

Blouse With Elastic Armhole - Sewing Pattern #2468

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabrics suitable for blouses.

You will also need: fusible interfacing; elastic tape, its width should equal 5 cm (the approximate length is mentioned on the pattern piece for Side).

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. Side - cut 2
4. Back facing – cut 1
5. Front facing – cut 1

Fusible interfacing:

1. Back facing – cut 1
2. Front facing – cut 1

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Make and baste a box pleat on front.
3. Cut elastic tape in two. Serge seam allowance of the upper edge on Sides. Fold the one-piece facing onto wrong side along the marked line and topstitch, making a casing. Thread the elastic tape into the casing, slipstitch along the marked vertical lines.
4. Sew Sides to Back, serge and press. Sew Sides to Front, serge and press.
5. Serge the lower edges of the back facings and front facings. Pin back facing to back and sew the neckline edge and the armhole edge, fixing the pleat in place. Trim away corners, turn facing under, straighten, press. Pin front facing onto front and sew the neckline edge and the armhole edge, fixing the pleat in place. Trim away corners, turn facing under, straighten, press.
6. Sew shoulder seams, press seams towards back and serge.
7. Fold under the hem of garment two times at 1 cm onto wrong side and topstitch.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

