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Measurement Form for Tie-Neck Surplice

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Fabric Choice: () lightweight linen () medium weight linen () cotton

Lace: () no lace () on skirt only () on skirt and sleeve () along front opening

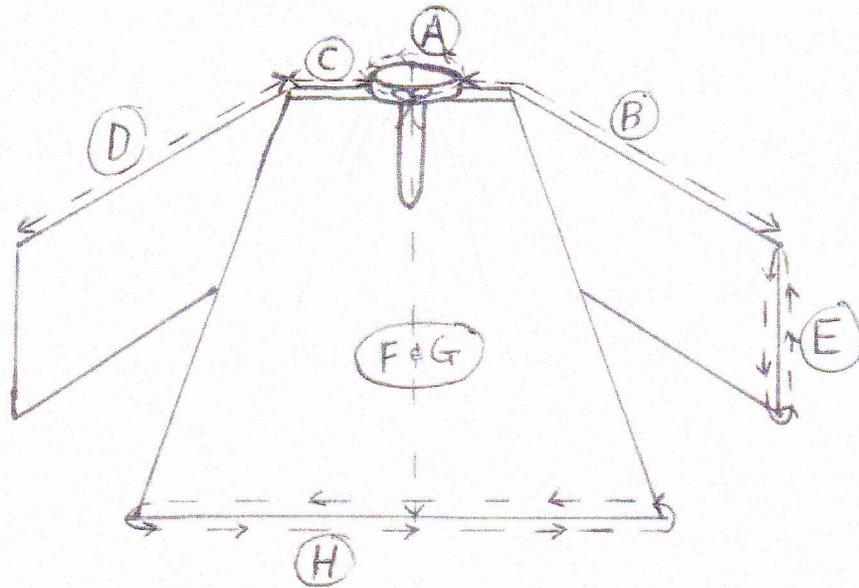
Measurements are taken: () from an existing surplice/alb () of self, wearing cassock

Please refer to the letters and arrows on the picture drawing on page 2 for each measurement.

- A) _____ Neck – circumference around your Roman collar (*note: I will add a little for ease.*)
- B) _____ Shoulder and Sleeve Length together - from bottom of Roman collar to desired sleeve length
- C) _____ Shoulder – from the bottom of your Roman collar to the shoulder seam
- D) _____ Sleeve Length – from the shoulder seam to the desired length (*note: C & D should equal B*)
- E) _____ Sleeve Circumference - measure around an existing surplice sleeve – or – use the normal measurement of about 24-26" – or - use whatever you'd like it to be
- F) _____ Back Length – from bottom of Roman collar to desired length
- G) _____ Front Length – from bottom of Roman collar to desired length (*note: front length should be about 1" to 2" shorter than the back length for this style of alb*)
- H) _____ Circumference of skirt at edge of hem (*note: usually about 88" for small build; 90" for medium build; and 94" for large build.*)

(_____) Please put an "X" here if you are of a larger build so that I will add extra room around the chest and upper sleeve for a better fit.

You may make a copy of this form, fill it out, and send it to me via email, or just send the measurements through the email (*i.e.*: A – 19.5", B – 29", C – 5.75", etc.). I only go to the quarter of an inch.



Some helpful notations:

Lightweight vs. medium weight linen:

*** The medium weight linen will obviously last longer than the lightweight because of the density due to the high thread count. Medium weight linen is especially recommended for an everyday alb since it will need to be laundered more often than a high feast alb that is worn occasionally.

*** The lightweight linen is especially recommended in three situations: a) if you'll be having hip-to-hem lace on it; b) if you'll be having delicate lace on it; or c) if you get overheated easily.

*** The 100% no-iron cotton is especially nice on surplices. It has a wrinkle resistant agent on it so it's virtually iron free.

Caring for your linen garment:

*** Hand washing is highly recommended, and an absolute necessity if there is lace on it. Using cool water is best.

*** Use a mild detergent. Avoid strong detergents, especially concentrated forms or ones with optical whiteners, bleach, or alkalis.

*** Absolutely no bleaches. Stains should be treated individually.

*** Hang air drying is recommended; however, not in the intense, direct sunlight if drying them outside.

*** Is it best to press the garment while still damp. If this is not possible you can spray it with water.

*** Use a hot iron on the "linen" setting. Avoid letting the iron remain on one spot to avoid scorching. Move the iron in a constant gentle motion.

Caring for your cotton garment:

*** Machine washing is fine as long as it does not have lace on it. If it does, you'll want to hand wash it to preserve the lace!

*** Use cool water, a gentle cycle, and mild detergent.

*** It can also be put in the dryer on a delicate cycle.

*** It's best to remove it while still a little damp, give it a quick press, and hang until completely dry.