

Welcome

to issue 109 of
Love Sewing!

Summer is finally here! The warmth and sunshine make me feel so happy and uplifted – I hope you feel it too. We're celebrating the warmer weather with two fantastic cover patterns for you in this issue. The first, Butterick 6728, is a stunning flutter sleeve dress – for a pretty everyday look, go for the midi length, or go all out for special summer occasions with the elegant maxi version. We're ready for weddings, garden parties and any excuse to sew this beautiful dress. See reader Emma's gorgeous gingham version on page 17.

*Stay cool in style
on page 14*

If you're after useful wardrobe basics, look no further than Threadcount 2113 – a simple but stylish V-neck top with three great sleeve options to choose from. This easy-to-sew pattern will have you whipping through your fabric stash in no time, providing you with a wardrobe full of versatile tops for day or night.

*Sew a pretty wardrobe
staple on page 19*



Meet the TEAM



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As always, our indie designers are here to offer yet more inspiration and sewing joy. The team at Crafty Sew & So has created the perfect quick-make beach dress on page 54. Julia Claridge of Bobbins and Buttons has spoilt us with two great summer sews; draft your own contemporary wrap over skirt on page 69 and get sunshine ready with a terrific tie-strap sun dress on page 62. We're delighted to have Juliet Uzor's fabulous *Sewing Bee* jumpsuit on page 26.

All this, plus we have some superb home and accessory projects, great reads about sewing with kids, designer David Moorish and *The Great British Sewing Bee*, and our panel of industry experts delivering the usual hearty dose of advice and inspiration. Don't miss Elisalex's new Dressmaking Dilemmas column, Alison Smith's guide to trouser welt pockets and Claire Louise Hardie's tips on adding ease.

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

Until then,

*Happy sewing!
Michelle*