

# **Blouse With Gathers - Sewing Pattern #2425**

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed knit fabrics of medium or high stretchiness.

You will also need: knit fusible interfacing, elastic tape, its width should equal 0.7 cm.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of garment and hem of sleeve – 1.5 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.

## Note on working with stretchy fabric:

Knitted fabric pieces are sewn together with special elastic or narrow zig-zag stitch. Seam allowance on hems can be stitched with twin needles to save stretchiness. Pieces can also be sewn together with a serger. When serging, cut seam allowances to 0.6 – 0.8 cm.

## **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 2
- 3. Back neck facing cut 1
- 4. 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 center back seam. Serge seam and press towards left.
- 3. Serge the center edges of front separately. Sew fronts together. Sew a gathering stitch from top to the marking along the stitch line. Gather fullness and fix the ends of the gathering stitch, checking the amount of fullness and the resulting length against the control pattern block.
- 4. Sew shoulder and side seams, press seams towards back and serge.
- 5. Sew shoulder seams of neck facings, press seam apart. Serge outer edge. Pin facing to garment right sides together and sew the neckline. Fold facing onto wrong side, straighten, press. Slipstitch facing to shell along shoulder seams.
- 6. Sew sleeve seam, press seams towards back and serge. Sew a gathering stitch along a sleeve cap and gather fullness. Sew sleeves into armholes, matching notches, serge and press. Serge bottom edge of sleeve, press onto wrong side and topstitch, making a casing. Thread the elastic tape into the casing, adjust length and fix the ends.
- 7. Serge bottom edge of garment, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

## **TECHNICAL DRAWING:**



