

## Top With Tie - Sewing Pattern #2226

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed knit fabrics of medium or high stretchiness.

Seam allowances: seam allowance for hem of garment and hem of sleeve – 1.5 cm, other seams 1 cm.

### Note on seam allowances:

- If the pattern has double contour the seam allowances are included. They are 1 cm unless specified otherwise.
- If the pattern has single contour, the seam allowances are NOT included and need to be added when laying out the pattern.

### Note on length of fabric:

Attention! The amount of fabric needed for your pattern is not included. It will depend on the selected pattern size, the width, and design of the fabric you plan to use. First, print all the paper patterns and lay them out at the width of fabric you plan to use (usually from 90 to 150 cm). Measure how much fabric you will need. Don't forget to account for pieces that need to be cut multiple times and pieces that are cut on the fold.

### Note on working with stretchy fabric:

Knitted fabric pieces are sewn together with special elastic or narrow zig-zag stitch. Seam allowance on hems can be stitched with twin needles to save stretchiness. Pieces can also be sewn together with a serger. When serging, cut seam allowances to 0.6 – 0.8 cm.



## CUTTING:

### Note on cutting:

On the pattern pieces, "beam" means straight of grain. Lay out your pieces accordingly. Some pieces will be cut on the fold. This is noted on the pattern piece. Mark all notches and other design features such as pleats etc. from the pattern onto your fabric.

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

Main fabric:

1. Back – cut 1
2. Lower front – cut 1
3. Middle front – cut 2
4. Upper front – cut 4

5. Sleeve – cut 2
6. Back neck facing – cut 1
7. Tie – cut 1

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Pin pieces of center front together, right sides together, and sew the corner between the O marks. Trim away corner.
2. Pin pieces of centre front together, right sides together, along the upper edge. Sew the area from notch to O mark. Clip into seam allowance near the notch, turn the piece right side out.
3. Pin upper fronts together, right sides together, place the center front in between and sew. The seam goes from side edge to shoulder edge. Turn pieces right side out and press. Treat as one piece in the future.
4. Clip into seam allowance between the notches on the upper edge of lower front. Serge the edge, fold onto wrong side, press and topstitch.
5. Sew center front to lower front, serge and press.
6. Serge outer edge of back neckline facing. Pin facing to back right sides together and sew the neckline (start and stop stitching exactly at the marked line of shoulder seam). Trim seam allowances, fold facing onto wrong side and press. Sew shoulder seams, inserting Front between Back and Back Facing. Press seams towards back and serge. Topstitch facing onto back along the lower edge.
7. Sew side seams, press seams towards back and serge.
8. Serge lower edge of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch. Sew sleeves into armholes, serge and press.
9. Cut (or take ready) bias tape, its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal the length of lower armhole + 6 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise right side out and press. Pin bias tape to armhole edge from the right side and sew. Fold bias tape onto wrong side, clip into seam allowances and topstitch onto main piece along the seam. Press seam.
10. Serge lower edge of garment, fold onto wrong side, press and topstitch.
11. Fold the tie in half lengthwise right sides together and sew, and leave an opening unsewn along the lower edge, so that you can turn out the piece later. Turn the piece right side out, straighten and press. Thread the tie into the opening on Front and tie a knot.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

