

## Skirt With Decorative Pleats - Sewing Pattern #2364

Recommendations on fabric: thin natural/mixed suiting fabrics.

You will also need: lining; fusible interfacing; 1 hidden closure – zipper; 4 grommets.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance for hem of garment – 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. Back – cut 2
2. Center front skirt – cut 1 on fold
3. Side front skirt – cut 2
4. Back facing – cut 2
5. Front facing – cut 1 on fold
6. Pocket welt – cut 2
7. Underlay piece – cut 2

8. Belt – cut 2

Lining:

1. Large pocket bag – cut 2
2. Small pocket bag – cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Back facing – cut 2
2. Front facing – cut 1 on fold
3. Pocket welt – cut 2

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Mark the position of pocket on side front skirt. Press welt in half lengthwise wrong sides together. Topstitch small pocket bag onto inner side of welt. Sew off-set welt to skirt along the lower marking line of pocket. Sew the bigger pocket bag to skirt along the upper marking line of pocket. Stop stitching near short marking lines of the pocket. Slash through pocket opening. Snip diagonally toward end of stitching at 1-1.5 cm from end of pocket opening. Turn welt and large pocket bag onto wrong side through the resulting opening. Sew a double back stitch lines near corners to fix ends of pockets. Sew together edges of pocket bags, serge.
3. Sew side front skirts to center front skirt, press towards center, serge.
4. Install grommets on front skirt.
5. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew center seam from notch for zipper down to hem, press the seam apart. Sew in zipper.
6. Fold belt in half lengthwise right sides together and sew along the longer side and the shorter slanted side. Trim away corners, turn belt right side out, straighten, press. Sew side seams, inserting belts, press towards the back and serge.
7. Sew side edges of facings, press the seam apart. Serge lower edge. Pin facing to skirt right sides together and sew upper edge. Topstitch seam allowances onto facing at 0.2 cm from the seam. Fold facing onto wrong side, press. Fold inside the middle edges and sew to zipper tape.
8. Make and baste pleats on front skirt (fold bulks from center). Stitch the bulk of pleat from the inner side by 3-4 cm from top. Thread in belt into grommets.
9. Serge lower edge of skirt, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

**TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

