

"Lace Serger Vest"



Are there fabrics you avoid because you think they are too difficult? In this lace vest project you will learn some new techniques and see why using a Baby Lock serger makes every project easier.

Skill Level: Beginner

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Supplies:

Baby Lock Evolution or Enlighten
Baby Lock Sewing Machine

Vogue pattern #8777 or [Nancy Vest pattern by SewKeysE](#) or similar vest pattern

1 3/8 yards stretch lace fabric

1 Roll Stay tape

4 cones Madeira Premium Aerolock serger thread to match fabric

2 spools of Decorative thread (i.e. Madeira Lana or Cotona) to coordinate with the fabric for the wave stitch.

Instructions:

1. Thread the Baby Lock Evolution with Aerolock thread in the needles and loopers.
2. Set the Evolution with the following settings
 - Stitch length 2.5
 - Stitch width 6.0
 - Stitch selector A
 - Differential feed between N and 1.5 this will vary depending on the stretch of your fabric

Exclusive Patent: Baby Lock has a Fabric Support system to support the stitches at any width. The cutting blade and stitch formers move together.

Exclusive Patent: Baby Lock has Full Featured Differential Feed this will allow you to have a true 2:1 ratio in your fabric gathering and allows you to set the stitch length to the maximum setting of 4 as well at the differential feed at the maximum setting of 2.0 for gathering or anywhere in between so your seams will always lay flat

3. Place the stay tape in the slot of the standard presser foot and stitch all seams.
Tip: When stitching the tape in each seam do not place any tension on the stay tape as it will fight against your differential feed and your seams will pucker. Let it feed in by itself, there is no need to hold it, the foot does all the work.
4. Replace the looper thread with decorative thread following the threading chart for the Baby Lock exclusive wave stitch. Either fuse or place stay tape on the right side of the entire outer edges of the vest.

Exclusive Patent: The Thread Delivery System will allow you to thread in any order and will give you a perfect stitch no matter what thread or

5. Notice the presser foot has small markings on the top. These are raised notch needle position indicators; they align perfectly with each needle. Because you are set for the Exclusive Wave stitch you will follow the farthest right mark on the foot guiding the inside edge of the tape along this mark. Trim away any excess fabric from the outside edge of the vest.

6. This will ensure that each stitch will lay flat and the edge even on single layer fabric will not ripple.
7. Place seam sealant on the starting corner or weave the thread tail back into the stitches to hold in place. If using a seal sealant place on thread tail, let it dry, and then trim close to fabric edge. If you trim too soon the thread tail will unravel. Be patient it is worth the wait.

You will be the hit of the party and it took so little time to do when you know the secrets.

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