



Before buying:

How do you say corsierre™? What does it mean? Is it French?

KOR-SEE-YAY. It's an original word we coined to set it apart from other nursing bra tops in the market. It describes the design and functional aspects of the garment --- it's a bra, cami-corset with nursing access. No, it is not French, in fact, if you were to follow the proper way of saying it, it would be read as "kor-see-yer". But of course, we prefer "kor-see-yay" as in, "bustier". It sounds sexier and much more fun to say. Another interesting note...there is a place in Switzerland called Corsier...I would like to go there someday.

Is it easy to put on?

The corsierre was designed as a bra on top that goes over a cami-corset, which then covers the torso. Even if there are two separate garments, we have made every effort to make it function as one unit. For your convenience, aside from connecting the two garments via the comfort strap, the corsierre is partly stitched at the back to make sure the bra part does not ride up, curl or detach from the inner cami. This will help you determine which side is the front and which side is the back as well. Its hard to describe but trust me, all this will make more sense once you have the corsierre in your hands.

What size should I buy?

We recommend you buy your pre-pregnancy size. Please refer to the size chart when ordering. In the chart you will notice that there are measurements for the bra part and measurements for the cami. The bra part is more critical when choosing a size since this aspect needs to fit as closely to the body as possible. The corset-cami is sized like regular clothing and is styled to flatter most body types. Bare in mind that new moms go through many body changes and a lot of women are in between sizes etc. This is when the stretch fabric becomes a life saver. *(side note: this means more reasons to shop too...say, get a L now, then a M later?)*

When's the best time to buy?

Anytime is a good time but this is great in the first stages of pregnancy when your breasts begin to swell and the bra is not your friend *(when is it ever?)*. But you will really get your money's worth when you use this post-pregnancy. The nursing access is a godsend! Remember, if you follow the recommended "breastfeed for at least 6 months" rule, you will most likely use your nursing clothes longer than any maternity item you own. It's not scientifically proven or anything but personally, I have found that wearing nursingwear actually extends your nursing relationship so in my case, I wore my nursing tops well over 9 months because it just got so easy! ;-)

Do I need to wear a bra with it?

You can, but it was made to replace a bra. That's the beauty of it. Imagine the freedom! For larger busted women, it MAY not offer the same support so a bra might be helpful *(check it out for yourself though)* but for D cups and under, it provides light-medium support. It has the comfort of a sleep bra or even an exercise top, but the look of a fabulous nursing top. *(Unlike other nursing bra tops, the straps of the corsierre are thick enough to cover a bra in case you insist on that extra support.)*

How long is the top?

Measurements will be found in the size chart. But it was made long enough to cover that jelly belly. Yeah, we read your mind.

Is the corset constrictive?

Not at all! The thing that makes it like a corset would be the design element of using multiple panels. This gives that all important "illusion of slender" that any new mom would kill for ;-). The top fits like second skin to the body as well and the garment is very flattering because of the empire cut which allows the torso to look more elongated. Another design element to note would be the curved hemline and open round neck, which is a nod to the timeless looks found in classic corsets. It is not a corset in a sense that it "binds" you. The fabric is breathable and the entire garment was interpreted not to be used as underwear or as a foundation garment but an everyday, wearable piece that gives you the construction without the constriction ;-). Much like the cami-corsets made by other lifestyle lingerie companies.

What makes the nursing access different from anything else out there?

It is unique, convenient and market-tested. First of all, there is NOT a lot of material that will be fussed with and the baby's face will be completely fabric-free. Next, pushing down the inner cami is very easy, it even acts to push up your breast when you are nursing (*admit it, we all need help in this area*). Third, the band used in the bra stays up on top of your chest when lifted (*look ma, no hands!*). NO other nursing top does that. Fourth, the opening is ultra discreet because you are pulling up the bra and covering the chest area versus pulling down exposing most of your chest. Fifth, the band goes all the way around your ribcage, meaning you can lift from the very side, all the way, even until your back to make sure you can leverage on lifting the entire bra layer for total freedom. In a nutshell, the nursing opening is great because there are no silly slits or hokey holes that look very "nursingwear"-like.

Do you have a gift wrap service?

Why, yes! Every effort will be made to make your gift the star of any baby shower or the object of much *appreciation* (*new moms can get very emotional thanks to the hormones*). The corsierre already comes with amazing packaging which clearly displays all its features and uses. I'm sure whoever you are giving the gift to will be thrilled. (*side note: we have had a LOT of men buying these for their wives, girlfriends etc...points for the men, eh?*)

Will I love it?

I don't know about *love*, but I think you will be very pleased....or better yet even relieved. I think the bottomline of this nursing top is that it is brilliant because it is not only about discretion now, or even about having a built in bra (*which by the way, ours gives really good support*), it focuses on the torso/stomach area too, making sure it is not only covered but made to look appealing and not appalling. I think this is what every woman wants, nursing or not ;-). Well, your baby will *love* you for sure, because wearing the corsierre means he/she could feed on demand. And at that age, I think that is what *love* is but don't quote me on that ;-).

What inspired you to design this?

Hot mamas. Yummy mummies. (*Yes. I'm one, are you one? And if you think it's a matter of vital stats, it is not. It is a state of mind, a glowing attitude and easily achievable through body language – think chin up, chest out and you're halfway there. Haha!*) It is my desire to dress the new mom who gives as much importance to her newborn as she does to herself. Becoming a new mom is an instinctively selfless time for us so when we are too busy caring for our babies, who cares for the mommy, hmmm? There is definitely LIFE in between feedings and the mother who lives this is definitely my inspiration. I dreamed up the corsierre for women who appreciate looking and feeling anything but flat (*pun intended!*) and the corsierre would be the perfect top to compliment her. ;-)

Post Purchase:

What do I wear with it?

This is the fun part ---Depending on the fabric or the colors you choose, the corsierre™ is versatile enough to be worn with jeans, to the gym or even to bed. Its both sporty and sexy, casual and chic. Its innerwear and outerwear in one. It's also a yearlong wardrobe staple. In the summer, wear it on its own, in the winter, pair it with a jacket. (*looks good with a cropped vest or shrug, too!*) Its not ordinary looking by any stretch so some women can even wear it to the office with a blazer (*just add on the jewelry and that should do the trick*).

Is the inner cami meant to cover the entire breast?

Well, it was designed to be a demi cup and depending on your cup size, it may NOT cover your entire breast. This is normal and intentional, as well. The function of the inner cami is to have a place to put the nursing pads, if ever, and to hold the bottom cami-corset in place. Also, the lesser it covers, the easier it is for you to nurse. We wanted as little fabric as possible in this section so there is less to pull down and there is no bunching anywhere.

Where's the nursing pad pocket?

The nursing pad pocket is located in the inner cami-corset's demi cups. The pocket is made of a thin mesh lining that holds your pads in place. When you are done nursing, you can also use this pocket to put breast cups, if you wish. You may not know this yet, but after nursing, breasts have been known to shrink a bit. So if you want to keep wearing the corsierre as a top after you're done nursing, and you wanna give yourself a boost (*wink*), you still can.

How should it fit me?

You can get a fit that is like second skin or if you feel you prefer the looser look, go up one size without compromising the bra's fit. The fabric is stretchy enough to see you through many body changes and durable enough to withstand many washes and still hold its shape. We prefer it when worn snugly because the top looks AMAZING when filled out, but some women may not be as comfortable with such bravado so they buy a safer size. It does look good either way. My personal advice is to buy one that is a size small for you and keep it as a "motivation" top. Remember, nursing burns an extra 500 calories.

It's not what I expected, I would like to return it. Can I?

Really? Sure. We offer a 30 day hassle free guarantee. Simply contact us by phone or email and we will refund your money in full. We want you to be happy with your corsierre, no less! It helps to speak with us about your purchase because we live on feedback and we are constantly working hard to improve on our products.

I love it...what other colors do you have?

Our classics collection is consists of 3 colors: simply black, sexy red and sporty gray. If you already have all three, well, we have seasonal WEB exclusives like teal, rose and charcoal for starters. As time goes on, you can look forward to more variants plus added details or even a dress or sleeved versions. Who knows? With your support and patronage, the sky's is the limit.

Well that wraps up this portion of our FAQ ---frankly addressed queries answered by Anna. For women who claim to have "new mommy" brain, you guys ask a lot of questions. Thanks! No really, Thanks.