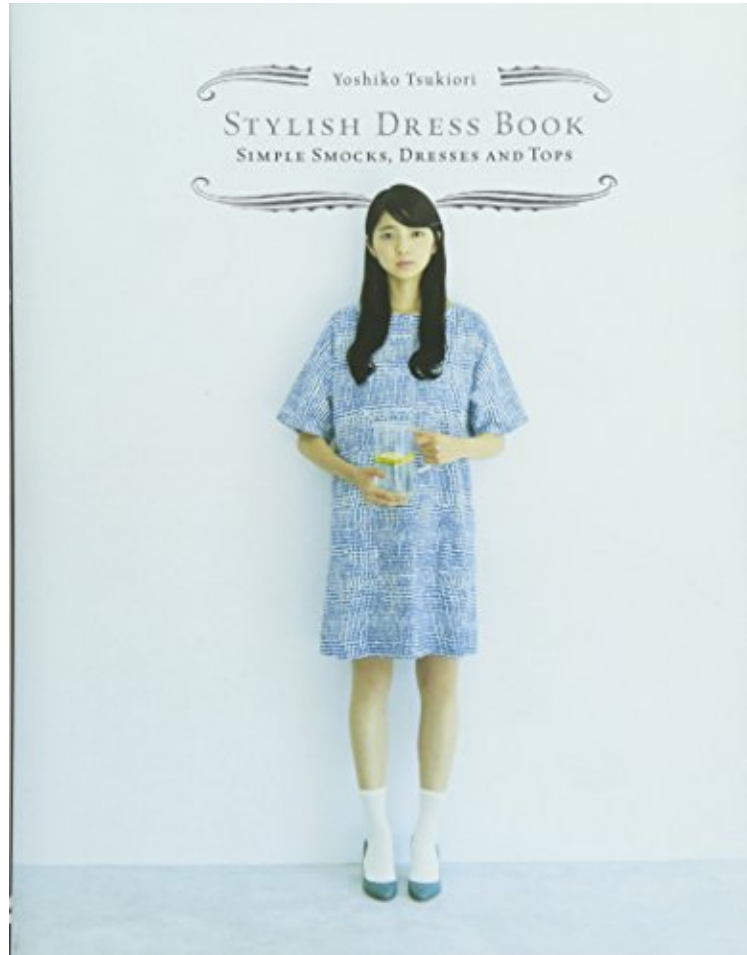


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40 of 42 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful!By M.C-S.Full disclosure-I lived in Japan for the last two years and bought a ton of Japanese sewing books. While I cannot "read" them, I am able to figure out the patterns and sewing with the graphics, sequence, and numbers.Sometimes I went to my local Okinawan sewing store and the ladies there read it for me, and helped me with interfacings and such.I absolutely LOVE this book. It makes Shape Shape 2: Sewing for Minimalist Style pale. The patterns are simple, yet so very versatile and the photography is as usualy great. Japanese sewing books are, at least in my opinion, a work of art.If you are looking to re-create the typical

simplistic Japanese style, this is the book to get. I also have *Feminine Wardrobe: Town, Party, Resort* but it is rather boring compared to this one. I do acknowledge that it might just be me, but I want to sew almost every single piece in this book. Other reviewers have commented on sizing and number of patterns, but let me just tell you that the majority of pieces were made with Liberty of London fabric, and they simply look gorgeous. As the title states, it is smocks, dresses and tops (tunics and slips). The graphics are just like the Japanese sewing books put them—they show the sequence of assembly and clarify steps along the way. They are clear, precise enough to understand and wonderfully simple. Edit 02/05/2014 I am still in love with the book. However, I wanted to give you my opinion on the other options from Yoshiko Tsukiori. The hot runner up to this book is *Stylish Dress Book: Wear with Freedom* and my verdict is still out which one I like better. They are both very similar, but different. I find the graphics are actually better and simpler in the *Wear with Freedom* ones, but that might be because the dresses are simpler in construction. But that's my opinion, somebody else might differ on it. The other books are *Happy Homemade: Sew Chic: 20 Simple Everyday Designs* and while it has a skirt, sarouel pants and bermudas in it...it isn't nearly as visually appealing as the previous two books. Except for the sarouel pants nothings has really made me go "ohhhh! I have to make this" in this book. Again, personal preference. And the last one is *Stylish Dress Book: Clothing for Everyday Wear* and I don't particularly like it either. It's certainly not the lack of liberty prints, because Yoshiko seems to love them—and rightfully so! Not sure what it is, but the patterns seem kind of bland. Again, personal preference and I highly recommend you use the look inside function to get an idea of whether you'll like the book or not. I love Yoshiko Tsukiori and I am so happy I can reproduce living in Japan through her patterns! 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Simple sewing book, perfect for beginners. By Nonadidi21 Perfect sewing book for beginners! Easy and simple designs which I think are not for everyone (all designs are loose slouchy type), but I love it. The instructions are easy to follow, the sizing fits my EU38 size but I made one dress for my EU40 sized sister and the result is great as well. Recommended! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent selection of beautiful, wearable designs. By e.b. I can't wait to make everything in this book! Usually pattern books a few good ones that you buy the book for, and a few that don't seem quite as well thought out. Every single pattern in this book is lovely, functional, and wearable. The photography is beautiful as well. This is definitely a book I will keep coming back to for many years.

Stylish Dress Book features an A to Z of cool tops and tunic dresses that you can wear anywhere. Using simple shapes and individual details, the book shows you how to craft a stylish collection of garments to your own taste. For anyone who knows the frustration of going to the mall and finding racks of identikit clothes in cheap fabrics, this book will offer a fabulous home made alternative. As every sewist knows, DIY fashion is the only way to be stylish.

"For experienced sewists who'd like to try some of the popular patterns coming out of Japan, this book is a good introduction. [...] Notably, however, more directions than usual are provided, and the size range is much greater than typically given, going up to size 16. Using Japanese-origin books as crafting manuals, even when well translated, is always a bit of an adventure; this book is a good place to start if so inclined."--"Publishers Weekly" About the Author Yoshiko Tsukiori is a graduate of Joshi Bijutsu College. After working in apparel companies, Yoshiko became an independent freelance sewing designer. She creates a diverse range of clothing such as children's and babies' clothes, and women's designer garments.