

Blouse - Sewing Pattern #2353

Recommendations on fabric: Natural/mixed fabrics suitable for blouses.

You will also need: fusible interfacing, 3 buttons.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance along the lower edge of the garment - 1.5 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. Back - cut 2
2. Front - cut 1 on fold
3. Sleeve - cut 2
4. Cuff - cut 2
5. Neckline facing - cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Neckline facing - cut 1
2. Cuff - cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Serge center back edges separately. Sew center edge from the marking for slit down to the lower edge. Press seam apart.
3. Cut slit on sleeve along the marked line. Cut bias tape from main fabric (or take ready), its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal two lengths of slit +4 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise and press. Press outer seam allowances towards center. Sew bias tape to slit of sleeve (pin bias tape to slit edge from the right side and sew, fold bias tape onto wrong side and topstitch onto garment along fold line).
4. Sew sleeves to back, press seams towards back and serge. Sew sleeves to front, press towards front and serge.
5. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of necklines and of the sleeves and gather fullness. Make most gathers near the center of pieces.
6. Cut (or take ready) bias tape, its width should equal 2.5 cm and its length should equal 10 cm for loop buttonhole. Fold tape in half lengthwise right sides together and stitch at 0.3 cm from fold. Cut away seam allowances close to seam, turn tape right side out and straighten rolled hem. Adjust length of the loop.
7. Pin together facings right sides together and sew neckline and shorter edges, inserting loop buttonhole. Clip into curves, fold inner facing onto wrong side and press. Sew outer facing into neckline. Press seam allowances towards facing. Fold inside the raw edge of inner facing and stitch in the ditch.
8. Serge side edges and sleeve edges separately. Sew together from hem of sleeve up to the marking for slit and press apart. Topstitch seam allowance along the slit at 0.5 cm from the edge.
9. Pin cuffs together, right sides together and sew side edges. Start and stop stitching exactly at the marked seam line cuffs. Turn the piece right side out, press. Sew a gathering stitch along lower edge of sleeve and gather fullness. Sew outer side of cuff to sleeve, fold inside the seam allowance of inner cuff and stitch-in-the-ditch into seam of outer cuff.
10. Serge hem of garment, turn inside and topstitch.
11. Make buttonholes on cuffs. Sew on buttons onto cuffs and onto facing.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

