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.

2882 Fitted Dress with Decorative Neckline Detail

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



You will also need: fusible interfacing; dress zipper; decorative button.

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 – 2 cm.

Main fabric:
1. Upper back – cut 2
2. Lower back – cut 2
3. Upper front – cut 2
4. Lower front – cut 1 on fold
5. Front neck facing – cut 2
6. Back neck facing – cut 2

Fusible interfacing:
1. Front neck facing – cut 2
2. Back neck facing – cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.

2. Sew the darts on the upper and lower back pieces. Press the dart excess toward the center. Sew the upper back to the lower back. Press the seam allowances downward and serge.

3. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the zipper marking to the lower edge and press the seam allowances open. Insert the zipper.

4. Sew the bust darts on the upper front pieces and press the dart excess toward the center. Form the upper pleat and stitch along the marked line. Clip into the corner of the seam allowance and direct the pleat excess downward.

5. Serge the outer edges of the front neckline facings. Pin the facings to the upper front pieces, right sides together, and sew along the neckline and around the corner up to the center seam. Clip the seam allowances along the curves and trim the corner. Turn the facings to the wrong side, shape the edges, and press.

6. Pin the upper front pieces together, right sides facing, folding the facings out of the way and aligning the center seam edges in a straight line. Sew the center seam of the upper front and the center seam of the facings in one continuous operation. Press the seam allowances open and serge. Turn the facings to the wrong side and baste them to the center seam.

7. Cut the darts on the lower front pieces up to the pleat markings. Form and baste the pleats, directing the pleat excess upward. Sew the darts, serge, and press the dart excess toward the center. Sew the upper front to the lower front. Press the seam allowances upward and serge.

8. Serge the outer edge of the back neckline facing. Pin the facing to the garment, right sides together, and sew along the neckline, starting and stopping exactly at the marked shoulder seam lines. Clip the seam allowances along the curves.

9. Sew the shoulder seams, inserting the front between the back and the back neckline facing. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge. Turn the facings to the wrong side and press. Slipstitch the center back edges of the facing to the zipper tape.

10. Cut or use ready-made bias tape 4 cm wide and equal to the armhole circumference

plus 5 cm in length. Fold the bias tape in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. Pin the folded bias tape to the armhole edge on the right side of the garment and sew. Clip the seam allowances along the curves. Turn the bias tape to the wrong side and topstitch along the folded edge to secure it to the garment. Press.

11. Sew the side seams of the garment. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge.

12. Serge the lower edge of the garment, press it to the wrong side, and topstitch.

13. Sew on the decorative button according to the marking, joining the right and left upper front pieces together.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)