

PATTERN OVERVIEW

Made-to-measure pattern:

The pattern is drafted by our proprietary software specifically for your measurements that you supply when making an online order. We strongly recommend that you request a free preview to check the style lines and the amount of fabric needed before ordering the paid version.

Pattern features:

Flared dress with V-neck and bell sleeves, zipper in center back seam. The length is at the kneecap, ease around waist is approx. 1", ease around hips approx. 1.5" depending on the size.

Recommendations on fabric: natural or mixed fabric suitable for dresses.

You will also need: fusible interfacing, 1 zipper (the length in cm and inches is mentioned on the pattern piece).

Seam allowances:

If the pattern has double contour the seam allowances are included and are as follows: 1/2 inch on all edges, 5/8 inch on center back seam for zipper installation, hem of skirt – 1.5 inch.

Attention! Seam allowances are NOT included by default and need to be added when laying out and cutting details if your pattern has single contour.

Fabric requirements:

To estimate fabric requirements, get a free preview for the pattern in your size at www.Lekala.net and use [Online Fabric Estimator](#). Alternatively you may print all the paper patterns and lay them out at the width of fabric you plan to use (usually 44 inches to 60 inches) to see how much fabric you will need. Don't forget to count pair parts and symmetrical parts.

When sewing the garment, pay attention to notches, they must match up.



CUTTING:

Note on cutting:

Lay out your pieces according to straight of grain as marked on the pattern pieces.

Some pieces will be cut on the fold, the corresponding edge will then be marked with a fold mark. Kindly pay attention to notes regarding type of fabric and quantity of required pieces on a block. For example, [Main, Interfacing - cut 1+1] on a pattern piece means that you need to cut 1 piece as is and 1 mirrored piece from the main fabric as well as from interfacing.

Make sure to mark all notches and other design features such as pleats etc. from the pattern piece onto your fabric. When sewing the garment, pay attention to notches, they must match up.

Main fabric:

1. Center front - cut 1 on fold
2. Center back - cut 2
3. Side back - cut 2
4. Side front - cut 2
5. Sleeve - cut 2
6. Front neck facing - cut 1
7. Back neck facing - cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Front neck facing - cut 1
2. Back neck facing - cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing to listed pieces.
2. Serge center back edges separately. Sew center back seam from zipper mark down to hem. Install zipper.

INVISIBLE ZIPPER: - Mark the contour of the pieces on the RIGHT side of fabric using a removable chalk or marker. Alternatively, press the seam allowances and use the fold line as the guidance. - Open the zipper. Position the zipper onto the fabric, to position the zipper correctly into the fabric you will need to place the RIGHT side of the zip onto the RIGHT side of the fabric. With the teeth of the zip facing AWAY from the seam allowance (edge of the fabric). - Position the teeth of the zip onto the drawn line, and position the clear zip stopper at the top of the zip on the horizontal starting line you drew previously (top edge of the fabric), pin, baste or tack zipper in place. - At the sewing machine change the standard foot to the invisible zipper foot (if you don't have one, use standard zipper foot). - Sew along the zip, gently pull the teeth open with your fingers. Stop when the foot touches the zipper pull at the end of the zip (you will not be able to sew any further than this). Back stitch. - Repeat for the other side. - Sew center back seam AFTER you have installed the zipper, stitch as closely as you can to the end of the zipper. - Slipstitch the opening and press.

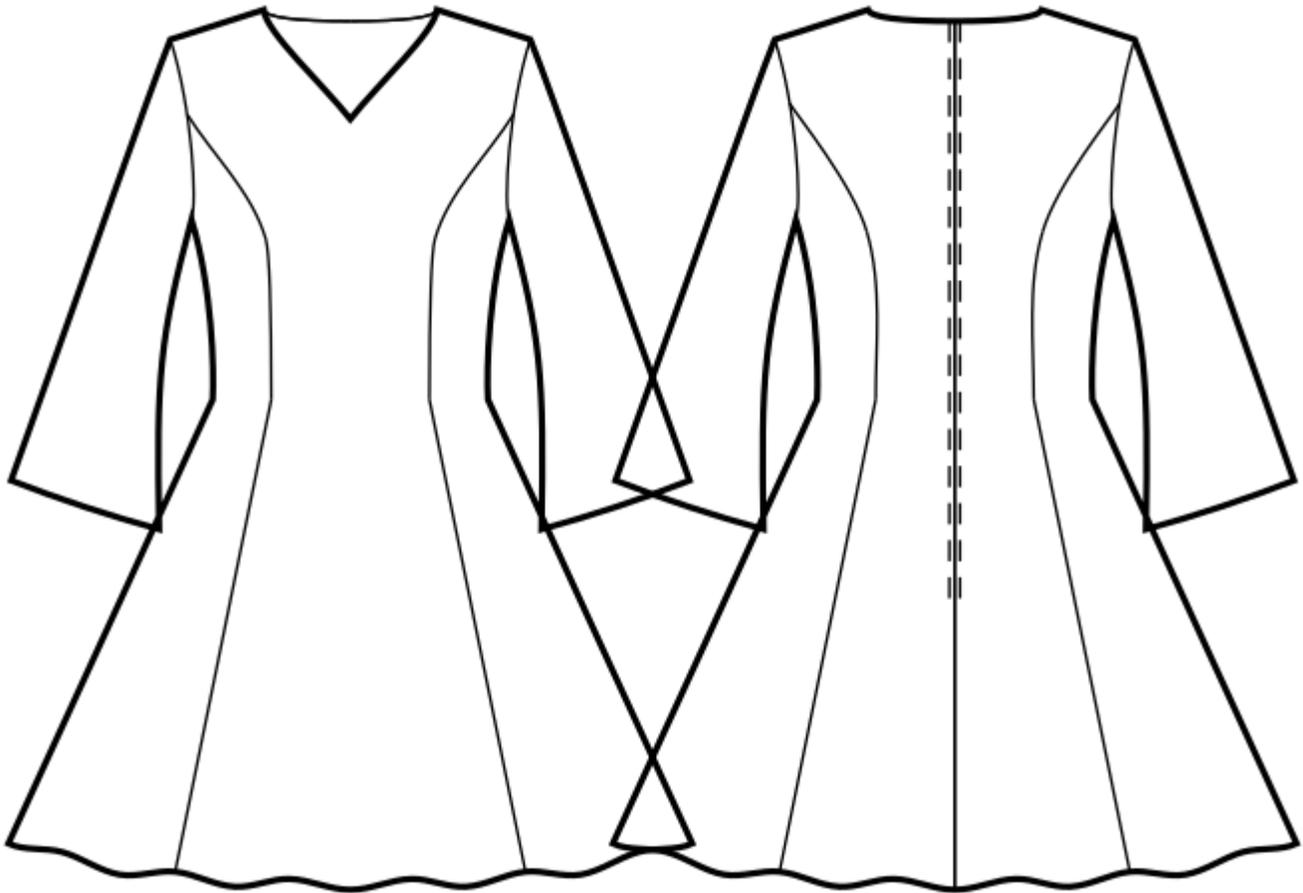
LAPPED ZIPPER: - Sew center back seam from marking down up to the vent corner if your pattern suggests a vent, or down to hem. - Press the seam apart, pressing the slit for zipper at the same time. - Baste the zipper opening. - Lay the zipper face down on the wrong side of the dress. (The teeth will be touching the right side of the pressed-flat seam allowances.) - Hold the zipper in place by connecting both sides of the zipper tape to the corresponding seam allowances using either pins, tape, or a machine baste. - Stitch-rip a 2" (5 cm) opening in the basted seam to expose the zipper pull. - Change your sewing machine's regular presser foot to a zipper foot. - Sew a topstitch "U" around your zipper from the fabric right side, catching the zipper tape, avoiding the zipper teeth, and pivoting around the bottom zipper stop. (Any time you get to the zipper pull, drop your needle in the fabric, lift your presser foot, and slide the zipper pull out of the way through the stitch-ripped opening. Lower the presser foot and continue sewing.)

3. Sew shoulder seams. Serge and press towards back.
4. Sew shoulder seams of neckline facings. Press seam open and serge. Serge outer edge of facings. Pin facing onto Shell right sides together, adjusting neckline edges. Fold the facing away all the way along EXCEPT for the area 5 mm from the edge of dress zipper and pin it to upper edge of garment. Fold seam allowances along zipper onto right side and pin to neckline on top of facings. Sew the neckline.

Clip into curves, turn pieces right side out and press. Slip stitch facing to seam allowances of shoulder seam on Shell. Slipstitch facing to zipper tape.

5. Sew sleeves into armholes matching notches and gathering ease on cap. Serge and press seam towards sleeve.
6. Sew side and sleeve seams with one continuous stitch. Serge and press seams towards back.
7. Serge lower edge of sleeves. Turn under, press and topstitch or slip stitch as desired.
8. Serge hem, turn under, press and topstitch or slip stitch as desired.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:



*If you have any further questions regarding the pattern,
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