

# Welcome

to issue 108 of  
*Love Sewing!*

**H**ello! I am SEW excited to bring my first issue as Editor to you! Much of my sewing knowledge and inspiration has come

from reading *Love Sewing* over the years, so it's brilliant to now be bringing you the magazine that helped me so much. I can't wait to share lots more inspiring projects, fascinating reads and loads of sewing know-how from industry experts with you.

What a great month to start my role – June is the month for casting cooler weather aside and for finally being able to get our wardrobe summer-ready. With sunny days just around the corner, we can enjoy putting our summer sewing plans into action!

What could be a better pattern for kick-starting our summer sewing than this month's superb Vogue dress pattern? Vg237 is a dream of an easy breezy summer dress – loose-fitting with a gorgeous gathered back panel feature;



## Meet the TEAM



*Michelle*

EDITOR

Michelle loves dressmaking, fashion history and celebrating fabulous makers! See what she's sewing next on her Instagram: [stitchywhitney](#)



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When not spending time with his family, Ian is enthusiastic about great design and loves getting creative with the team. Check out more of his arty work at [icdartwork.etsy.com](http://icdartwork.etsy.com)

its pull-over style makes it the perfect dress to throw on in a hurry as you head out into the sunshine! Turn to page 18 to see how our reader reviewer Ashley used appliqué to put her personal stamp on her stunning version.

If you're looking for separates, Vg302 is a brilliant pattern for sewing trousers that you'll wear and wear! The cropped version is ideal for this time of year, whilst the longer length option will provide you with the perfect pair of trousers for all year round. You can also hack the pattern to make the faux jumpsuit of dreams using Ruth Brown's clever pattern hack on page 44.

Our indie pattern designers treat us to some gorgeous summer staples. Swish your way through summer with Crafty Sew & So's dreamy maxi skirt on page 60, and sew a stunning summer showstopper with Ayisha Davis's maxi dress on page 30. I honestly don't know which to sew first!

All this plus the expert advice and inspiration you need to take your sewing to the next level with our industry experts Claire-Louise Hardie, Amy Scarr, Alison Smith MBE and Elisalex. We are also delighted to bring you an interview with *The Great British Sewing Bee* contestant Mitch. The show is in full swing, and we are loving it!

As always, write in with your makes and comments to [letters@lovesewingmag.co.uk](mailto:letters@lovesewingmag.co.uk), or tag us on Instagram at [lovesewingmag](#). We love hearing from you!

Until then,

*Happy sewing!*  
*Michelle*



*Pattern hack your way to a dream faux jumpsuit on page 44*



*Sew a pretty summer maxi skirt on page 60*