

## Knit Blouse - Sewing Pattern #2347

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed knit fabric of medium 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.

1. Back - cut 2
2. Front - cut 1 on fold
3. Sleeve - cut 2
4. Upper front - cut 2

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Sew center back seam. Serge and press towards back.
2. Sew the shoulder edges of the back and upper front. Serge seams and press towards back.
3. Cut (or take ready) bias tape , its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal the length of neckline + 4 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise right side out and press. Pin bias tape to neckline 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. Pin right front onto left front and baste together along lower edge.
4. Sew a gathering stitch along the straight area of the upper edge of Front and gather fullness. Sew the upper part to Front. Serge and press towards top.
5. Sew side seams, press seams towards back and serge.
6. Sew sleeve seam, press seams towards back and serge. Sew sleeves into armholes, serge and press.
7. Serge lower edge of garment and hem of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

## **TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

