

What type of sewing machine will you fall in love with?

Domestic vs Industrial Sewing Machine

Domestic sewing machine

- I sew occasionally or just for fun
- I like experimenting with decorative stitches
- I don't have much space at home
- I want a compact, easy-to-carry machine
- I mostly sew personal projects (clothes, accessories, home decor...)
- I'm a beginner or getting back into sewing slowly
- I want a simple and intuitive machine
- I appreciate a quiet machine
- I want a versatile machine, even if it's not super powerful

Industrial sewing machine

- I sew very often or for long periods
- I do production sewing or small-batch work
- I work with denim or other thick fabrics
- I have a dedicated sewing space or studio
- I need a fast, stable, high-powered machine
- I prioritize performance over stitch variety
- I'm ready to invest in a durable, long-lasting machine
- I'm comfortable with specialized equipment
- I want a tool built to last a lifetime (or close!)

Did you check several boxes in the DOMESTIC sewing machine section?

You're looking for versatility, compactness, and simplicity. You mostly sew for pleasure, at home, at your own pace. A domestic machine will meet your needs if you want a reliable tool that's easy to carry, doesn't take up too much space, and adapts to a variety of projects.

Did you check several boxes in the INDUSTRIAL sewing machine section?

You have regular or ambitious production projects. You want a machine that won't slow you down: power, stability, speed. If you often sew thick fabrics or in series, and you have a dedicated sewing space, an industrial machine can become your best ally.

Mechanical vs Electronic sewing machine

Mechanical sewing machine

- I like understanding how my machine works
- I prefer dials to digital screens
- I want a simple, tough, long-lasting machine
- I want something I can repair myself or have easily serviced
- I don't need tons of stitch options or automatic features
- I prioritize long-term reliability over tech
- I mostly use straight, zigzag, and basic stitch settings
- I love vintage or retro aesthetics
- I'm on a budget but still want quality

Electronic sewing machine

- I love modern features and easy-to-use buttons
- I want automatic buttonholes and built-in functions
- I like having a screen to visualize settings
- I often change stitch types depending on my projects
- I want a machine that's versatile, intuitive, and quick to set up
- I enjoy comfort features (needle up/down, thread cutter, no foot pedal...)
- I sew a wide range of projects: clothes, accessories, decor...
- I'm comfortable with tech and menu navigation
- I'm ready to invest in a well-equipped, recent machine

If you checked mostly MECHANICAL?

You value **simplicity, control, and reliability**. Fewer bells and whistles, more hands-on understanding. Mechanical machines are a great fit if you like to keep things straightforward and fixable.

If you checked mostly ELECTRONIC?

You love **tech, comfort, and flexibility**. Modern machines help save time and offer a variety of features. If you want to get sewing quickly without fussing with settings, this is your zone.

New, vintage, or Antique sewing machine

New sewing machine

- I want a reassuring in-store experience with personalized advice
- I prefer a machine with warranty and after-sales service
- I want to test the machine before buying
- I feel better buying from a specialized or well-known store
- I want something easy to use, even as a beginner
- I like recent machines with modern functions (auto buttonholes, screens, thread cutter...)
- I want a machine that works right out of the box, with no maintenance needed
- My budget allows me to invest in something new for peace of mind

Vintage sewing machine

- I want a sturdy machine that can last a lifetime (or almost!)
- I enjoy buying second-hand
- I love browsing Marketplace or flea markets
- I want a great-quality machine at a low price
- I prefer solid metal models over plastic ones
- I care about my environmental impact and love reusing
- I adore the retro look of machines from the 50s to 70s
- I want a simple, powerful, reliable machine that's easy to repair

Antique sewing machine

- I'm passionate about old objects with a story
- I love finding hidden gems
- I adore the charm, look, and sound of old machines
- I'm okay with sewing slowly, the old-fashioned way — no electricity
- I want a functional collectible or beautiful decor piece
- Sewing, for me, is also a connection to the past and tradition
- I prefer a cast iron machine with minimal features
- I love hunting on Marketplace, at flea markets, or on eBay
- I'm curious to explore a different way of sewing

If you checked mostly **NEW**?

You're looking for **ease, support and ready to use**. New machines are perfect if you want to start sewing right away, with modern features and peace of mind. *Just one tip:* choose a model with **metal interior parts** — the more plastic inside, the harder it is to repair later.

If you checked mostly **VINTAGE**?

You're all about **durability, value, and secondhand smarts**. Vintage machines are often built to last and super affordable. If you love giving objects a second life and want quality without the price tag, vintage is your best friend.

Fun fact: It's the most recommended type by experienced upcyclers!

If you checked mostly **ANTIQU**E?

You sew for the **love of history and tradition**. An antique machine is more than a tool, it's an experience. If you love slow sewing, unique beauty, and the connection to the past, you may just have found your match.

Final Thoughts

As you've probably noticed by now, **you can mix and match!** An **industrial machine can be vintage**, just like an **electronic one can be secondhand on Marketplace**. There are no rigid boxes. What matters most is what **works for you**.

Hope you're ready to search for your future sewing machine with clarity and confidence!

Keep me posted!