

## Dress With Asymmetrical Pleats - Sewing Pattern #2870

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 dress — 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.

Attention! Pattern blocks have markings and texts from the right side. Take this into account when cutting the fabric-some of the pattern blocks need to be laid onto fabric with their wrong side on top!

Main fabric:

1. Center upper back - cut 2
2. Side upper back - cut 2
3. Back belt - cut 2
4. Lower back - cut 2

5. Upper front - cut 1
6. Front belt - cut 1
7. Lower front - cut 1
8. Front neck facing — cut 1
9. Back neck facing — cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

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

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew princess seams on upper back, press seam allowances towards center, serge. Sew the belt to upper back, press seam allowances at belt, serge. Sew darts on lower backs, press bulk towards center. 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 the bust dart on the upper front, press bulk towards top. Make and secure pleats on the upper and lower front pieces (the bulk is directed towards center). Sew the belt to upper front, press seam allowances at belt, serge. Sew upper front to lower front, press towards top and serge.
5. Sew shoulder seams, press towards the back and serge.
6. 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.
7. Cut or use ready-made bias tape, its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal the length of armhole + 5 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise right side out and press. Pin bias tape onto armhole edge from the right side and sew. Clip into seam allowances. Fold bias tape onto wrong side and topstitch onto main piece along the fold. Press seam.
8. Sew side seams, press towards the back and serge.
9. Serge lower edge of garment, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

