

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.

## 2291 Sleeveless A-line dress with an elegant fit

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

You will also need: lining; 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 seam allowances – 1 cm; seam allowance for hem of garment – 2 cm.

### Main fabric:

1. Upper back – cut 2
2. Lower back – cut 2
3. Upper front – cut 1 on fold
4. Lower front – cut 1 on fold

### Lining:

1. Upper back – cut 2
2. Upper front – cut 1 on fold

Lining is cut using pattern pieces for main fabric.

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Sew the darts on the back. Press the dart excess toward the center.
2. Sew the darts on the front. Press the waist dart excess toward the center and the bust dart excess upward.
3. Sew the side seams and shoulder seams of the upper back and upper front pieces. Press the seam allowances open.
4. Sew the darts and seams on the lining. Place the lining and garment right sides together and sew the neckline. Clip the seam allowances, turn the lining to the wrong side, and press. Sew the armholes in two steps: first sew the front armhole, then sew the back armhole. Clip the seam allowances. Turn the lining to the wrong side and press.
5. Baste the lining to the main fabric along the waist seam and treat them as one piece in the following steps.
6. Sew the side seams of the lower skirt pieces. Serge and press the seam allowances open. Form and baste the pleats, folding the pleat excess toward the side seams.
7. Sew the upper part of the dress to the lower part. Serge the seam allowances and press them downward.
8. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the zipper mark to the hem and press the seam allowances open. Insert the zipper.
9. Serge the hem of the garment, turn it to the wrong side, and topstitch.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)