

Dress With Plunging Back - Sewing Pattern #2480

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabric suitable for dresses. Fabric in contrasting color for decoration.

You will also need: dress zipper; fusible interfacing; 3 hooks and eyes.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance for hem - 3.0 cm; seam allowance along the slit on lower back - 2 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. Side upper front - cut 2
4. Center upper front - cut 1 on fold
5. Lower front - cut 1 on fold
6. Back opening facing - cut 2

7. Front neck facing - cut 1

Main fabric 1:

1. Belt - cut 1

Fusible interfacing:

1. Back opening facing - cut 2
2. Front neck facing - cut 1

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply interfacing to facings.
2. Sew princess seams on upper fronts, press towards center and serge. Sew darts on lower backs, press bulk towards center.
3. Sew upper back to lower back, press towards top and serge. Sew upper front to lower front, press towards top and serge.
4. Serge separately center back edges. Sew center back seam from notch for zipper down to notch for slit. Press seam apart, pressing the slit at the same time. Sew in zipper. Topstitch slit at 0.1 cm from fold.
5. Sew shoulder seams, press seams towards back and serge.
6. Sew shoulder seams on back opening facing and front neckline facing, press seam apart. Serge outer edge. Pin facing to garment right sides together and sew the front neckline and the back opening. Fold facing onto wrong side, straighten, press. Slipstitch facing to shell along shoulder seams, center back seam.
7. Cut (or take ready) bias tape , its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal the length of armhole + 4 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.
8. Sew side seams, press seams towards back and serge.
9. Serge lower edge of garment, press onto wrong side and finish with hidden stitches.
10. Make and baste pleats on the belt. Fold belt in half lengthwise right sides together and sew three edges, inserting into center edges hooks and eyes and and leave an opening unsewn along the lower edge, so that you can turn out the piece later. Turn belt right side out, straighten, press. Sew the opening closed.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

