

Dress With Decorative Neckline - Sewing Pattern #2540

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabric suitable for dresses.

You will also need: lining; fusible interfacing; dress zipper.

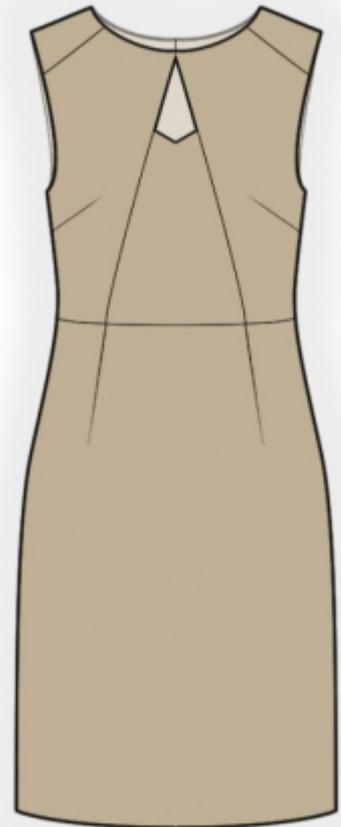
Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of dress - 3 cm; seam allowance along the slit on lower back piece - 2 cm.

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 center back - cut 2
2. Upper side back - cut 2
3. Lower back - cut 2
4. Upper center front - cut 1
5. Upper side front - cut 2
6. Lower front - cut 1 on fold

Lining:

1. Upper center back - cut 2
2. Upper side back - cut 2
3. Upper center front - cut 1
4. Upper side front - cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing to the neckline, the décolleté and the armholes.
2. Sew princess seams on upper back, press towards center, serge.
3. Sew darts on lower backs, press bulk towards center. Sew upper back to lower back, press towards top and serge.
4. Serge center back edges separately on each piece. Sew center back seam from notch for zipper down to notch for slit, press seam apart. Sew in zipper. Sew a fixing stitch line along the slit at 0.2 cm from the edge.
5. Sew front darts, press bulk towards top.
6. Pin upper center fronts together main fabric and of lining right sides together and sew upper edge. Trim away corners, turn pieces right side out, straighten, press. Treat as one piece in the future.
7. Pin together the upper side front from the main fabric and the upper side front from lining, insert upper central front in between and sew the princess seam, stopping at 5 cm from the neckline. Turn pieces right side out, straighten, press.
8. Sew darts on lower front, press bulk towards center. Sew upper front to lower front, press towards top and serge.
9. Sew shoulder seams on pieces from main fabric, press seam apart. Sew side seams on pieces from main fabric, press seams towards back and serge.
10. Sew seams on lining, serge and press. Serge lower edge. Pin lining to garment right sides together and sew neckline and the area of the front princess seam that has remained unsewn. Clip into curves, trim away corners. Turn garment right side out. Sew armhole in two steps: first sew the front armhole, then sew the back armhole. Sew by hand the lining to the zipper tape and to the waist seam.
11. Seam allowance for hem serge, press onto wrong side and finish with hidden stitches.
12. Sew the upper side fronts together by hand in the neckline area.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

