

# **Blouse With Shoulder Pleats - Sewing Pattern #2715**

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; 4 buttons.

Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance for hem of garment – 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. Back cut 2
- 2. Front cut 2
- 3. Sleeve cut 2
- 4. Cuff cut 2
- 5. Front neck facing cut 2
- 6. Back neck facing cut 1



## Fusible interfacing:

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

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Apply fusible interfacing.
- 2. Sew darts on back. Press bulk towards center. Sew center back seam. Serge seam and press towards left.
- 3. Make and baste pleats on the shoulder edges of the front pieces (the bulk is directed towards center). Sew shoulder seams, press towards back, serge.
- 4. Sew the seam of the stand collar, press the seam apart. Sew the stand collar into neckline, slashing corners, press seam allowances at stand collar. Snip into seam allowance near the mark of the slit on the neckline. Sew center front seam. Serge the seam allowances and press towards left.
- 5.Snip into seam allowance near the mark of the slit of the neckline on the front neckline facings. Sew center edge facings. Press the seam apart.
- 6. Sew the seam of the stand collar on the front neckline facing, press the seam apart. Sew shoulder seam on front neckline facing and back neckline facing, press the seam apart. Serge the outer edge. Sew the stand collar into neckline of facings, press towards top. Pin facings to garment right sides together and sew the edges of the neckline and of the stand collar. Clip into curves, turn the facings onto the wrong side and press. Slip stitch the seams of the stand collars together. Sew by hand the shoulder seams of the facing to the shoulder seams of the garment.
- 7. Sew side seams, press towards the back, serge.
- 8. Serge the sleeve edges separately. Sew sleeve seam from armhole up to mark for slit, press the seam apart. Topstitch slit at 0.1 cm from fold. Sew a gathering stitch along lower edge of sleeve and gather fullness. Sew sleeves into armholes, serge and press.
- 9. Fold cuffs in half lengthwise right sides together and sew side edges. Start and stop stitching exactly at the marked line of the cuff seam. Turn the piece right side out, press. Sew the outer part of the cuff to the sleeve, fold inside the inner side of the cuff, and topstitch into the seam of the outer cuff cuffs.
- 10. Press lower edge of garment onto wrong side at 1 cm, then at 1 cm and topstitch.
- 11. Make buttonholes and sew on buttons onto cuffs.



## **TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

