

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.

2918 Dress with V-Neckline and Gathers

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

You will also need: fusible interfacing, elastic tape, its width should equal 1 cm.

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 along hem of garment and hem of sleeve – 2 cm.

Main fabric:

1. Upper center back – cut 2
2. Upper side back – cut 2
3. Lower center back – cut 2
4. Lower side back – cut 2
5. Lower center front – cut 1 on fold
6. Lower side front – cut 2
7. Upper front – cut 2



8. Front inset – cut 1
9. Placket – cut 4
10. Sleeve – cut 2
11. Back neck facing – cut 4

Fusible interfacing:

1. Placket – cut 2
2. Back neck facing – cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.
2. Sew the outer back neckline facing to the back. Press the seam allowances toward the facing.
3. Sew the princess seams of the upper back. Press the seam allowances toward the center and serge. Sew the princess seams of the lower back, joining the side back pieces to the center back. Press the seam allowances toward the center and serge. Sew the upper back to the lower back. Press the seam allowances upward and serge.
4. 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.
5. Sew the outer plackets to the upper front pieces and press the seam allowances toward the plackets. Sew the center seam of the upper front, press the seam allowances open, and serge.
6. Sew a gathering stitch along the lower edge of the upper front and gather the fullness. Sew the front inset to the upper front. Press the seam allowances toward the inset and serge.
7. Sew the princess seams of the lower front, joining the lower side front pieces to the lower center front. Press the seam allowances toward the center and serge. Sew the upper front to the lower front. Press the seam allowances upward and serge.
8. Sew the shoulder and side seams. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge.
9. Sew the center seam of the inner plackets and press the seam allowances open. Sew the shoulder seams of the inner plackets and inner back neckline facing. Press the seam allowances open. Serge the outer edge.
10. Pin the facings to the garment, right sides together, and sew along the front and back

neckline. Clip the seam allowances along the curves. Turn the facings and plackets to the wrong side, shape the edges, and press. Secure the inner plackets and facings by stitching in the ditch along the seams joining the outer pieces.

11. Sew a gathering stitch along the sleeve cap and gather the fullness. Sew the sleeve seams, press the seam allowances toward the back, and serge. Set the sleeves into the armholes. Serge the seam allowances and press.

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

13. Serge the lower edges of the sleeves. Fold the hem allowances to the wrong side and topstitch to form casings. Thread the elastic through the casings, adjust to the required length, and sew the ends together.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)