

Introducing . . . a series of articles dealing with handwoven garmentsloom shaped and otherwise-written by guest columnists. Each column will focus on a particular aspect of a woven garment.

MEASUREMENTS

Knowing how to measure yourself properly is vital to the success of every handwoven garment you make. Good fit and your satisfaction with what comes from the loom go hand in

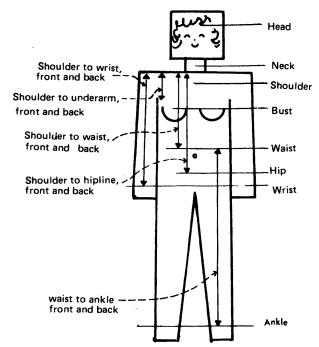
The body shown here represents all of us and shows the dimensions we must consider when we want the cloth we weave to shape to our bodies.

Generally we find measurements of circumference (on the left side) and length (on the right side). Circumference measurements should be taken over the widest part of the area to be measured—and don't pull the measuring tape too tight. Vertical measurements reflect a measurement taken from both the front and the back of your body. You will find a difference and should use the longest measurement if planning your garment. Those measurements that involve the arm are using the bone at the shoulder as a guide. Other measurements that involve the torso use the base of the neck to indicate the shoulder line.

At the bottom of the page there are other miscellaneous measurements. The most important is the length from wrist to wrist (arms outstretched). Take this measurement across the back of your body.

It is best to work with a partner in finding out your measurements. Another person can more accurately place and read the tape for you. Because most handwoven clothing generally is not directly next to your skin-you may take the measurements over not too bulky slacks and tops.

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Back waist length Front waist length Length from wrist to wrist (arms outstretched) center of neck to shoulder (up front and up back) front waist circumference front hip circumference back hip circumference

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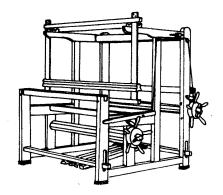


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