

## Dress With Horizontal Pleats - Sewing Pattern #2276

Recommendations on fabric: soft natural/mixed fabric suitable for dresses in contrasting or similar color.

You will also need: fusible interfacing, dress zipper.

Seam allowances: seam allowance for hem of garment and hem of sleeve — 2.0 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.*



## 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. Upper back – cut 2
2. Lower back — cut 2
3. Upper front — cut 2
4. Lower front — cut 1 on fold
5. Sleeve — cut 2

Main fabric 1:

1. Back placket — cut 2
2. Back belt — cut 2
3. Front belt — cut 1
4. Back neck facing — cut 4
5. Front facing — cut 4

Fusible interfacing:

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

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Make and topstitch pleats on Upper Back (the bulk is on the right side and is directed towards bottom). Sew Back Placket to Upper Back, press seam allowances onto placket and serge. Sew back neckline facing to upper back, press towards facing. Sew back belt to upper part, press seam allowances towards belt and serge.
3. Make and topstitch pleats on Lower Back (the bulk is on the right side and is directed towards bottom). Sew lower back to belt, press seam allowances towards belt and serge.
4. Serge center back edges separately. Sew center back seam from notch for zipper to bottom, press seam apart. Sew in zipper.
5. Sew darts on Upper Front, press bulk towards top. Make and topstitch pleats on Upper Front (the bulk is on the right side and is directed towards bottom). Sew front facing to upper front, press towards facing. Sew center seam on front from notch to bottom, press seam apart. Sew front belt to upper piece, press seam allowances towards belt and serge.
6. Make and topstitch pleats on Lower Front (the bulk is on the right side and is directed towards bottom). Sew lower front to belt, press seam allowances towards belt and serge.
7. Sew side and shoulder seams, press seams towards back and serge.
8. Sew shoulder seams and the front edge of front facings from notch to bottom, press seam apart. Serge outer edge. Pin facing to garment right sides together and sew neckline and front slit, clip into curves, trim away corners. Turn facing under, straighten, press. Stitch-in-the-ditch into the seam of outer facing.
9. Make and topstitch pleats on Sleeve (the bulk is on the right side and is directed towards bottom). Sew sleeve seam, press seams towards back and serge. Sew sleeves into armholes matching notches and adjusting ease. Serge and press.
10. Serge hem of garment and lower edge of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

11. Cut a tie from main fabric 1, its width should equal 4 cm of the mentioned length. Fold tie in half lengthwise wrong sides together and press. Straighten the piece, fold the edges to the center line, press again. Topstitch at 0.1 cm from the edge. Cut in two. Sew ties to neckline.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

