

## Chinese Dress - Sewing Pattern #2572

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper, 5 buttons.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance along hem of garment and hem of sleeve - 3.0 cm. Seam allowance along the slit on back and front - 3.0 cm. Seam allowance along the lower edge of the upper front - 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. Center back - cut 2
2. Side back - cut 2
3. Front - cut 1
4. Upper front - cut 1
5. Sleeve - cut 2
6. Stand collar - cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Stand collar – cut 1

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew side backs to center back, press towards center, serge.
3. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew center back seam from neckline to first marking, and from second marking down to hem, press the seam apart. Sew in zipper.
4. Sew darts on front, press the bulk of waist darts towards center, press the bulk of bust darts towards top.
5. Cut (or take ready) bias tape, its width should equal 2.5 cm and its length should equal 30 cm for loop buttonholes. Fold tape in half lengthwise right sides together and stitch at 0.3 cm from fold. Cut away seam allowances close to seam, turn tape right side out and straighten the rolled piece. Cut into three parts, adjust length of the loop. Topstitch the button loops onto the upper edge of front.
6. Cut or use ready-made bias tape, its width should equal 4 cm and its length should equal the length of the upper edge of front + 4 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise right side out and press. Pin the bias tape to the upper edge of front from the right side and sew. Fold bias tape onto wrong side and topstitch onto main piece along the seam. Press seam. Serge the lower edge of upper front. Pin front onto upper front, matching the seam lines, and topstitch from the side edge up to the mark.
7. Sew shoulder seams, press towards the back and serge.
8. Pin together parts of stand collar, right sides together and sew the outer edge. Clip seam allowances, turn stand collar right side out, straighten, press. Sew outer stand collar into neckline, press seam allowances towards stand collar. Fold under the seam allowance of the inner stand collar and topstitch into seam of.
9. Sew darts on the sleeve cap, press bulk towards center. Sew sleeves into armholes, clipping into seam allowances near corners, serge and press.
10. Serge separately side edges. Sew side seams processing the sleeve seam at the same time, press the seam apart. Serge the lower edge of garment, sew the lower edges of the slits, turn right side out, straighten, press. Hem the sides of the slits and the lower edge with hidden stitches.
11. Serge lower edge of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch.
12. Sew on buttons on the upper front according to the button loops and buttons.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

