

## Blouse With Decorative Bow - Sewing Pattern #2693

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; 1 dress zipper.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance along lower edge of garment and lower edge 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 back - cut 2
2. Side back - cut 2
3. Back yoke - cut 1
4. Front - cut 2
5. Sleeve - cut 2
6. Collar - cut 2
7. Stand collar - cut 2

8. Center front placket - cut 2
9. Bow - cut 2
10. Strap - cut 2
11. Bow placket - cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Collar - cut 1
2. Stand collar - cut 1
3. Center front placket - cut 2

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew side backs to center back. Serge seam and press towards center. Sew center back seam. Serge seam and press towards left. Sew yoke to back, press towards top and serge.
3. Sew darts on front. Press bulk of bust darts towards top, press bulk of waist darts towards center.
4. Sew the strap into a ring, press the seam apart. Fold strap in half lengthwise and press. Fold bow in half lengthwise right sides together and sew the outer edge and the lower edge. Trim seam allowances, turn right side out and press. Insert the bow into the strap, making pleats as desired. Baste the pieces together along the middle edges. Fold the bow placket in half lengthwise right sides together and sew lower edge. Turn right side out and press. Pin the bow placket onto front and baste together along the side edges and the center edges. Pin the bow on top and baste together center edges.
5. Pin the front placket onto front, right side down, and sew along the center front edge. Fold the placket onto wrong side, fold inside the edge of the inner placket and topstitch into the seam. Placket press.
6. Left side edges serge separately. Sew from armhole to notch zippers and from notch for zipper to bottom. Press the seam apart. Sew in zipper. Sew shoulder and right side edges, press towards the back and serge.
7. Pin upper collar to lower collar, right sides together, sew ends of collar and collar fall. Trim seam allowances, turn the collar right side out, straighten and press. Sew a decorative stitch at 0.5 cm from the edge. Pin stand collars together, right sides together, put ready collar between them, adjust notches and sew, sewing ends of stand collar at the same time. Start and stop sewing exactly at the marked line of seam between stand collar and garment. Turn finished collar right side out and press. Sew upper stand collar with collar into neckline, fold raw edge of lower stand collar and stitch-in-the-ditch along seam of upper stand collar.
8. Pin the right front onto the left front and sew the pieces together, stopping at 10 cm from the top.
9. Sew sleeve seam. Serge and press towards back.

10. Sew sleeves into armholes. Serge and press.

11. Serge hem of garment and hem of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

