

Straight Dress With The Front Slit - Sewing Pattern #2172

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; hidden closure – zipper; 2 buttons.

Seam allowances: Seam allowance for hem of garment – 3.5 cm, other seams – 1 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. Placket – cut 4
4. Back neck facing – cut 4
5. Sleeve – cut 2
6. Cuff – cut 2

7. Belt – cut 2

Fusible interfacing:

1. Placket – cut 2
2. Back neck facing – cut 2
3. Cuff – cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Mark and sew bust darts on front, press bulk towards top.
3. Sew shoulder seams, press towards the back and serge.
4. Sew the shoulder edges of back neckline facings and placket facings, press the seam apart. Pin together plackets pairwise right sides together and sew from the corner of the front neckline up to the marking for slit. Clip into seam allowance near the notch, press apart. Pin together outer and inner plackets, right sides together and sew the neckline, clip into curves, turn the piece right side out, straighten, press. Sew plackets together from the marking for slit down to the lower edge. Sew the placket with the facing to the dress, press the seam allowances towards the main piece and serge.
5. Serge center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from zipper mark to hem, press the seam apart. Sew in zipper.
6. Fold belt in half lengthwise right sides together and sew along the longer and slanted edges. Turn belt right side out, straighten and press.
7. Sew side seams, inserting the belt and gathering fullness as required, press towards the back and serge.
8. Cut slit on sleeve along the marked line. Cut bias tape from main fabric (or take ready), its width should equal 4 cm and length should equal two lengths of slit +4 cm. Fold bias tape in half lengthwise and press. Press outer seam allowances towards center. Sew bias tape to slit of sleeve (pin bias tape to slit edge from the right side and sew, fold bias tape onto wrong side and topstitch onto garment along fold line). Sew sleeve seam, press towards the back and serge. Sew a gathering stitch along lower edge of sleeve and gather fullness.
9. Fold cuff in half lengthwise right sides together and sew corners. Sew outer side of cuff to sleeve. Fold under the seam allowance of the inner side inside and topstitch into seam of.
10. Sew sleeves into armholes, matching notches. Serge and press.
11. Serge the lower edge of garment, press onto wrong side and topstitch.

12. Make buttonholes and sew on buttons onto cuffs.

TECHNICAL DRAWING:

