

# **Dress With Straps - Sewing Pattern #4932**

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; 11 buttons.

Seam allowances: Seam allowance for hem of garment – 2 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. Upper center back cut 2
- 2. Upper side back cut 2
- 3. Lower back cut 1 on fold
- 4. Upper center front cut 2
- 5. Upper side front cut 2
- 6. Lower front cut 2
- 7. Center front facing cut 2



- 8. Facing cut 2
- 9. Pocket cut 2

#### Fusible interfacing:

- 1. Center front facing cut 2
- 2. Facing cut 2

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Apply fusible interfacing.
- 2. Sew princess seams on upper back, press towards center and serge. Sew center seam on upper back, press towards left and serge.
- 3. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of lower back and gather fullness. Sew upper part to lower part, press towards top and serge.
- 4. Sew princess seams on upper front, press towards center and serge.
- 5. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of lower front and gather fullness. Sew upper part to lower part, press towards top and serge.
- 6. Serge the upper edge of pocket, press inside and topstitch. press onto wrong side side and lower seam allowance, pin pocket onto front, according to markings, and topstitch.
- 7. Sew side seams, press towards the back and serge.
- 8. Cut 2 straps, , its width should equal 4 cm. Fold the piece in half lengthwise and press, right side out. Then straighten it again and press the longer edges to the marked center line. Topstitch at 0.1 cm from the edge.
- 9. Sew center seam of facings, press the seam apart, serge the outer edge. Sew facing to center front facings (button stand facings), press the seam allowances towards the facing and serge, serging the outer seam of center front facings at the same time.
- 10. Pin facings and center front facings to front right sides together, insert straps above princess seams on front, and sew upper edge and center front edges. Clip into curves, trim away corners. Turn center front facing onto wrong side, straighten, press. Slip stitch facing to garment along the seams.
- 11. Serge the lower edge of garment, press onto wrong side and topstitch.
- 12. Make buttonholes on right front, sew on buttons on the left one.
- 13. Put on the dress, adjust length of straps and sew them to dress above princess seams on the back.



Tip: you may also use main fabric instead of facing to finish the upper edge. In this case, cut twice as many pieces 1, 2, 4 and 5 and apply fusible interfacing to the seam allowance of upper edge.

# **TECHNICAL DRAWING:**

