

# SPRING 2026 FABRIC TREND FIELD CARD

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Print. Tape inside your stash cabinet. Keep one in your sewing bag.

## 1. THE SPRING 2026 PALETTE

Swatches below are approximate. Order a fabric swatch before committing to yardage.



**Cloud Dancer**  
Off-white  
*Color of the Year 2026*



**Sage Green**  
Muted green  
*3+ years of trend history*



**Burnished Lilac**  
Smoky lavender  
*Safe repeat pick*



**Muskmelon**  
Soft orange  
*Accent only — higher volatility*



**Acacia**  
Green-yellow  
*Accent only — higher volatility*



**Tickled Pink**  
Warm rosé  
*Pairs with Cloud Dancer*

## 2. BEGINNER-SAFE FABRIC PAIRINGS

FABRIC	BEST FOR	TREND COLORS WORK IN	WATCH FOR
Quilting cotton	A-line skirts, totes, kids' clothes	All colors; florals	Narrow width — buy +20%
Cotton lawn	Blouses, summer dresses	Sage, Cloud Dancer, lilac	Slightly slippery — use weights
Linen / linen blend	Relaxed tops, wide-leg pants	Muskmelon, sage, off-white	Press every seam as you sew
Cotton gingham / ticking	Skirts, sundresses, kids' wear	Soft pink, sage, lilac	Small repeats hide seam mismatch

### SKIP FOR YOUR FIRST TREND PROJECT

Rayon challis, silk, chiffon, sheer fabrics, lace overlays. These shift under the presser foot. Come back to them on your fifth or sixth completed garment.

## 3. BEFORE YOU BUY — PRE-SHOPPING CHECKLIST

- Ordered a swatch of the fabric in the exact color before committing to full yardage
- Checked your closet: do you own 3+ items that would coordinate with this color?
- Applied the pivot test: would you buy this print as a ready-to-wear garment in a shop?
- Confirmed the color has 3+ years of trend history (safe pick), or treated it as accent (volatile pick)
- Bought 20% more yardage than the pattern calls for if using quilting cotton (narrow width)
- Matched fabric type to skill level — stable wovens for first 2–3 projects
- Chosen a no-fit pattern: elastic waist, pullover, tote. No zippers, no buttonholes yet

## 4. SUGGESTED BEGINNER PATTERNS

**Simplicity 9767** Elastic-waist A-line skirt. 1.5 yd of 44" quilting cotton. 2–3 hours active.

**New Look 6740** Simple pullover top. 2 yd of cotton lawn or linen blend. 3–4 hours active.