

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.

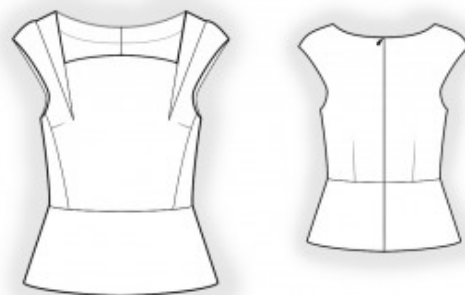
## 2245 Top with Peplum

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper.

### 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.

### Main fabric:

1. Center back – cut 2
2. Side back – cut 2
3. Side front – cut 2
4. Center front – cut 1 on fold
5. Back neck facing – cut 2
6. Front neck facing – cut 1
7. Front inset – cut 2
8. Front peplum – cut 1 on fold
9. Back peplum – cut 2

### Fusible interfacing:

1. Back neck facing – cut 2
2. Front neck facing – cut 1
3. Front inset – cut 2

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew side backs to the center back, press towards the center, and serge.
3. Sew the back peplum to the back, serge, and press upwards.
4. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the zipper notch to the hem, press open, and insert the zipper.
5. Sew darts on the front, pressing bulk upwards. Sew side fronts to the front, press towards the center, and serge. Sew the front peplum to the front, serge, and press upwards.
6. Cut the front along the marked line. Serge the lower edge of the front facing. Pin the front facing to the upper front, right sides together, and sew the neckline. Clip seam allowances, fold the facing to the wrong side, and press. Fold the front inset in half lengthwise, right side out, and press. Sew the front inset into the slit and stitch. Trim the seam allowances of the inset, aligning them with the seam allowances of the front, leaving minimal allowances at the end. Serge and press towards the side edge.
7. Serge the outer edge of the back facing. Sew the back facing to the back, stopping exactly at the start of the shoulder seam. Clip seam allowances, fold the facing to the inside, and press. Sew the shoulder seams, inserting the front between the back and the facing. Press towards the back and serge. Slipstitch the facing to the zipper tape.
8. Cut or prepare bias tape, 4 cm wide and as long as the armhole plus 4 cm. Fold the bias tape in half lengthwise, right side out, and press. Pin the bias tape to the armhole edge from the right side and stitch. Clip seam allowances, fold the bias tape to the wrong side, and topstitch along the seam. Press.
9. Sew side seams, press towards the back, and serge.
10. Serge the hem of the garment, press to the wrong side, and topstitch or hem as desired.

Congratulations – your top are finished! :)