

# **Blouse With Gathers - Sewing Pattern #2357**

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabrics suitable for blouses. Fabrics with stripes are recommended.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of garment – 2.0 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 1 on fold
- 2. Front cut 1 on fold
- 3. Front yoke cut 1 on fold
- 4. Back yoke cut 1 on fold
- 5. Cuff cut 2



#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of front between the marks and gather fullness. Arrange the gathers so that most of them are closer to center. Sew front yoke to front. Serge and press towards top.
- 2. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of back between the marks and gather fullness. Arrange the gathers so that most of them are closer to center. Sew back yoke to yoke. Serge and press towards top.
- 3. Sew right shoulder seam, press seams towards back and serge.
- 4. Cut or use ready-made bias tape, its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal the length of neckline + 4 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise right side out and press. Pin bias tape to neckline from the right side and sew. Clip seam allowances. Fold bias tape onto wrong side and topstitch onto main piece along the seam. Press seam.
- 5. Sew right shoulder seam, press seam allowance towards back and serge.
- 6. Sew side seams, processing the sleeve seam at the same time. Press seams towards back and serge.
- 7. Sew cuff into a ring. Press seam apart. Fold cuff in half lengthwise and press right side out. Sew a gathering stitch along the open edge and gather fullness. Sew cuff to sleeve. Serge and press onto sleeve.
- 8. Serge bottom edge of garment, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

## **TECHNICAL DRAWING:**



