

If the pattern has a double line around it, the seam allowances are included.

Note: By default, seam allowances are NOT included (single line) and will need to be added when laying out and cutting details.

Seam Allowance: 1 cm on all seams; hem guidelines are printed on pattern.

Important! Please print all the paper patterns and lay them out at the width of fabric you plan to use (usually from 90 to 150 cm) to see how much fabric you will need.

Don't forget to take into account pieces to be duplicated or cut on a fold. When sewing the garment, pay attention to notches. They must match up with corresponding pieces.

2182 Blouse with Front Pleat

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; 5 buttons.

CUTTING:

The word, “beam” used on some patterns means “straight of grain”. Some pieces will be cut on the fold, this is noted on the pattern piece. Mark all notches and other design features such as darts, pleats etc. from the pattern onto your fabric.



Seam allowances: all seams 1 cm. Seam allowance for hem of garment – 2 cm. Seam allowance along the vertical edge of the pleat and along the front edge of stand collar – 0 cm.

Main fabric:

1. Back – cut 1 on fold
2. Front – cut 1 on fold
3. Stand collar – cut 4
4. Sleeve – cut 2
5. Cuff – cut 4

Fusible interfacing:

1. Stand collar – cut 2
2. Cuff – cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew front darts, pressing bulk upwards.
3. Cut (or prepare) a bias tape for finishing the back slit. The length should be twice the slit length plus 4 cm, and the width should be 5 cm. Press the bias tape in half lengthwise, right side out. Mark the slit line on the back and cut. Spread the back apart so that the slit line is straight, pin the bias tape to the right side, matching edges, and stitch. Seam width along the slit should be 0.5–0.7 cm, tapering to 0.2 cm at the bottom of the slit. Fold the bias tape to the wrong side, wrapping the seam, and stitch in the ditch.
4. Sew shoulder seams, press seams towards the back, and serge.
5. Cut (or prepare) a bias tape 2.5 cm wide and 5 cm long for the loop buttonhole. Fold the tape in half lengthwise, right sides together, and stitch 0.3 cm from the fold. Trim seam allowances close to the seam, turn the tape right side out, and straighten into a rolled hem. Adjust the loop length.
6. Pin stand collar pieces right sides together and sew along the outer and back edges, inserting the loop buttonhole on the left. Start and stop stitching exactly at the collar stand seam line. Clip curves, trim corners, turn the stand collar right side out, and press. Sew the outer stand collar to the neckline, clipping seam allowances at the corner of the front. Fold inside the raw edge of the inner stand collar and stitch in the ditch.
7. Form and topstitch a pleat on the front along the center line, folding the piece wrong sides together. Fold the pleat bulk to both the right and left sides, press. Serge the front edge of the stand collar and the vertical pleat edge continuously. Serge the upper edge. Wrap the stand collar with the top of the pleat and slipstitch it to the seam connecting the stand collar to the garment.
8. Sew side seams, press seams towards the back, and serge.
9. Sew a gathering stitch along the lower edge of the sleeve and gather fullness. Serge

sleeve edges separately. Sew the sleeve seam from the armhole to the slit mark, press seams open. Topstitch the slit 0.1 cm from the fold. Sew sleeves into armholes, serge, and press.

10. Pin cuff pieces right sides together and sew side and lower edges, starting and stopping exactly at the marked cuff seam line. Turn the piece right side out and press. Sew the outer cuff to the sleeve, fold inside the seam allowance of the inner cuff, and stitch in the ditch along the outer cuff seam.
11. Press the lower edge of the garment to the wrong side twice at 1 cm and topstitch.
12. Make buttonholes on cuffs, sew on buttons, and sew a button on the stand collar.

Congratulations – your blouse are finished! :)