

Dress With Decorative Skirt - Sewing Pattern #2516

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed knit fabric of small stretchiness in contrasting or similar color.

You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance along the hem of dress and hem of sleeve, along the center edge of fly piece, along the neckline of left front and right front - 2.0 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. Upper left back - cut 1

2. Upper right back - cut 1
3. Upper left front - cut 1
4. Upper right front - cut 1
5. Sleeve - cut 2
6. Back neck facing - cut 2

Main fabric 1:

1. Lower left back - cut 1
2. Lower right back - cut 1
3. Lower front - cut 1
4. Fly piece - cut 1

Fusible interfacing:

1. Back neck facing - cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply interfacing to facings. Also apply fusible interfacing to the neckline edge on upper fronts.
2. Sew upper right back to lower right back, press towards top and serge. Sew upper left back to lower left back, press towards top and serge.
3. Serge center back edges separately on each piece. Sew center back seam from marking for zipper to lower edge, press seam apart. Sew in zipper.
4. Sew dart on front, press bulk towards top.
5. Serge seam allowance on the neckline of upper left front, press onto wrong side and topstitch. Sew left upper front to right upper front, press seam allowances towards the right part and serge, continue to serge up to the shoulder seam. Press seam allowance along neckline of right front onto wrong side and topstitch.
6. Make and baste pleats on the fly piece. Serge the center and the lower edges, press onto wrong side and topstitch. Pin fly piece at lower front and baste together along upper edge and side edge. Sew upper front to lower front, press seam allowances towards top and serge.
7. Serge outer edge of back neckline facing. Pin neckline facing onto Back and sew neckline exactly up to the marked line of shoulder seam. Clip seam allowances, fold facing onto wrong side and press.
8. Sew shoulder seams, inserting the Front between the Back and the Facing, press seams towards back and serge. Slipstitch facing to zipper tape.
9. Sew side seams, press seams towards back and serge.

10. Sew sleeve seam, press seams towards back and serge. Sew sleeves into armholes matching notches and adjusting ease, serge and press.

11. Seam allowance for hem of garment and hem of sleeve serge, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

TECHNICAL DRAWING: