

Selecting Your Size

General Size Advice

The Bel Skirt is available in our 11-Size range - XXS - 5X. This size range is used for more fitted styles that have a comfortable but not oversized fit, although this sizing is still fairly flexible. Many folks can wear two different sizes comfortably. Make true to size for the fit closest to the one pictured in our product photos, and size up or down to achieve your desired look.

To see the Bel Skirt on models of various sizes, scan the [QR code](#) to the right with your smartphone camera and follow the link.



Body Measurements

IMPERIAL (in)	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	1X	2X	3X	4X	5X
Waist	29½-31½	31½-33½	33½-35½	35½-37¾	37¾-41	41-44	44-47	47-51	51-55	55-59	59½
Hips	32½-34½	34½-36½	36½-38½	38½-40¾	40¾-43¾	43¾-46½	46½-49½	49½-53½	53½-57½	57½-61½	61½-65½

METRIC (cm)	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	1X	2X	3X	4X	5X
Waist	75-80	80-85	85-90	90-96	96-104	104-112	112-119½	119½-129½	129½-139½	139½-150	151½
Hips	82½-87½	87½-92½	92½-98	98-103½	103½-111½	111½-118	118-125½	125½-136	136-146	146-156	156-166½

Start by taking your body measurements. Measure the circumference of your waist and hips by pulling the measuring tape snug but not too tight. Measure directly over bare skin or typical-for-you undergarments. It should fit tightly around your skin but not so tight that it digs in. Try to keep the tape parallel with the floor, and make sure it is not twisted. Compare your measurements to the “body” measurements in the charts above to see what size is recommended for you.

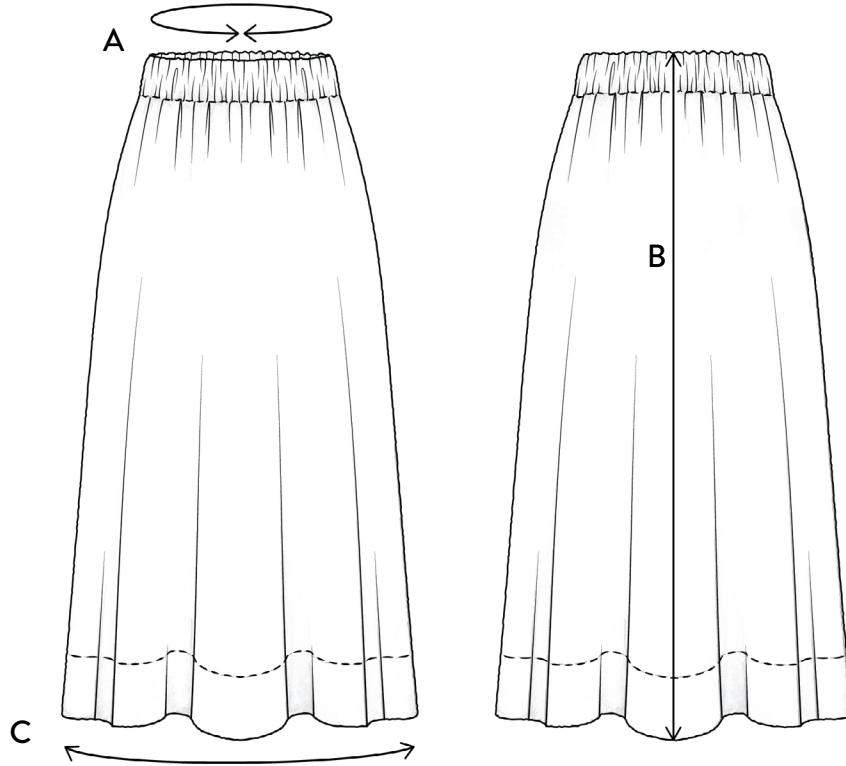
If your measurements fall between sizes or place you in multiple sizes, I recommend choosing the larger size. Altering down is easier than sizing up. For the Bel pattern, the hip measurement is the most important factor. Use the finished garment measurements ([next page](#)) to further aid in your size selection.

Garment Measurements

The garment measurements refer to the finished dimensions of the garment and will of course differ from your body measurements. All garments have ease, and, for a comfortable fit in woven materials, most of our patterns have several inches of positive ease (meaning the finished garment measurements will be several inches larger than your corresponding body measurement).

Every body is different, and no single style or pattern will fit everyone correctly right off the bat. The best way to ensure a good fit is to make a toile or muslin of the pattern to finalize your size selection and make any personal fit adjustments. See the diagram on the next page for more details on how garment measurements are taken.

Garment Measurements, ctd.



A Waist

Measured in the round at the top of the waistband, before the elastic is inserted

B Length

Measured from top of the waistband down to the hem of the skirt

C Sweep

Measured in the round at the hem of the skirt

Finished Garment Measurements

IMPERIAL (in)	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	1X	2X	3X	4X	5X
Waist	42	44	46	48	49½	52¼	51	57¾	60¼	64¾	68
Length	34¼	34¼	34½	35	35	35½	35¼	35¼	35½	35½	35½
Sweep	63	65	67	68¾	70¾	73¾	75	78¾	82	85¾	89

METRIC (cm)	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	1X	2X	3X	4X	5X
Waist	106½	112	117	122	126½	132½	137	146	154½	163½	172½
Length	88½	88½	88½	89	89	89	89½	89½	90	90	90½
Sweep	160	165	170	175	180	186	190½	198½	208½	217	226