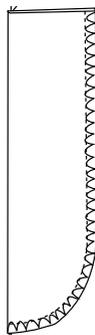


# Sewing a Fly Front Zip

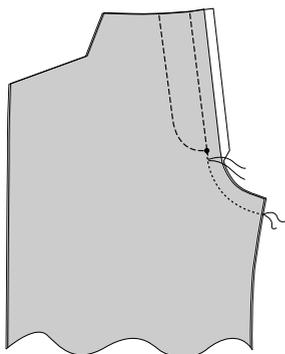
## Method 2

This is the Portia Method of inserting the fly which includes a separate fly facing section.

- 1 Fold the fly facings, with the wrong sides together. Neaten the curved edge of the pair together



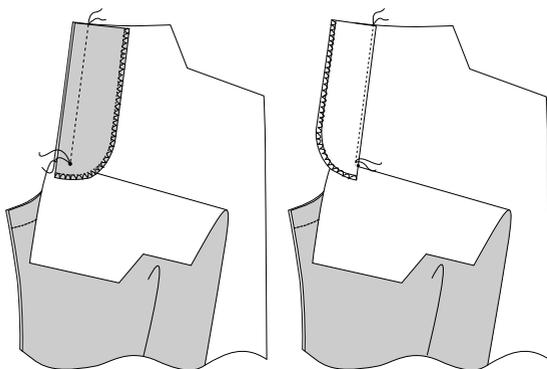
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With the right sides together sew the front crotch seam up to the large dot.

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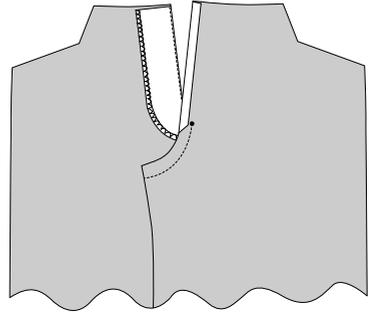
Place the single fly extension along the left trouser front if you were wearing them, with the right sides together. Sew down to the large dot, but do not catch the right front trouser.



Understitch the fly extension to the seam allowance.

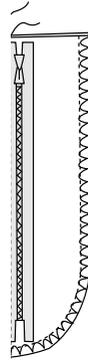
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On the right trouser front, if you were wearing them, press under the 1.5cm seam allowance, this still leaves a step in the centre front.



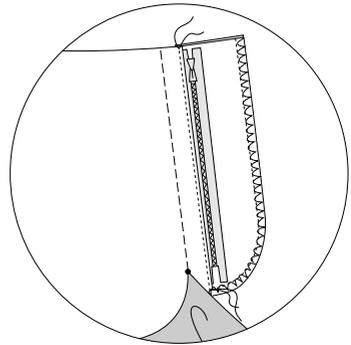
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Lay the zip tape just inside the straight edge of the double fly facing and stitch down the zip tape with a zipper foot close to the teeth.



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Open the zip and tuck it under the right centre front, if you were wearing them, so the centre front fold just sits up against the zip teeth. Using a zipper foot sew close to the edge of the fold. You will sew through the trouser front, zip tape and the fly facing all together. Sew up to the large dot.



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Close the zip and overlap the trousers to line up the centre fronts. Pin and baste together along the centre front line.

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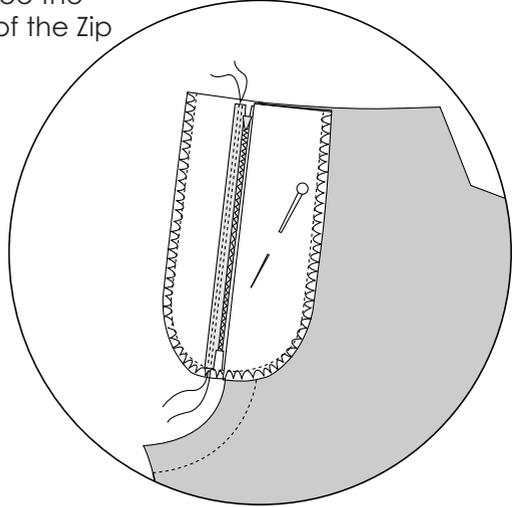
On the wrong side fold back the fly facing and pin out of the way.

You should see the  
Wrong side of the Zip

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Pin and sew the left hand side of the zip tape to the fly extension only, not through the trouser front.

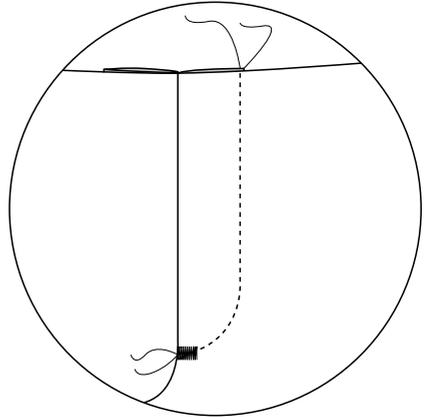
Sew a double row of stitching to reinforce the zip.



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Flip the trousers over so you can see the right side of the left trouser front.

On the left trouser front top-stitch the fly shape making sure not to catch the double fly facing underneath. Sew down to the large dot.



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Fold back the double fly so it sits flat under the zip and just catch the fly facing to the fly extension to keep it from flapping.

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You can add a small section of narrow zigzag just at the base of the zip opening to reinforce the stitching. It looks quite good too.