

Blouse With Pleats On Sleeve - Sewing Pattern #2362

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed stable knit fabric with medium stretchiness and heavier weight.

Seam allowances: seam allowance along hem of garment, hem of sleeve, right front neckline, neckline edge and lower edge of lower front - 1.5 cm, other seams 0.8 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 on fold
2. Front right - cut 1
3. Front left - cut 1

4. Sleeve - cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Serge seam allowance of neckline on left front, turn under, press and topstitch.
2. Sew left front to right front, serge and press towards bottom, continue on seam allowance along neckline of right front. Press onto wrong side and topstitch seam allowance along neckline of right front.
3. Serge, press onto wrong side and topstitch seam allowance of back neckline.
4. Sew shoulder and side seams, press seams towards back and serge.
5. Mark and make pleats on sleeve (fold bulk towards bottom). Baste pleats along sleeve cap. Sew sleeve seam, serge and press. Sew sleeves into armholes, serge and press.
6. Serge hem of garment and lower edge of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

Tip: you may slipstitch pleats on sleeve to fix them in place.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

