 - 28 and cup sizes C - H. We believe in changing bodies and mindsets, rather than being told we should change our bodies. We believe the notion that beauty can be measured in numbers is way past its expiration date - and that we are undeniable proof. We design modern, elegant sewing patterns that make you look amazing, just as you are. You deserve a wardrobe that exudes personality and style, and you are just the person to make it.

WANT TO LEARN MORE PATTERN HACKING?

- Our online video workshop ["Pattern Hacking for Curves: 1 Top, 10 Ways"](#) teaches you the secrets of how pattern designers adapt a simple pattern to create lots of different styles. Endlessly altering patterns to fit your curves can be frustrating, but using this technique you only have to make your base pattern fit once – and then every variation you create will fit you! Watch from your own home, as many times as you like - it never expires!

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BUTTON FRONT/BACK HACK

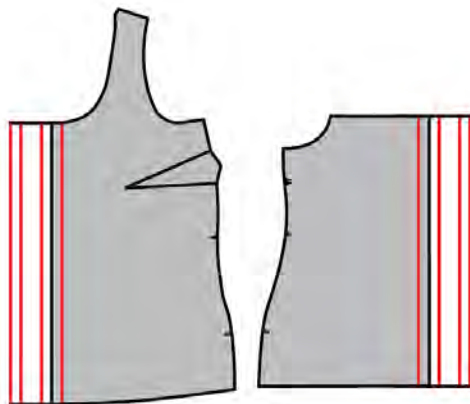
ALTER THE PATTERN PIECES

A) BUTTON FRONT

- On the tank top front piece, draw a line 1/2" either side of the Center Front.
- Draw a line to extend a further 1"
- Draw a final line to extend a further 1/2"

B) BUTTON BACK

- If your tank top doesn't have a yoke, draw a line for the yoke, and separate the back into two pieces, adding seam allowance to both.
- On the bottom back piece, draw a line 1/2" either side of the Center Back.
- Draw a line to extend a further 1"
- Draw a final line to extend a further 1/2"



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BUTTON BACK HACK

SEW BUTTON BACK

- Cut two lower backs and one yoke. Mark pattern lines on the lower backs using chalk.
- Apply a strip of interfacing down the one inch wide marking, on the right side of each piece.
- On each lower back, fold outer 1/2" line to the right side. Fold again on the 1" line.
- Edgastitch both sides of button bands, at around 1/8" from the edge (use an edgestitch foot for the best result!)
- Sew 5 button holes on the right hand side back.
- Sew lower backs to the yoke, overlapping the button bands. Make sure the back with the buttonholes will be the outer layer when worn. Finish seam allowance and press up.
- Mark button placement through buttonholes, then sew buttons to left hand side back.
- Complete construction of the tank top



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BUTTON FRONT HACK

SEW BUTTON FRONT

- Cut two fronts. Mark pattern lines using chalk.
- Apply a strip of interfacing down the one inch wide marking, on the right side of each piece.
- Fold outer 1/2" line to the right side. Fold again on the 1" line.
- Edgastitch both sides of button bands, at around 1/8" from the edge (use an edgestitch foot for the best result!)
- Sew 7 button holes on the right hand side back.
- Mark button placement through buttonholes, then sew buttons to left hand side back.
- Complete construction of the tank top



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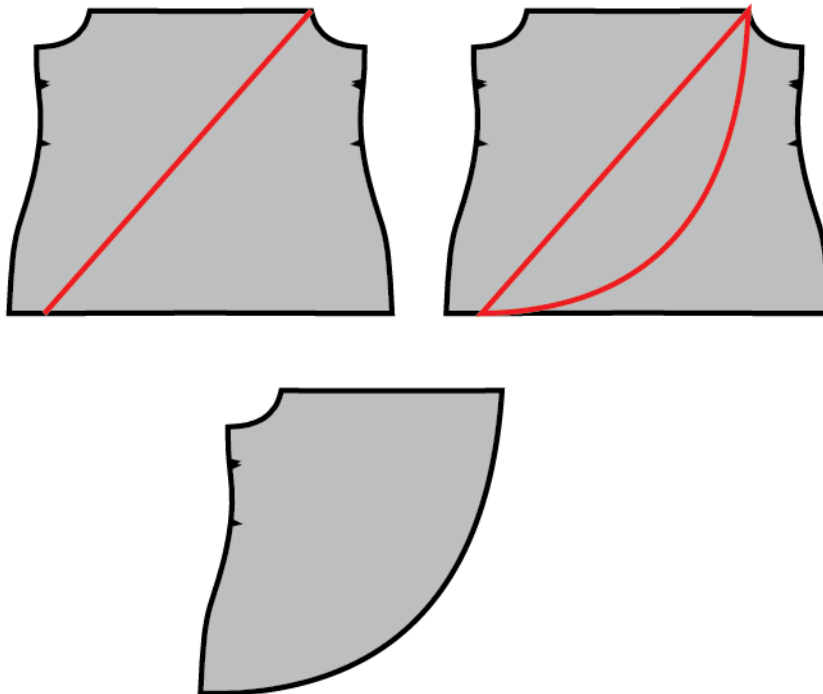
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TULIP BACK HACK

ALTER PATTERN PIECES

- Trace a full lower back (i.e. not on the half)
- Draw a straight line from 3 inches along the hem, to the top corner.
- Use a French curve to transform it to a curve.
- Cut new pattern piece.



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TULIP BACK HACK

SEW TULIP BACK

- Sew front darts
- Sew lower back pieces to front at side seams
- Hem the full back hem, starting at one end of the back curve, going across bottom of front, and then up other back curve.
- Sew yoke to shoulders.
- Fold backs so one is on top of the other, and the tops are even. Baste.
- Sew yoke to lower backs.
- Complete tank by binding neckline and armholes.



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