

Dress With Pleats - Sewing Pattern #4485

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

You will also need: dress zipper, fusible interfacing, 2 decorative buttons.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of dress – 2 cm; seam allowance for hem of sleeve — 1.5 cm. seam allowance around all edges decorative tabs — 0.5 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. Back - cut 2
2. Front - cut 1 on fold
3. Back sleeve - cut 2
4. Front sleeve - cut 2
5. Front side — cut 2
6. Back side — cut 2

- 7. Decorative Tab — cut 4
- 8. Back neck facing — cut 2
- 9. Front neck facing — cut 1

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing to neckline facings.
2. Pin together decorative tabs right sides together and sew along U-shaped curve. Turn right side out and press.
3. Sew side backs to center back. Serge seams and press towards center. Serge center edges. Sew center back seam from bottom up to notch for zipper. Press the seam apart. Sew in zipper.
4. Sew side fronts to front. Serge seams and press towards center.
5. Make and sew from the wrong side pleats on front. Insert decorative tab into side pleat, fold bulk of pleats towards shoulder seam.
6. Sew shoulder seam on sleeve. Serge and press towards back. Sew sleeve to back, serge and press towards back. Sew sleeve to front, serge and press onto front. Serge lower edge of sleeve, turn inside and topstitch.
7. Sew together neckline facings, press the seam apart. Serge the outer edge of neckline facing. Pin neckline facing onto right side of dress and sew the neckline. Clip into seam allowances of neckline. Topstitch seam allowances onto facing at 0.2 cm from seam. Fold facing onto wrong side and press. Slip stitch or hem ends of facing to zipper tape and to shoulder seams.
8. Sew and serge side edges processing the sleeve seam at the same time. Press seams towards back.
9. Serge lower edge of dress. Turn seam allowances inside and topstitch.
10. Sew decorative buttons at decorative tabs.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

