Dress With Gathered Bodice - Sewing Pattern #4886

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



You will also need: dress zipper; fusible interfacing.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance along hem of lower backs and hem of front – 2.0 cm. Hem of sleeve – 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. Upper center back – cut 2
2. Upper side back - cut 2
3. Upper center front – cut 1
4. Upper side front - cut 2
5. Lower back - cut 2
6. Lower front – cut 1 on fold
7. Sleeve – cut 2

8. Back neck facing - cut 2
9. Front neck facing - cut 2
10. Central part lining – cut 1

Fusible interfacing:
1. Back neck facing - cut 2
2. Front neck facing - cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply interfacing to facings.

2. Sew upper side backs to upper central back. Serge seams and press towards center. Sew upper back to lower back. Serge seams and press towards top.

3. Serge center back edges separately. Sew center back seam from notch for zipper to bottom. Sew in zipper.

4. Sew a gathering stitch along princess edges of upper center front and gather fullness. Pin center part to center part lining right sides together and sew upper edge. Fold lining towards wrong side and press upper edge. Sew Shell to lining along princess edges. Treat as one piece in the future.

5. Sew side fronts to front. Serge the seam allowances and press towards side edge. Sew upper front to lower front. Serge and press towards top.

6. Sew side and shoulder seams. Serge seams and press towards back.

7. Sew the shoulder seams of the neckline facings. Serge the outer edge. Pin facing onto right side of dress. Sew neckline and the part of the princess edge (center part is placed between facing and side part). Fold facing onto wrong side and slipstitch it to shoulder seams and to the seam allowances of the center back seam.

8. Sew a gathering stitch along the sleeve cap and gather fullness. Sew sleeve seam. Serge and press towards back. Sew sleeve according to markings. Serge and press.

9. Serge lower edge of dress and lower edge of sleeves, press onto wrong side and finish with hidden stitches.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

