

Dress With Cape - Sewing Pattern #4861

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 along hem of dress - 3.0 cm. Seam allowance along the slit - 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. Center back - cut 2
2. Side back - cut 2
3. Lower back - cut 2
4. Center front - cut 1 on fold
5. Side front - cut 2
6. Lower front - cut 1 on fold
7. Cape - cut 1 on fold

8. Back neck facing - cut 1
9. Front neck facing - cut 1

Fusible interfacing:

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

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew side backs to center back, press seams towards center and serge. Sew darts on lower backs, press bulk towards center. Sew upper back to lower back, press towards top and serge.
3. Apply fusible interfacing to the slit area on the Backs. Serge center back edges separately. Sew center back seam from neckline to first mark and from second mark down to mark for slit. Press apart center seam, pressing the slit at the same time. Sew in zipper. Sew a decorative stitch at 0.1 cm from the edges of the slit.
4. Sew side fronts to front, press seams towards center and serge. Sew darts on lower front, press bulk towards center. Sew upper front to lower front, press towards top and serge.
5. Sew side and shoulder seams, press towards the back and serge.
6. Serge outer edge of cape, press onto wrong side and topstitch. (You may also finish the edge with thin rolled hem, in this case please trim away the seam allowance). Pin cape onto Shell, wrong side onto right side, and baste along neckline.
7. Sew the shoulder seams of the neckline facings, press the seam apart. Serge the outer edge. Pin facing to garment right sides together. Sew neckline edge. Clip into seam allowances on curves and in the corner. Fold the facing onto wrong side, straighten, press. Slip stitch facing to self garment along shoulder seams and center back seam.
8. 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 edge of armhole 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.
9. Serge the lower edge of dress, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

