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.

4357 A-Line Dress with Belt and Collar



Recommendations on fabric: natural or mixed dress fabric of three colors.

You will also need: invisible dress zipper, fusible interfacing, 3 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, on hem of the dress – 2 cm.

<u>Main fabric 1:</u>
1. Back yoke – cut 1
2. Front yoke – cut 2
3. Collar – cut 2
4. Collar-stand – cut 2

<u>Main fabric 2:</u>
1. Center back – cut 2
2. Side back – cut 2

3. Side front – cut 2
4. Center front – cut 1
5. Belt – cut 1
6. Belt loop – cut 1

Main fabric 3:
1. Lower front skirt border – cut 1
2. Lower back skirt border – cut 1

Fusible interfacing:
1. Collar – cut 1
2. Collar-stand – cut 1

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing to the collar, collar stand, and inner side of the front yoke button placket. Make the buttonholes according to the markings.

2. Pin the upper and undercollar pieces together, right sides facing. Sew along the collar ends and outer edge. Trim the seam allowances at the corners. Turn the collar right side out, shape the edges, and press. Pin the collar stand pieces together, right sides facing, inserting the finished collar between them. Match the notches and sew along the upper edge and ends of the collar stand. Begin and end the stitching exactly at the marked collar stand attachment line. Turn the finished collar right side out, shape the edges, and press.

3. Sew the center back seam. Serge the seam allowances and press them toward the left side. Sew the side back pieces to the center back. Serge the seam allowances and press them toward the center. Sew the lower skirt border to the front and back. Serge the seam allowances and press them downward.

4. Fold the seam allowance of the inner button placket edge to the wrong side and press. Secure the folded edge to the yoke by topstitching. Place the right front yoke over the left, matching the center front lines, and baste the layers together along the lower edge. Sew the front yoke to the front. Serge the seam allowances and press them downward. Sew the back yoke to the back. Serge the seam allowances and press them downward.

5. Sew the shoulder seams. Serge the seam allowances and press them toward the back.

6. Sew the outer collar stand to the neckline. Fold under the seam allowance of the inner collar stand and secure it by stitching in the ditch along the outer collar stand attachment seam.

7. Cut a strip of bias tape measuring 4 cm wide and equal in length to the armhole edge

plus 6 cm. Fold the tape in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. Pin the folded tape to the armhole edge on the right side of the dress, leaving the ends extending beyond the edge, and stitch in place. Turn the tape to the wrong side, trim the seam allowances, and secure it by topstitching along the folded edge. Press.

8. Serge the left side edges separately. Sew the left side seam from the zipper marking to the hem, leaving the zipper opening unstitched. Press the seam allowances open and insert the zipper. Sew the right side seam. Serge the seam allowances and press them toward the back.

9. Serge the lower edge of the dress. Press the hem allowance to the wrong side and topstitch.

10. Sew on the buttons.

11. Fold the belt loop strip in half lengthwise, right sides together, and sew along the long edge. Turn the strip right side out, position the seam in the center, and press. Cut the strip into individual belt loops. Sew the belt loops to the dress at the waistline.

12. Fold the belt in half lengthwise, right sides together, and stitch around the edges, leaving a small opening along one long edge for turning. Trim the seam allowances at the corners. Turn the belt right side out, shape the corners, and press. Close the opening with hand stitches. Thread the belt through the belt loops and tie it at the back.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)