

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.

2912 Long Dress with Mandarin Collar and Gathers

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing, dress zipper, 2 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.

Main fabric:

1. Back – cut 2
2. Lower side back – cut 2
3. Lower side front – cut 2
4. Front – cut 1 on fold
5. Stand collar – cut 4
6. Pocket bag – cut 4

Fusible interfacing:

1. Stand collar – cut 2



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing to the collar stand pieces.
 2. Sew the darts on the back pieces and press the dart excess away from the center. Sew the darts on the front, trim the dart excess to 1 cm, serge, and press away from the center.
 3. Cut a bias strip for binding the front neckline, with a length equal to twice the neckline slit length plus 4 cm and a width of 5 cm. Fold the bias tape in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. Mark the neckline slit on the front and cut it open. Lay the front flat, spreading the slit into a straight line. Pin the bias tape to the right side, aligning the raw edges, and sew with a 0.5 cm seam allowance along the slit. Turn the bias tape to the wrong side, enclosing the seam allowances, and stitch in the ditch to secure it.
 4. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of each lower side back piece, from the side edge to the first marking, using a loose upper thread. Gather the fabric. Sew the upper back pieces to the lower back pieces. Serge the seam allowances and press.
 5. Sew a gathering stitch along the upper edge of each lower side front piece, from the side edge to the first marking, using a loose upper thread. Gather the fabric. Sew the upper front to the lower front pieces. Serge the seam allowances and press.
 6. Sew the shoulder seams. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge.
 7. Pin the collar stand pieces together in pairs, right sides facing, and sew along the outer edges. Clip the seam allowances, turn the collar stand right side out, shape the edges, and press. Sew the outer collar stand to the neckline and press the seam allowances toward the collar stand. Fold under the seam allowance of the inner collar stand and stitch in the ditch along the seam joining the outer collar stand to the neckline.
 8. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the zipper marking to the lower edge. Press the seam allowances open, pressing the zipper opening at the same time. Insert the zipper.
 9. Sew the pocket bags to the front and back pieces. Serge the side seam allowances of the front and back separately, from the armhole to the lower edge. Sew the side seams from the armhole markings to the lower edge, continuing around the pocket bags in the same operation. Press the seam allowances open. At the pocket openings, press the seam allowances toward the front.
 10. Serge the lower edge of the garment, press it to the wrong side, and topstitch.
 11. Sew on the buttons to fasten the edges of the front neckline slit together.
- Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)