

Look who's sewing with BERNINA...

Linda Lee

Linda Lee's career straddles two industries – interior design and fashion and sewing, both of which became lifelong pursuits as a result of her experiences at Kansas State's College of Human Ecology in the late sixties. As a licensed interior designer and member of ASID since 1974, she designs for both residential and commercial clients in Topeka, Kansas. As a fashion enthusiast, she owns *The Sewing Workshop Pattern Collection*, a group of patterns for distinctive garments using innovative sewing techniques.



Since late 2008, Linda is the creative director of *Project Sewing Workshop*, a partnership with BERNINA designed to support garment sewing through the marketing of patterns and fabrics in kit form and offering independent sewing retailers the opportunity to introduce designer fabrics and garment-sewing classes in their stores. In addition, you'll find Linda conducting workshops at various venues throughout the country and presenting educational webinars through BERNINA USA. Contact Linda at Linda@sewingworkshop.com.

Linda's Favorite BERNINA Features...

The Perfect Stitch!

I have been a BERNINA "baby" since 1972 when I bought my first 830. I have tried a few other brands, but there is no question that my BERNINAS (always the top of the line) have served me well - the perfect stitch, never gives up, and sews through anything that I hand it. I can't live without my edgestitch, invisible, patchwork and walking feet.

*Valencia Jacket & Pants
Mimosa Top*

Project Sewing Workshop Kits

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Noted Author...

Linda writes for several magazines including *Threads*, *Sew News*, *Stitch*, *Notions* and *Sew Simple*. She has written fourteen books. *Sew Sensational Pillows* won the Independent Book Award in the Craft and Hobby Category and *Sew Easy* won Honorable mention by the Independent Publisher Book Awards for Most Original Design in their "Ten Outstanding Books of the Year" awards. Linda travels the country teaching fine sewing techniques and the art of combining beautiful fabrics and distinctive design in garment and home decorating creations.

Designer's Challenge...

I have had the opportunity to make the inaugural gowns for two female Kansas governors, Joan Finney and Kathleen Sebelius. The first of two gowns for Kathleen was a remake of a Geoffrey Beene custom-made dress commissioned by her mother 35 years ago to wear to Kathleen's father's inaugural ball as the new governor of the state of Ohio. Kathleen is larger than her mother and the silk faille fabric was brittle and delicate. To find extra fabric required disassembling the gown and coat and completely rebuilding it. I used and ruined eight different thimbles in the process. My middle finger will never be the same.



Trio T-shirt, Top & Pants
Project Sewing Workshop Kits

Linda's Words of Advice...

My advice to the beginning sewer is to use the best fabric you can afford, read everything you can get your hands on, take classes forever, make a lot of mistakes, and own several good rippers. Perseverance is everything.

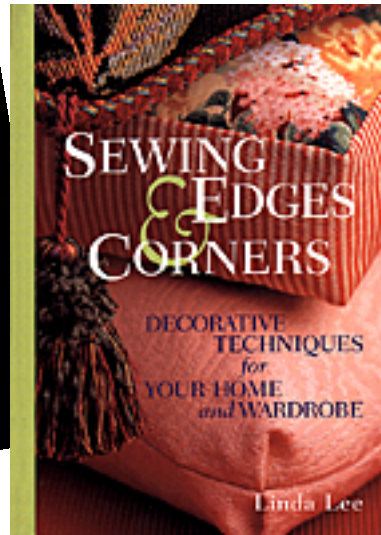


Center:
Lotus Skirt with Mimosa Top
Project Sewing Workshop Kits

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Look for these books by Linda Lee...

Vogue & Butterick's Designer Sewing Techniques - Simon & Schuster
Sewing Beautiful Pillows - Sterling Publishing
Scarves to Make - Taunton Press
Sewing Stylish Home Projects - Taunton Press
Sewing Edges and Corners - Taunton Press
Sew Sensational: Pillows - Soho Publishing
Sew Easy - Soho Publishing
Sew Easy Scarves - Soho Publishing
Sew Easy Bags - Soho Publishing
Designer Home Sewing - Quarry
Decorator's Math - Sterling Publishing
Mastering Miters - self published

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