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Sewing Instruction for Knit Collection (Articles Levanzo, Ogliastra, LaSchola, Porri)

The following instruction should be respected when sewing into draperies:

1. Insert invisible ribbon / tape

Make sure to insert and re-enforce in top and side hems an invisible tape to hold the fabric firm when pulled.

2. Side hems and panel seams

Side hems should be at least 3 to 5cm (1.2 to 2 inches) wide as the fabric tends to curl in. It is recommendable to re-enforce side hems with a transparent tape. As the delicate part of the curtain when pulled manually, it will prevent that the fabric will hang out. If you sew the curtain of more than one panel, use tape also in the joining seam. We strongly recommend to use pulling rods / bars in case the curtain is operated manually.

3. Bottom Hem

Do not insert weights or weight chain and minimize the hem to 1 cm / 0.4 inch only. There is no need to make large double hems as this only adds on weight when the drapery will hang off the floor.

4. Gliders / Hooks

Please space the gliders and hooks narrower than a usual drapery. All heavy draperies should be sewn with a spacing of about 5cm from one to the other hook /glider. This will prevent the sagging of the curtain.

5. Elongation of Knit fabrics

Please note that with all fabrics the environmental conditions can have an impact on elongation and how the fabric behaves over time. Do not pull or stretch the fabric during cutting and sewing. The below indication of elongation are used purely as reference.

Up to 300cm / 118 inches:	2%
Up to 450cm / 177 inches:	3%
Up to 600cm / 236 inches:	5%

For larger contracts, we recommend to fabricate a test panel.