

## Blouse With Decorative Placket - Sewing Pattern #2551

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabrics suitable for blouses.

You will also need: fusible interfacing; 4 buttons.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance along the lower edge of the garment - 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. Back - cut 1 on fold
2. Front - cut 1 on fold
3. Sleeve - cut 2
4. Placket - cut 2
5. Back yoke - cut 1
6. Cuff - cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Cuff - cut 2
2. Placket — cut 2

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew darts on front (if the size implies these). Press bulk towards top.
3. Pin together plackets in half lengthwise right sides together and sew the upper side. Trim away the seam allowance, turn right side out and press. Sew plackets to front along longer edge, leaving the distance of 1 cm away from hem. Clip into seam allowance on front, leaving 1 mm to the stitch line. Pin right placket onto left placket. Sew together ends of plackets, folding away the front and fixing the lower edge. Serge.
4. Serge lower edge of back yoke. Pin back to yoke, right sides together and sew neckline. Trim seam allowances, clip into curves, fold away yoke onto wrong side and press.
5. Insert the seam allowance of front in between back and yoke, back with yoke to front. Topstitch the lower edge of yoke onto back from the right side.
6. Sew side seams. Serge seams and press towards back.
7. Cut slit on sleeve along the marked line. Cut bias tape from main fabric (or take ready), its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal two lengths of slit +4 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise and press. Press outer seam allowances towards center. Sew bias tape to slit of sleeve (pin bias tape to slit edge from the right side and sew, fold bias tape onto wrong side and topstitch onto garment along fold line). Make and baste the pleat on sleeve. The bulk is directed away from the closure.
8. Sew sleeve seam. Serge and press towards back. Sew sleeves into armholes. Serge and press.
9. Fold cuffs in half lengthwise right sides together and sew side edges. Start and stop stitching exactly at the marked seam line cuffs. Turn the piece right side out, press. Sew the outer part of the cuff to the sleeve, fold inside the inner side of the cuff, and topstitch into the seam of the outer cuff cuffs.
10. Serge the lower edge of garment. Press onto wrong side and topstitch.
11. Make buttonholes on cuffs. Sew on buttons at cuffs.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

