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.

4206 Airy Sleeveless Dress with Two Layers



Recommendations on fabric: natural / mixed silk fabric, tulle.

You will also need: lining; blind 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. Along the edge of the silk skirt – 3 cm, along the edge of the tulle skirt – 0 cm, along the edge of the lining skirt – 0 cm (cut seam allowance off).

<u>Silk:</u>
1. Upper back part – 1 detail
2. Upper front part – 2 details
3. Front part yoke – 1 detail
4. Skirt – 2 details on fold
5. Bow – 2 details
6. Strap – 1 detail

Tulle:
1. Upper back part – 1 detail
2. Upper front part – 2 details
3. Front part yoke – 1 detail
4. Skirt – 2 details on fold (use main fabric pattern to cut)
5. Bow – 2 details (use main fabric pattern to cut)
6. Strap – 1 detail (use main fabric pattern to cut)

Lining: (use main fabric pattern to cut)
1. Upper back part – 1 detail
2. Upper front part – 2 details
3. Front part yoke – 1 detail
4. Skirt – 2 details on fold

Note: when cutting the tulle skirt you can place detail both along and across the linen

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Sew the darts on the upper back bodice pieces in both the outer fabric and lining. Press the dart excess toward the center. Sew gathering stitches along the shoulder, neckline, and lower edges of the upper back tulle pieces and gather to the required width. Baste the tulle and outer back bodice pieces together along all edges and treat them as a single layer. Pin the outer back bodice and lining together, right sides facing, and sew along the neckline and armhole edges. Clip the seam allowances along the curves. Turn right side out, shape the edges, and press.

2. Sew gathering stitches along the lower edge of the upper front bodice between the marked notches and gather to the required width. Sew gathering stitches along the shoulder and lower edges of the upper front tulle pieces and gather to fit. Baste the tulle and outer front bodice pieces together along all edges and treat them as a single layer. Pin the outer front bodice and lining together, right sides facing, and sew along the neckline and armhole edges. Clip the seam allowances along the curves. Turn right side out, shape the edges, and press. Form a loose pleat along the lower edge of the front lining between the marked notches, adjusting its width to match the yoke.

3. Sew gathering stitches along the side edges of the tulle yoke and gather to the required width. Baste the tulle and outer fabric yoke pieces together and treat them as a single layer.

4. Pin the yoke and yoke lining together, right sides facing, inserting the upper front bodice between them. Align the edges and match the notches. Begin stitching at the corner and continue until 8 cm before the side seam. Stop stitching and clip the seam allowances near the end of the stitching line. Sew the remaining sections separately – joining the outer

front bodice to the outer yoke and the front lining to the yoke lining. Turn right side out and press the seam allowances toward the yoke.

5. Turn the back bodice wrong side out. Align the shoulder edges of the outer back bodice and lining, and insert the corresponding front shoulder section between them. Sew the shoulder seam. Turn right side out and press.

6. Pin the right side edges of the outer front and back bodice together, right sides facing, keeping the lining separate. Sew the side seam, continuing the stitching along the corresponding lining seam. Ensure that the armhole seams of the outer fabric and lining are aligned. Press the seam allowances open and turn right side out.

7. Sew the left side seam in the same way, stitching between the marked notches and leaving the zipper opening unstitched. Press the seam allowances open, including those along the zipper opening.

8. Assemble the skirt layers separately, leaving an opening for the zipper in the left side seam. Serge the seam allowances of the silk and lining layers. Press the right side seam allowances to one side and the left side seam allowances open. Press the tulle seam allowances open. Sew gathering stitches along the upper edges of the skirt layers and gather to the required width. Baste the outer fabric and tulle skirt layers together along the upper edge and the section of the left side seam.

9. Baste the tulle and outer fabric strap pieces together and treat them as a single layer. Fold the strap in half lengthwise, right sides together, and sew along the long edge. Turn right side out and press. Fold the finished strap in half and attach it to the lower edge of the back bodice, positioning it at the center.

10. Baste the tulle and outer fabric bow pieces together and treat them as a single layer. Fold the bow piece in half, right sides together, and sew along the short ends and long edge, leaving a 6–8 cm opening in the center for turning. Turn right side out, shape the edges, and press. Close the opening with hand stitches.

11. Attach the skirt layers to the bodice, sewing the lining to the bodice lining and the outer skirt to the outer bodice separately. Press the seam allowances upward. Insert the zipper. Secure the open edges of the lining to the zipper tape with hand stitches.

12. Stitch along the bodice-to-skirt attachment seam, securing the outer dress and lining together.

13. Even out the hemline. Finish the lower edges of the silk and lining with a narrow baby hem. Press the hem allowance 3 cm to the wrong side and stitch 0.1–0.2 cm from the folded edge. Trim the excess seam allowance close to the stitching. Fold the edge to the wrong

side once more and stitch directly over the previous stitching line. Press the finished hem. Leave the tulle edges unfinished. The finished tulle and silk layers should be the same length, while the lining should be 3 cm shorter.

14. Arrange the bows together and thread them through the strap. Adjust the position of the strap and secure it to the back bodice with hand stitches. Fasten the bows to the strap.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)