

## Dress With Decorative Sleeve - Sewing Pattern #2653

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper.

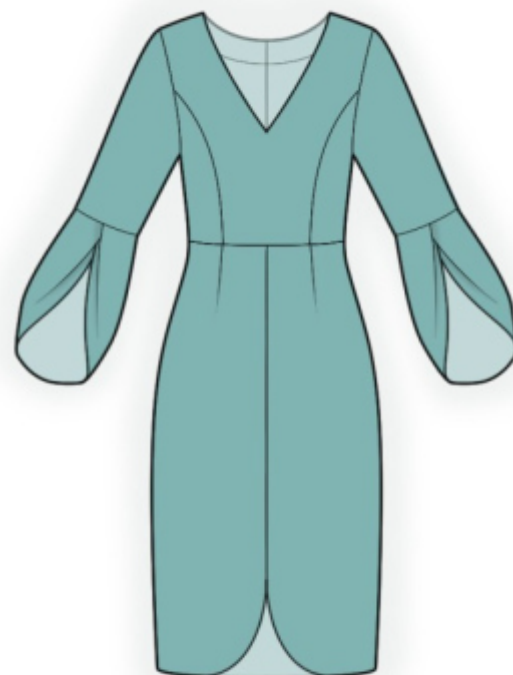
Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of back and hem of sleeve - 1.5 cm.

### 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 upper back - cut 2
2. Side upper back - cut 2
3. Center lower back - cut 2
4. Side lower back - cut 2
5. Center upper front - cut 1 on fold
6. Side upper front - cut 2
7. Lower front - cut 2

8. Upper sleeve – cut 2
9. Lower sleeve — cut 2
10. Front neck facing — cut 1
11. Back neck facing — cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

2. Front neck facing — cut 1
3. Back neck facing — cut 2

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew princess seams on upper back, press towards center, serge. Sew princess seams of lower back (sew side backs to center back), press towards center, serge. Sew upper back to lower back, press towards top and serge.
3. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from zipper mark to hem, press the seam apart. Sew in zipper.
4. Sew princess seams on upper front, press towards center and serge.
5. Serge the center edges and the lower edges of the lower front separately. Sew the center edge on lower front from top to notch. Press the seam allowances apart, press the seam allowance along the hem at the same time. Fold the seam allowance along the shaped lower edge of the front onto wrong side and topstitch and press. Sew a horizontal stitch line where the two front pieces meet to prevent the fabric from tearing.
6. Sew upper front to lower front, press towards top and serge.
7. Sew side and shoulder seams, press towards the back and serge.
8. Sew the shoulder seams of the neckline facings, press the seam apart. Serge the outer edge. Pin facing to garment right sides together and sew the neckline. Clip into curves, turn pieces right side out, straighten, press. Slipstitch facing to garment along the shoulder seam and the zipper tape.
9. Sew sleeve seam. Serge and press towards back. Serge lower edge of sleeve, fold inside the seam allowance and topstitch. Make and baste the back pleats, bulks are directed towards each other. Pin back sleeve onto front sleeve at 0.5 cm, make the first front pleat, then the back pleat, and so on. Slip stitch the pleats together. Sew upper sleeve to lower sleeve. Serge and press towards top.
10. Sew sleeves into armholes, serge and press.
11. Serge the seam allowance along the lower edge of back, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

