

When I checked the weather at the end of last week the forecast for this weekend was really cold. The sun would be out but we were going to be dropping down into the thirties. Since Rob and I both felt the beginnings of a cold we decide it would be best to have an completely indoor weekend. I did the grocery shopping on Friday night and we have not unlocked our front door in the last two days. I have been outside only once - to fill the squirrel feeder for continued dog entertainment. Abby was, of course, outside pretty frequently but never for very long at a time and she was usually trying to stand on as few feet as possible by the time she came back inside. I shuddered everytime I had to open the door for her.

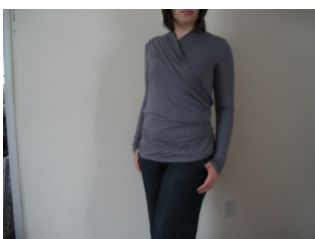


To compensate for the cold weather I have a new, cozy cardigan. I finished it Wednesday night and wore it to work on Thursday. It's amazingly comfortable and makes me feel just a little bit sophisticated. I used this [set of instructions](#) from Burda Style to draft my own pattern pieces based on the Lydia pattern [I've made up before](#).

The drafting was pretty easy - as long as I took my time - and the sewing was even easier than the basic tee. The longest part was pressing down my hems. I added about an inch of extra length to the sleeves (I probably could have added two) so my wrists would not be chilly. The bit of collar at the back of the neck is a really nice touch. The fabric is a bamboo jersey I got from [The Workroom](#)

- I love the drape and feel of this fabric.

The "wings" reach nearly to my knees (especially if I slouch) but also reach all the way around my back to tie out of the way. My office was especially cold on Thursday afternoon and I found this a very cozy way to wear my cardigan.



A Lazy Weekend and a Cardigan

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ps. sorry for the blurry picture. I took 17 photos with my timer: three were in focus and in one of those I was moving.

pps. When I checked the weather this morning it was -32 Celsius with a wind chill of -40. Fortunately we are supposed to be getting quite a bit warmer this week.