

Sweatshirt to Jacket

I started working with sweatshirt several years ago and was dissatisfied that they still looked like a sweatshirt. I changed my approach and I began to look at the sweatshirt as my basic jacket design pattern. The design is a boxy jacket with no fitting required. Since then, the sweatshirt is my jacket pattern that I can make look casual or using satins, shimmering fabrics and trims. It can be short or made longer if desired and the finished jacket can be something you can wear to any special event.

I do not like to pin patterns to fabric and cut all separate pieces and I am not like to fit or alter patterns. My sweatshirt enables me to adhere to my belief in the simplicity of design with no fitting worries. I eliminate the ribbing, measure for 2 center front pieces and 2 sleeves and the back. Five pallet areas to apply fabrics, trims, fabric manipulation and beads to my heart's desire. I really like making the sweatshirt disappear in the design and workmanship. I also like to share these ideas with others.