

threads **2025** MEDIA KIT

The Premier Source for Sewing Enthusiasts





### The #1 Source for Sewing Enthusiasts

- Threads is at the heart of an active and purposeful community of makers of all ages. As the most trusted source of sewing and textile advice for more than 39 years, Threads serves readers by offering instruction, expertise, and technical excellence balanced with beauty, creativity, and passion. The information Threads publishes is for curious beginners, immersed enthusiasts, and those considering professional pathways. Threads is an inspirational, contemporary, and relevant brand with a curated and personal tone.
- We provide a thoughtfully edited mix of lively features and profiles, product recommendations, in-depth how-to content, and stylish skill-building projects. Our scope includes sewing techniques and tools; quilting trends and equipment; hand embroidery supplies, and additional textile crafts such as dyeing and felting.
- Threads readers spend time learning about new skills and tools and have the resources to buy patterns, machines, tools, and materials frequently. They are attuned to innovation and they turn to Threads for updates and information.
- Threads creates integrated solutions for print, digital, video, social, and more that enable marketers to create unique experiences, build value, and connect to our influential and engaged audience. Whatever the medium, Threads delivers superior results across all platforms.





## Reach a World of Sewing Enthusiasts!

If you are looking to target sewing enthusiasts, Threads has you covered, across multiple channels.

#### **OUR AUDIENCE DEMOGRAPHICS**



64

Average age



97%

Female



\$175k

Average Household Income



\$581k

Average Home Value



**98**%

Skill Level Intermediate to Above

#### **COMMITTED, ENGAGED SEWING ENTHUSIASTS**



\$2,441

Average spent per year on sewing related activities



84%

Average have acted as a result of an ad they saw in/on *Threads* 



\$59.95

Annual membership price (print + digital)



160,000

Weekly e-letter list



747,030

Social media footprint



**96**%

Plan to make womens' clothing in the next 12 months

\$520 million in spending power



# **Demographics**

AFFLUENT, EDUCATED HOMEOWNERS	SUBSCRIBER	WEBSITE VISITOR	MEMBER		
Gender	100% female	76% female	99% female		
Graduated from college (or higher)	74%	71%	76%		
Average income	\$146,000	\$178,000	\$183,000		
Approximate home value	\$571,000	\$580,000	\$705,000		
Mean age	66.9	63.7	65.9		
Married	66%	69%	68%		
HIGHLY ENGAGED ENTHUSIASTS	SUBSCRIBER	WEBSITE VISITOR	MEMBER		
Hours per week spent sewing	7%	8%	9%		
Years involved in sewing	36.3	33	36		
Average amount spent per year on sewing related activities	\$1,801	\$2,488	\$2,957		
Projects per year	4.7	6.7	6.1		
Would consider purchasing a product or service in the future as results of <i>Threads</i> advertising	86%	86%	88%		
INTERESTS AND SKILLS	SUBSCRIBER	WEBSITE VISITOR	MEMBER		
Skill level: Intermediate or above	97%	99%	99%		
Have a dedicated craft space	98%	97%	100%		
Plan to start making women's clothes in next 12 months	86%	91%	95%		
Plan to buy garment patterns	60%	67%	64%		
Bought tools/machinery	87%	92%	92%		

Taunton Audience Profiling Study May 2022



### Our Reach

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**64** average age **97%** female \$175,453 average household income

**\$581,781** average home value

#### **KEY AUDIENCE STATS**

**207,000** monthly sessions avg past year 332,000 monthly views avg past year **727,583** social audience **52K** paid subscribers

**12.5K** paid online members

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA FOOTPRINT**

**274,700** Pinterest **214,000** YouTube **150,000** Facebook 87,600 Instagram **15,800 X** (Twitter)

**1,130** TikTok

#### **PURCHASING POWER**

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#### **CONTENT & BRAND ENGAGEMENT.**

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# 2025 Editorial Highlights

#### SPRING 2025 | ISSUE 229: Check out fresh ideas for spring sewing and techniques for creating polished looks.

- Spring fashion forecast: colors, styles patterns.
- Match prints like a pro, for top-quality shirts.
- Sewing for plus sizes, without the fit frustration.
- Make classic shirtdresses—a look that works for everyone in all seasons.
- Create a flowing chiffon skirt from fabric strips; it's a great way to use your serger's rolled hemstitch.

#### SUMMER 2025 | ISSUE 230: Find inspiration in winning dress designs, and learn professional sewing techniques.

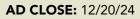
- Make patterns from your favorite clothes, so you can create accurate replicas you'll wear all the time.
- Design your own gorgeous hand embroidery using essential color and shape principles.
- Award-winning dresses feature unique collars and hemlines.
- Find comfort and style in self-sewn, top-quality knit loungewear ensembles.
- Machine embroidery know-how for keeping garments light and supple.

#### FALL 2025 | ISSUE 231: Plan and sew a wardrobe that takes you through the seasons in style.

- Autumn's colors, fabrics, and silhouettes will inspire you to create new looks.
- Image expert Nancy Nix-Rice demonstrates an effective way to turn your stash into a wardrobe that complements your coloring and style.
- Take a peek into a workshop with renowned textile designer Sarah Campbell.
- Fluffy faux-fur jackets are everywhere. Learn to make your own cozy topper.
- For vintage or modern style, upgrade your sweaters with machine embroidery.

#### WINTER 2025 | ISSUE 232: Luxury, comfort, and style are the hallmark of the holidays.

- Woolen garments from the national Make It With Wool competition show the best features of a beloved natural fiber.
- The annual gift guide provides a curated collection of machines, notions, books, tools, and materials to inspire any textile lover.
- Take a close look at stunning gowns made for music icon Ella Fitzgerald by American designer Don Loper.
- A sloper is the basis for creating your own patterns; draping one that fits you perfectly ensures successful future designs.
- Explore ways to add couture-level embellishment to your garments with machine embroidery.



**MATERIALS DUE: 12/27/24** 

**IN-HOME:** 2/10/25

**AD CLOSE: 3/21/25** 

**MATERIALS DUE: 3/28/25** 

**IN-HOME:** 5/12/25

**AD CLOSE: 7/11/25** 

**MATERIALS DUE: 7/18/25** 

**IN-HOME:** 9/01/25

**AD CLOSE: 9/19/25** 

**MATERIALS DUE: 9/2/25** 

**IN-HOME:** 11/17/25



### **Our Solutions**

Our solutions leverage the *Threads* brand authority, storytelling expertise, industry and experts/influencers relationships, extensive reach across multiple platforms, marketing experience, and social media savviness to deliver impactful, top-to-bottom funnel campaigns.



#### **DIGITAL MEDIA**

- Targeting: Behavioral/Keyword/Contextual
- Geo-fencing
- Project Guides
- Podcasts
- Digital display
- Custom email campaigns
- Mobile solutions
- e-Letters
- High-impact interstitials
- Native advertising
- B2B IP Mapping



#### **CUSTOM INTEGRATION**

- Contests and sweepstakes (lead gen)
- Custom content
- Product integration



#### **PRINT MEDIA**

- Custom publishing
- High-impact units
- Gatefolds
- Special editions
- Advertorials
- Inserts/Onserts



#### CONTENT

- Video-series sponsorship
- Custom video development
- Webinar development and execution
- Whitepaper downloads
- Custom blogs
- Sponsored content hubs



#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

- Live events series
- Custom events
- Industry-event podcasts
- Webinars



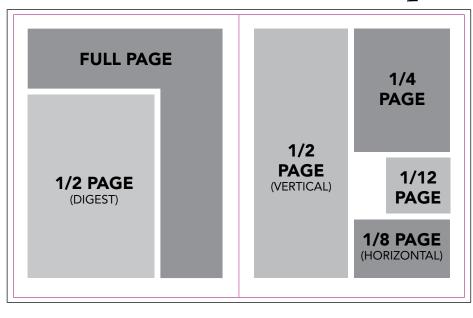
#### SOCIAL

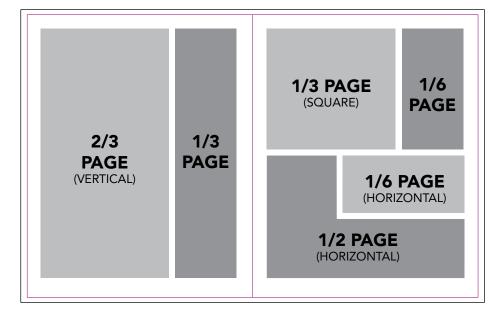
- Instagram TV (IGTV)
- Social livestreaming
- Captivate social extension program
- TikTok campaigns



### **Print Mechinacial Requirements**

- ▶ PAGE UNIT SIZES (= width x height)
- ▶ **SPREADS:** bleed all sides; 17 1/2" x 11 1/8"
- ▶ BLEED ONLY: Available for ½ page and larger ads





#### **FULL PAGE**

**Live Area:**  $7 7/16" \times 9 3/4"$  **Trim Size:**  $8 5/8" \times 10 7/8"$  **Bleed Size:**  $8 7/8" \times 11 1/8"$ 

#### 1/2 PAGE (DIGEST)

**Live Area:**  $47/8" \times 71/4"$ 

Bleed available

#### 1/2 PAGE (VERTICAL)

Live Area: 3 5/8" x 9 3/4"
Bleed available

#### **1/4 PAGE**

**Live Area:**  $3 5/8" \times 4 3/4"$ 

#### 1/12 PAGE

**Live Area:** 2 3/8" x 2 1/4"

#### 1/8 PAGE (HORIZONTAL)

**Live Area:**  $3 5/8" \times 2 1/4"$ 

#### **2/3 PAGE (VERTICAL)**

**Live Area:**  $47/8" \times 93/4"$ 

Bleed available

#### 1/3 PAGE (VERTICAL)\*

**Live Area:** 2 3/8" x 9 3/4"

**1/3 PAGE** (SQUARE)

**Live Area:**  $47/8" \times 43/4"$ 

#### 1/6 PAGE (VERTICAL)

**Live Area:** 2 3/8" x 4 3/4"

#### 1/6 PAGE (HORIZONTAL)

**Live Area:**  $47/8" \times 21/4"$ 

#### **1/2 PAGE** (HORIZONTAL)

**Live Area:** 7 7/16" x 4 3/4"

Bleed available



#### ► FINAL TRIM SIZE: 8 10 1/8 inches

1/3 BLEED AD: only allowed when purchased with a full-page as a unit. For full-spread buys, text and images can run across spreads (keep text .25" from gutter trim)

#### **2 PAGE SPREAD**

Live Area (w x h): 16.5" x 9.75" Bleed Available (w x h): 17.5" x 11.25"

#### **FULL PAGE**

Live Area (w x h): 7.458" x 9.75" Bleed Available (w x h): 8.875" x 11.125"

#### 2/3 PAGE VERTICAL

Live Area (w x h): 4.917" x 9.75" Bleed Available (w x h) 5.646" x 11.125"

#### 1/2 PAGE DIGEST (TOP)

Live Area (w x h) 4.917" x 7.25" Bleed Available (w x h) 5.646" x 7.833"

### **Print Spec Sheet**

#### 1/2 PAGE DIGEST (BOTTOM)

Live Area (w x h) 4.917" x 7.25" Bleed Available (w x h) 5.646" x 8.042"

#### 1/2 PAGE HORIZONTAL

(TOP)

Live Area (w x h) 7.458" x 4.75" Bleed Available (w x h) 8.875" x 5.333"

#### 1/2 PAGE HORIZONTAL

(BOTTOM)

Live Area (w x h) 7.458" x 4.75" Bleed Available (w x h) 8.875" x 5.542"

#### 1/2 PAGE SPREAD

(BOTTOM)

Live Area (w x h) 16.5" x 4.75" Bleed Available (w x h) 17.5" x 5.542"

#### 1/2 PAGE VERTICAL

Live Area (w x h) 3.646" x 9.75" Bleed Available (w x h) 4.375" x 11.125"

#### 1/3 PAGE SQUARE

Live Area (w x h) 4.917" x 4.75" No bleed available

#### 1/3 PAGE VERTICAL\*

**Live Area (w x h)** 2.375" x 9.75"

#### **1/4 PAGE**

Live Area (w x h) 3.646" x 4.75" No bleed available

#### 1/6 PAGE HORIZONTAL

Live Area (w x h) 4.917" x 2.25" No bleed available

#### 1/6 PAGE VERTICAL

Live Area (w x h) 2.375"  $\times 4.75$ " No bleed available

#### 1/8 PAGE HORIZONTAL

Live Area (w x h) 3.646" x 2.25" No bleed available

#### 1/12 PAGE

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### **Print Spec Details**

#### ART PREPARATION/SPECIFICATIONS

Full-Page/Fractional Ads: We accept digital files only, preferably high resolution, CMYK, font-embedded PDF or PDF/X-1a. Ads must be prepared according to our specification guidelines, which are available by contacting the Advertising Coordinator at 615-481-2595 or emailing inquiries to mdalton@threadsmagazine.com. All ads must be accompanied by a proof made from the file submitted to verify content. Color ads must be accompanied by a high-quality, color proof calibrated to SWOP specifications. For black-and-white ads without half-tone images, a high-quality computer printout (600 dpi or greater) is acceptable. We reserve the right to charge for processing time in the event the file does not meet ad specification guidelines. All ads must reach the size of the space ordered at some point in width and height.

#### **PRODUCTION DATA**

**Trim size:** 8 5/8 " x 10 7/8 " • Binding: Perfect bound • Printing: Black & white, 4-color process; text and cover – web offset • Paper: Text – 45-lb. coated stock; cover – 100-lb. coated stock

#### **Bleed Requirements**

Bleed available only for half page and larger. Bleed image should be limited to tints or background. Live matter, including type, must be kept within the live area, which starts 5/8" from top, 3/4" from bottom, 11/16" from left, and 3/4" from right of the bleed ad size.

DEADLINE FOR PUBLISHER-SET COPY IS 7 DAYS PRIOR TO CLOSING DATE.

#### **POSITION REQUESTS**

Considered but not guaranteed.

# SHIPPING AND PRODUCTION INFORMATION

All advertising materials should be shipped directly to:

Advertising Coordinator, Threads, 2143 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50312, Phone: 615-481-2595

Contact person: mdalton@ threadsmagazine.com (Please indicate ad is for *Threads*.)

#### **BILLING QUESTION**S

Please contact the Business Office at: 800-926-8776 x3245

Email: BusinessOffice@Taunton.com





### Digital Specs/ Web Ad Units

#### MREC (BIG BOX)

**Size:** 300 x 250

#### MREC (BIG BOX) EXPANSION

**Size:** 300 x 250 **Max:** 504 x 250

#### **HALF PAGE**

**Size:** 300 x 600

#### **LEADERBOARD**

**Size**: 728 x 90

#### LEADERBOARD EXPANSION

**Size:** 728 x 90 **Max:** 728 x 225

#### **MOBILE SPONSORSHIP**

**Size:** 320 x 50

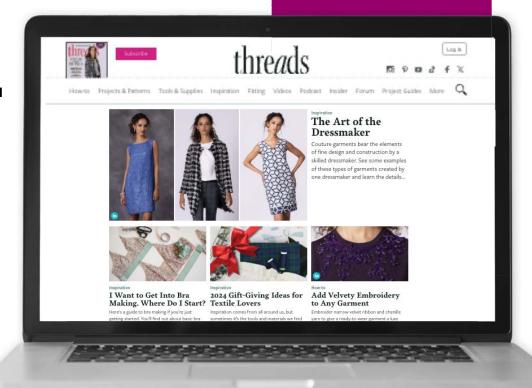
### GEO, CONTEXTUAL, AND BEHAVIORAL TARGETING

**Size:** 300 x 250 **Size:** 728 x 90

#### PRO TARGETING

Ask a sales rep for specs

- ► FILE FORMAT: JPG, GIF, HTML5
- ▶ MAX FILE SIZE: 40k at 72dpi, 200k for HTML5
- ▶ ANIMATION LOOPS: 15 seconds at 3 loops max with CTA in the final frame
- RUN OF SITE SPECS AND EXPANSION OF UNITS:
   Accepts third-party banners and site-served banners





# Digital Specs: Web Ad Units and Video Units

#### **RICH MEDIA UNITS**

#### PRE-ROLL

**Size:** High res, 1080p (1920 x 1080), 16 x 9 aspect ratio

Format: MP4, VAST TAGS

Max Size: 40k at 72dpi with 25 fps max, 15 seconds

TP: Yes SS: Yes

#### **INREAD**

Specs: 30-45 sec. recommended Video Ad Unit 16:9 HD,

Format: MP4, VAST TAGS, mov under 10MB

#### **SITE SKIN**

Size: Two 200 x 800 Images at 60kb for each side (left/right)

Format: JPG, GIF, PNG Max: Size 100k at 72dpi

TP: No SS: Yes

#### RISING STAR UNITS

#### **BILLBOARD**

**Size:** 975 x 250

Format: JPG, GIF, HTML5, PNG, TAGS Max Size: 60k at 72dpi with 24 fps;

15 seconds at 3 loops max

TP: Yes SS: Yes

#### LARGE LEADERBOARD

**Size:** 970 x 90

**Format:** JPG, GIF, HTML5, PNG, TAGS **Max:** Size 60k at 72dpi with 24 fps

TP: Yes SS: Yes

#### **INTERSTITIAL**

**Size:** 640 x 480

Format: JPG, GIF, PNG, HTML5, TAGS Max Size: 10 seconds with 24 fps max

TP: Yes SS: Yes

**TP:** Third-party banners **SS:** Site-serve banners

File Format: We accept HTML5 for most ad unit sizes. Max file size is 200k. Third-party served only.

**Rising Star Units:** To be advertiser created/supplied. Visual Interactive Advertiser Bureau (IAB) website at www.iab.com

for more detailed Rising Star specs.





### **Contact**

For more information on how you and your brand can get in touch with *Threads'* engaged fiber arts enthusiasts, please call or reach out to us.

#### **ADVERTISING SALES MANAGER**

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#### PRINT PRODUCTION

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#### **DIGITAL PRODUCTION**

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