

Dress With French Darts - Sewing Pattern #2786

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper; elastic tape, its width should equal 1 cm.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of dress and hem of sleeve - 2.0 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. Upper back - cut 2
2. Lower back - cut 2
3. Front - cut 2
4. Sleeve - cut 2
5. Back neck facing - cut 2
6. Front neck facing - cut 1

Fusible interfacing:

1. Back neck facing - cut 2
2. Front neck facing - cut 1

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew darts on upper back, press bulk towards center. Sew upper back to lower back, press seam allowances 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. Slash the front between the horizontal sides of dart, trim the seam allowances, leaving 0.5 cm. Sew darts on front, press bulk towards side seams.
5. Sew center seam on front, press seam allowances towards left, serge.
6. Sew shoulder and side seams, press seam allowances towards back and serge.
7. Sew shoulder seam on front neckline facing and back neckline facing, press the seam apart. Serge the outer edge. Pin facings to garment right sides together and sew the front neckline and the back neckline. Clip into curves, turn facing onto wrong side, straighten, press. Slipstitch to garment along the shoulder seam and along the shoulder tape.
8. Sew sleeve seam, press towards back and serge. Seam allowance for hem of sleeve serge, fold inside onto wrong side and topstitch, making a casing. Thread the elastic tape into the casing, adjust length and sew the ends.
9. Sew sleeves into armholes, matching notches, serge and press.
10. Serge bottom edge of dress, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

