

CODENAME

OPERATION MACE

◆ Week by Week ◆

- ▶ EDITION FREE TO SHARE · WEEK BY WEEK
- ▶ SUBJECT Dark robes + purple saber
- ▶ SCHEDULE 4 weeks plan
- ▶ BUILD TIME 10-25 hrs
- ▶ FORMAT Do this, then that

**A LONG TIME AGO, IN A WORKSHOP FAR, FAR
AWAY....**

4 WEEKS WEEK BY WEEK

The senior Jedi on the High Council, built the way it should be: layered charcoal and dark-brown robes, a heavy hooded outer robe, a calm bald head – and the one purple blade in the whole galaxy. Beginner-friendly soft goods, but the colour of that saber is everything.

Steady wins. May the Force be with you.



4 WEEKS TO MACE

Week 4	Lock the purple saber first – buy or start the hilt. Order/gather dark robes, tabards, belt, boots	.
Week 3	First fit: layer inner tunic, outer tunic and tabards. Confirm everything reads DARK, not tan	.
Week 2	Hem the hooded robe off the floor. Fit the obi + leather belt and mount the saber clip	.
Week 1	Bald head/cap test, dial the saber to the right purple, full dress rehearsal, then game day	.
APPENDIX	Quick reference & game day	.

⌚ YOUR FIRST WEEKS — WHERE MOST BUILDS DIE

Nearly every abandoned build dies in the first quarter: parts not ordered, printer not tested, nothing started. Win the first weeks — order everything, print one test piece — and the rest is downhill.



PICK YOUR BAR

*One purple blade, one bald head — here's how far you take the Jedi who sat at the head of the Council. The same build can be finished to three different bars — pick yours **now**, because builders who polish for the wrong one burn weeks.*

LEAN · €70-120

Casual

Reads as Mace Windu at 5m: dark layered tunics, a leather belt, a bald head and a purple blade sell it from across the hall. Run a cheap purple-capable saber, use a powdered bald cap, and keep every fabric matte and dark.

EFFORT · ~10 hrs

MID · €120-200

Convention

Reads as Mace Windu at conversation distance: this is where most builders land — properly cut wool-blend tunic, tabards and obi in the right charcoal/brown, a real tooled-leather belt, and a heavy hooded robe with weight. A mid-tier hilt set to a true violet on a quick-draw clip seals the Jedi Master silhouette.

EFFORT · ~17 hrs

REBEL LEGION · €260+

Approved

Reads as Mace Windu under inspection: screen-accuracy means correct fabric weights and dark colours, hand-finished tabards and hooded robe, and an accurate machined hilt with a screen-matched purple blade. This is the lifetime piece a costuming club will stamp.

EFFORT · ~25 hrs



THE FALLBACK PLAN

*A first-time build of this suit is **10–25 hrs** of hands-on work across **4 weeks**. Life happens — so decide right now what gets cut when the clock wins. Finished beats perfect.*

BEHIND EARLY Drop first: Hands (Bare). Nobody will notice at 5m.

BEHIND LATE Simplify next: Trousers, Brown Leather Boots — buy instead of make, or borrow.

EMERGENCY Every printed part has a buy option. Switching one part to bought can save a whole week.

ALWAYS The final week is for wearing it, not building it — dress rehearsal beats one more coat of paint.

🕒 THE HONEST RULE

If a piece is not started two weeks before the event, it is not in this year's costume. Build it for the next one.



LOCK THE PURPLE SABER FIRST — BUY OR START THE HILT. ORDER/GATHER DARK ROBES, TABARDS, BELT, BOOTS

WEEK 4

Lock the purple saber first — buy or start the hilt. Order/gather dark robes, tabards, belt, boots.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

CRITICAL Outer Tunic & Tabards — ⌚ 3h · €30

The tabards should hang straight and even. Pin them to the obi so they don't drift sideways when you move or fight.

HIGH Obi Sash + Wide Leather Belt — ⌚ 1h · €22

Add the saber clip to the belt now, not on game day — you want the hilt to hang cleanly at the hip and detach fast for photos.

CRITICAL Heavy Hooded Outer Robe — ⌚ 3h · €40

Buy or sew it in a heavy wool-blend so it hangs with weight. Hem it to just above the floor — a robe that drags gets stepped on and looks sloppy.

PROGRESS · PHASE 1 OF 4 · 25% THROUGH THE PLAN



FIRST FIT: LAYER INNER TUNIC, OUTER TUNIC AND TABARDS. CONFIRM EVERYTHING READS DARK, NOT TAN

WEEK 3

First fit: layer inner tunic, outer tunic and tabards. Confirm everything reads DARK, not tan.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

HIGHInner Tunic (Base Layer) — ⌚ 2h · €20

Pick a matte linen-look or wool-blend fabric. Anything shiny instantly reads as a cheap costume, not a Jedi Master.

CRITICALOuter Tunic & Tabards — ⌚ 3h · €30

The tabards should hang straight and even. Pin them to the obi so they don't drift sideways when you move or fight.

CRITICALHeavy Hooded Outer Robe — ⌚ 3h · €40

Buy or sew it in a heavy wool-blend so it hangs with weight. Hem it to just above the floor — a robe that drags gets stepped on and looks sloppy.

PROGRESS · PHASE 2 OF 4 · 50% THROUGH THE PLAN



HEM THE HOODED ROBE OFF THE FLOOR. FIT THE OBI + LEATHER BELT AND MOUNT THE SABER CLIP

WEEK 2

Hem the hooded robe off the floor. Fit the obi + leather belt and mount the saber clip.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

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CRITICALHeavy Hooded Outer Robe — ⌚ 3h · €40

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MEDIUMBrown Leather Boots — ⌚ 1h · €20

Thrift or reuse a pair of plain brown boots and rub off any logos — screen-accurate boots are just clean and simple.

PROGRESS · PHASE 3 OF 4 · 75% THROUGH THE PLAN



BALD HEAD/CAP TEST, DIAL THE SABER TO THE RIGHT PURPLE, FULL DRESS REHEARSAL, THEN GAME DAY

WEEK 1

Bald head/cap test, dial the saber to the right purple, full dress rehearsal, then game day.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

CRITICAL Bald Head & Calm Face — ⌚ 1h · €12

If you use a bald cap, powder it matte so it never shines under lights — a shiny cap reads as plastic across the room.

CRITICAL Purple Lightsaber — ⌚ 4h · €35

Test the exact purple under warm hall lighting before the con. Some 'purple' LEDs wash out pink or blue on camera — you want a deep violet that still reads purple in photos.

PROGRESS · PHASE 4 OF 4 · 100% THROUGH THE PLAN



MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU

"This party's over."

— ALWAYS —

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