

# “WHISPER” CAFTAN



# FABRIC REQUIREMENTS



WB6696 Cappuccino  
Miriam  
1 3/8 yards



PC6695 Cappuccino  
Melanie  
1/2 yard



“Whisper” Caftan by Marinda Stewart

Size: Missy/Woman’s

Skill Level: Confident Beginner

Note: Use ½” seam allowance throughout

Fabrics	Yardage	Cutting
108” WB6696 Cappuccino Miriam	1 3/8 yards	(1) 25” x W.O.F. (2) 28” x 20”
PC6695 Cappuccino Melanie	1/2 yard	(1) facing (see pattern) (2) 25” x 3 3/4” hem bands (2) 28” x 3 3/4” sleeve bands

ALSO NEEDED: Acrylic ruler, rotary cutter, mat, scissors, straight pins, threads to match, and iron-on interfacing (neck facing) dressmaker’s carbon paper.

Directions: (for Missy size- 48” in circumference)

1. Fold WB6696 25” x W.O.F. piece in half vertically and horizontally. Mark intersection where folds meet. Trim selvage edges of fabric from the front and back of the garment. Set aside.
  2. Cut out one neckline facing from PC6695 and the iron-on interfacing.
  3. Following manufacturer’s directions iron interfacing to the wrong side of PC6695. Mark the center of the facing fabric (“X” – See Pattern). Transfer cutting line from the neck facing pattern to the wrong side of the facing using dressmaker’s carbon paper.
  4. Place the neck facing right side down on top of the wrong side of WB6696. Align the center marks (X) on each piece to properly place the neckline. Pin in place.
  5. Stitch neckline edge as marked on the facing pattern, using ½” seam allowance. Taper seams as shown on the pattern on each side of the front neckline opening. Pivot at the point in the front. Trim seams, clip corners and curves. Turn facing to the right side of the garment. Press.
  6. Turn under a scant 1/4” seam around the facing piece. Topstitch in place as close to fold as possible.
- OPTIONAL (but recommended) using a contrast decorative thread and a decorative sewing machine stitch, stitch around the neckline edge as shown.
7. For the sleeves – turn under 1/4” seam on each side of one PC6695 28” x 3 3/4” piece. Place strip right sides up on the right side of one WB6696 28” x 20” piece 7” from the bottom edge. Topstitch in place on both edges. Add decorative stitching as in step #6 if desired. Make two.
  8. To place sleeves – fold sleeve in half vertically. Mark center top. Fold garment body in half horizontally mark each side at the fold. Align the mark on the sleeve with the mark on the body. With

right sides together, pin sleeve in place (14" on each side of the center mark). Sew in place beginning 1/2" in and ending 1/2" from the opposite side of the sleeve.

9. With right sides together. Sew the side seams of the garment from the sleeve underarm to within 15" of the hem. Back stitch to secure the seam.

10. Repeat step #7 using PC6695 25" x 3 3/4" pieces. Top stitch each piece to the garment 10" from the bottom edge of the front and back. Add decorative stitching to each edge if desired.

NOTE: if extra length is desired cut the garment 10 1/2" from the hem and sew the 25" x 3 3/4" piece to each side using 1/4" seam allowance. This adds 3 1/4" in length to the garment.

11. For the side slits turn under 1/4". Press. Turn under another 1/4" Top stitch folded edge in place. Bar tack the slit at the top to reinforce the opening.

12. For the sleeves – turn under a scant 1/4". Press. Hem to the desired length. Two inches was allowed in the measurements.

13. Hem the finished garment to the desired length or turn up 1/4". Press. Turn up another 1/4" and top stitch in place to finish.

#### **FINISHED MEASUREMENTS:**

MISSY = 48" in circumference and 52"/53" in length.

WOMENS = Increase yardage to 1 1/2 yards. Cut garment body 29" x W.O.F. = 56" in circumference.

If a larger circumference is needed adjust measurements according to hip measurement plus 3".

Note: Print on 11"x17" sized paper

