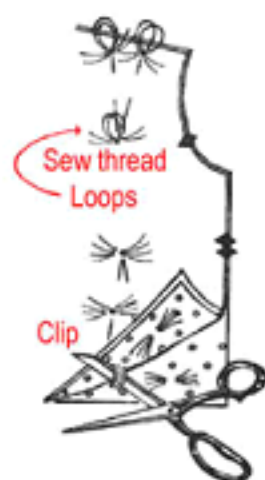


## Marking Darts and Symbols by Laura Nash at [www.SewChicPatterns.com](http://www.SewChicPatterns.com)



The most common method for marking darts and symbols is with tracing paper, or dressmakers carbon, and a tracing wheel. Always mark on the wrong side of the fabric using a color that gives the least contrast, but can still be seen. Place carbon paper, color side to wrong side of fabric, tracing the dart or sewing symbol with the tracing wheel. To make quick work of it, place your carbon between both layers of fabric and mark them both at the same time.



Another method of marking fabric is called "tailor tacks" and is most useful when the marking needs to show on the right side of the fabric. Use a long double thread, taking two tiny stitches between both layers of fabric where marking is needed, leaving a loop of at least an inch and a half. Cut through loops, separate the two fabric pieces and cut through threads, leaving tufts of thread on each side of fabric. The thread is easily removed once the garment is made. The tailor tacking method of marking is recommended for some parts of pattern # LN7401, Myrtlewood.