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She Wears The Pants: Easy Sew-it-Yourself Fashion With An Edgy Urban Style



Synopsis

Sew edgy, urban clothes with this stylish sewing book and add a touch of originality to your wardrobe. More and more women are opting to make their own clothes, but most of the books on the market emphasize girly, feminine designs. *She Wears the Pants* is the first Japanese sewing book (in English) to focus on the increasingly popular "borrowed-from-the-boys" look. Already one of the best-known and reviewed sewing books in Japan, this sporty addition to the sew-it-yourself craze is poised to take the American DIY sewing market by storm. Sometimes women are in the mood for clothes with strong, clean lines and casual sophistication—polish and simplicity without the frills. *She Wears the Pants* is the book for those times. A graduate of the Bunka Fashion Institute, Yuko Takada provides patterns and instructions for making twenty spare and streamlined wardrobe items, including: Versatile tops that can be either casual or dressy; Jackets that are timeless and unique; Dresses and skirts that are straight-line or draped; Three different pants lengths, from culottes to full-length trousers; And much, much more! Patterns can be easily adjusted to suit every body size, and Takada shows readers how to select inexpensive, readily available fabrics and transform them into an elegant new wardrobe. Understated never looked so good!

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"The 20 patterns are fashion forward and likely to please anyone interested in unique, funky clothing" [Recommended for collections where other Japanese sewing books circulate well](#) [Library Journal](#)"She Wears the Pants by Yuko Takada is an adult sewing book with 20 different sewing patterns for the sophisticated dresser and you will not be disappointed. [Like the other Japanese sewing books I've read, the garments are actually really easy to sew and you get a very rewarding garment.](#) [I really liked this book and Yuko Takada's designs are amazing.](#) [Brooklyn Pattern Company](#)"I fell in love with the book because, despite loving dresses and girly stuff, the truth is that as a Mum my wardrobe is literally navy, black and grey + shorts/pants. The draw of this book is that the designer has taken wearable daily clothes and added some really cool designer touches to them." [Japanese Sewing Books blog](#)"Now this is a no brainer. I have had, for a few years now, the Japanese language version, 'She has a mannish style'. This book remains my number one favourite of all my Japanese pattern books." [Top Notch blog](#)"Inside She Wears the Pants, you'll find a sophisticated collection of sewing patterns and instructions for twenty different pieces including versatile tops (dress them up or down), timeless jackets, straight-lined dresses, various length pants (from culottes to full-length trousers), and more." [AllFreeSewing.com blog](#)"I know that many sewers have been longing for this release and you won't be disappointed! There are so many great designs in the 'easy sew-it-Yourself Fashion with an Edgy Urban Style' book." [Groovy Baby and Mama blog](#)"This book does have a range of garments [from mini dresses to t-shirts, shirts and jackets, pants and culottes. Yes, I was incredibly tempted to make that draped mini dress but I've got three draped dresses](#) [my wardrobe needs other types of garments! I really like the range and style of these garments.](#) [Sew Busy Lizzy blog](#)"This wonderful book comes with 20 different designs from casual shirts, pants, and skirts that have an edgy, urban feel. [If you've never tackled a Japanese sewing pattern book, I highly recommend the books from Tuttle Publishing. Don't let the nested patterns scare you, they're easy to trace](#) [Boy, Oh Boy, Oh Boy blog](#)

Yuko Takada is a graduate of the Bunka Fashion Institute. After working for different clothing brands, she founded her own fashion line, TAGE (tage.jp). Her sleek, sporty styles have been exhibited in London and Milan.

I wanted a pattern for the pants on the cover but it was not included. In fact the whole book is not about pants but about what goes with them.

Great book!

I returned the book because I felt the title was misleading. Of the twenty something patterns, there was only one pattern for pants.

I didn't really know what to expect when I received *She Wears the Pants: Easy sew-it-yourself*. The book came with simple designs and patterns on 2 pieces of paper. It's amazing and you can retrace the patterns to fit your own personal size.

I expected pants patterns (the title refers to pants); but the patterns were basic non-descript separates - also as with most Japanese patterns - these are very small sizes - Largest size = 35.5 bust so if you want to make anything larger, you'll have to grade up! Would not recommend!

I agree that this new title translation for English speaking audiences is deceptive. It's not a book about pants! I purchased this book in Japanese from a Japanese bookseller many years ago. The loose English translation I was given was "She has a mannish style." This is MUCH more accurate, because the book really focuses on the menswear for women look or more androgynous styles. It is a good book, and the patterns are fun and creative. I have made the sweater and one of the tops and ALWAYS get compliments on them. I don't read Japanese, but any moderately experienced sewer can make these clothes. Shame on the publisher for a misleading title, but if you are interested in more the "look" and not just pants, this is a fine book.

Edgy Urban patterns another winner from Yuko Takada!

Love the styles. Great urban-feminine looks. The directions are a bit confusing and sparse. But if you have a solid understanding of sewing and can deviate then everything is a great.

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