

Dress With Decorative Pleat - Sewing Pattern #2559

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabrics with elastane suitable for dresses, knit fabric of small stretchiness.

You will also need: dress zipper.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance along lower edge of garment and lower edge of sleeve – 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 2
2. Front - cut 1
3. Sleeve - cut 2
4. Collar - cut 1
5. Pocket bag - cut 4

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew darts on back, press the inner part towards center. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from top to the zipper mark, and from the zipper mark to hem. Seam Allowances press apart. Sew in zipper.
3. Sew darts on front. Press bulk towards top.
4. Sew the pleat edges on front from the wrong side. Serge. Straighten the seam and press. Fold the front piece lengthwise, wrong sides together, connect the marked lines and sew a decorative / fixing stitch. Fold the inner part of pleat towards the side edge, and sew the pleat by hand to the shoulder edge.
5. Sew pocket bag to front and to back. Start and stop stitching exactly at the marked line of the pocket opening. Sew side edges in two steps: from top to beginning of pocket, and from the pocket down to hem. Serge side edges, serging the seam allowance of lining at the same time. Press the seam allowances along the side edges apart. Sew together edges of pocket bags. Serge seam allowances on pocket bags.
6. Sew shoulder seams. Press seams towards back and serge.
7. Sew collar into a ring. Seam Allowance press apart. Fold collar in half lengthwise and press. Sew outer collar into neckline, fold under the seam allowance of inner collar and topstitch into seam of.
8. Sew sleeve seam. Serge and press towards back. Sew sleeves into armholes. Serge and press.
9. Serge hem and hem of sleeve. Press onto wrong side and topstitch.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

