



## Ocean Waves

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The purpose of this dress was to create a garment from a single piece of fabric that was not cut in anyway. Sustainability of this garment is a main factor due to there being no fabric waste. The bright colors in the fabric fit into the aesthetic I use in my designs. Simple silhouettes with lots of color. The fabric that is used is a cotton gauze, which is very lightweight and loosely woven. This dress was draped on a mannequin by folding the fabric in a way that contours the body. A woman's figure being accentuated is a main staple in my designs. The zipper at center back is inserted so that the fabric coming from the right side of the body continues past the zipper and remains flat. To create the flowing drape of the hem, pickups were added on the front left hip and the right side seam. This created more volume at the hip, which helped to emphasize the hourglass shape. The exact draped silhouette was achieved by hand sewing the garment while it was on the mannequin. Due to the lightness of the fabric, reinforcement was added at the top of the bust and at the pickups to stop the weight from pulling it down.

