

Materials:

- Knit fitted tank top or tee shirt
- Approx. ¹/₂ yard fabric (depending on the size)
- Matching thread

Tutorial:



1. Lay out an existing dress that has a waist seam. Lay out your tank top next to the dress, matching shoulders.





2. Using the dress as a guide, cut the bottom of your tank top off 3" below the waist line.





- 3. Lay out the dress again (or one you like the length of) and lay your tank on top of it, matching shoulders. Measure from the bottom of your tank to the bottom of the dress to find out how long to cut your skirt piece. Add 2" for seam and hem allowances.
- 4. Cut or tear a rectangle of fabric for your skirt. Make the skirt rectangle the width of the fabric and as long as the measurement you came up with in step 2.



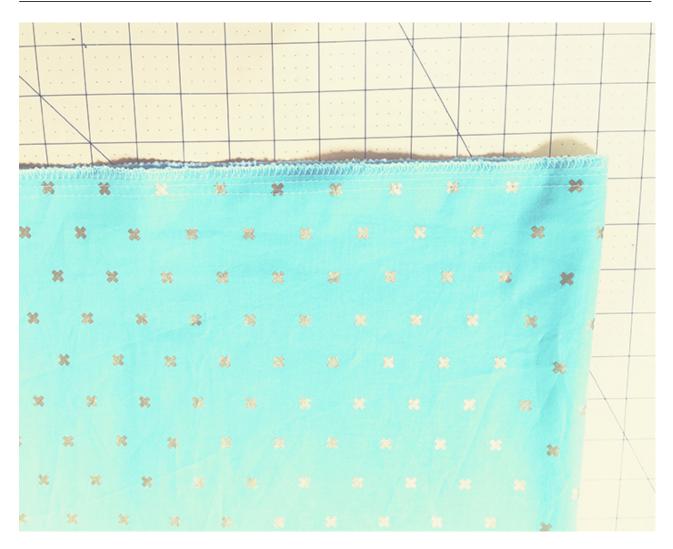






5. With right sides together (RST) fold skirt fabric in half lengthwise. Stich sides together and press selvages open or finish seam using a serger or zig zag stitch.





- 5. Finish top raw edge of skirt piece with serger or zig zag seam.
- 6. Right under your finished top edge of skirt piece, sew 2 rows of basting stitches for gathering.





7. Mark your skirt piece into quarters. Use pins or chalk.





8. Pull threads to gather.





- 9. Mark the bottom edge of your tank top into quarters.
- 10. With your tank right side out, slide into wrong side out skirt. Match raw edge of top to gathered edge of skirt and pin quarter marks together.





- 11. Distribute gathers evenly around the top and pin.
- 12. Stitch skirt to tank top, using a zig zag stitch or serger. Place the dress on the machine with the gathers on top. Make sure to lay the tank top flat underneath so you don't get puckers.
- 13. Pull out any visible basting stitches and trim threads.

14. Fold bottom hem of skirt under $\frac{1}{2}$ " and press. Turn under another 1" and press again. Stitch hem.

**That's it! You are done. This is an easy project that can be completed in a couple of hours!

