

Sizing

Vintage clothing was made before the modern era of mass production and often specifically for individuals. Sizes have changed over the years and as such sizing labels are not often useful as a gauge of modern fit. As such we provide you with the measurements of each garment so that you can clearly determine how it will fit you.

We measure our garments in a standard way as described below so the best way to ensure that you are happy with your purchase is to measure a similar item that you already own and then compare the measurements to those we provide you. Garments are measured un-stretched (if the fabric stretches) so you will need to bear this in mind, along with the way that you want the garment to fit you.

Women's Items

Below you will find a chart showing UK size measurements of bust, waist and hips in centimetres and inches. We measure our garments in a standard way as described below so the best way to ensure that you are happy with your purchase is to measure a similar item that you already own and then compare the measurements to those we provide you. Garments are measured un-stretched (if the fabric stretches) so you will need to bear this in mind, along with the way that you want the garment to fit you.

UK Size	6	8	10	12	14	16
Bust size cm	77	82	87	92	97	102
Waist size cm	59	64	69	74	79	84
Hip size cm	83	88	93	98	103	108
Bust size inches	30.5	32.25	34.25	36.25	38.25	40.25
Waist size inches	23.5	25.25	27.25	29	31	33
Hip size inches	32.75	34.75	36.75	38.75	40.5	42.2

How we measure:

Dresses, shirts, jackets, coats:

Bust: Side-seam to side-seam at the point where the bust would be expected to fall, measurement is then doubled.

Waist: Side-seam to side-seam at the narrowest point where the waist would be expected to fall, measurement is then doubled.

Hips: Side-seam to side-seam at the point where the hips would be expected to fall, measurement is then doubled.

Length: Top of shoulder to hem, excluding any collar. For dresses, length is measured down back seam from top to bottom.

Arms: Shoulder seam to end of sleeve.

Skirts:

Waist: Around the waistband.

Hips: (Only included for high-waisted skirts) Side-seam to side-seam at the point where the hips would be expected to fall, measurement is then doubled.
Length: Top of the waistband to the hem.

Trousers and jeans:

Waist: Around the waistband.
Length: Inside leg seam.
Rise: From middle seam to top of the waistband.

Men's items

Shirts, jackets, coats:

Chest: Side-seam to side-seam, measurement is then doubled.
Waist: Side-seam to side-seam at the point where the waist would be expected to fall, measurement is then doubled.
Length: Top of shoulder to hem, excluding any collar.
Arms: Shoulder seam to end of sleeve.

Trousers and jeans:

Waist: Around the waistband.
Length: Inside leg seam.
Rise: From middle seam to top of the waistband.

Shoes

Below you will find a chart showing comparative size measurements of shoes in centimetres and inches. If a size is on the shoes we will state this in the listing. We also measure on the outside of the shoe from the back of the heel to the tip of the toe and across the sole at the widest point. The best way to ensure fit is to measure a similar pair of shoes that you already own.

U.K.	M	3	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	10	11
	W	2½	3	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	9½	10½
Europe		35	35½	36	37	37½	38	38½	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
U.S. & Canada	M	3½	4	4½	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	10½	11½
	W	5	5½	6	6½	7	7½	8	8½	9	9½	10	11	12	13
Centimetre		22.8	23.1	23.5	23.8	24.1	24.5	24.8	25.1	25	25.7	26	27	27	28
Inches		9	⁹ / ₁₆	9¼	⁹ / ₈	9½	⁹ / ₈	9¾	⁹ / ₈	10	10 1/8	10¼	10½	10¾	11