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.

4744 Dress with Circular Skirt and Waist Drawstring

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



You will also need: lining; fusible interfacing; dress 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. Seam allowance for hem of dress – 1.5 cm.

<u>Main fabric:</u>
1. Upper back – cut 2
2. Lower back – cut 2
3. Upper center front – cut 2
4. Upper side front – cut 2
5. Lower front – cut 1 on fold
6. Center front facing – cut 2
7. Sleeve – cut 2

8. Cuff – cut 2
9. Strap – cut 1
10. Back neck facing – cut 1

Lining:
1. Sleeve – cut 2

Fusible interfacing:
1. Center front facing – cut 2
2. Cuff – cut 2

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Apply fusible interfacing.

2. Sew the darts on the upper back pieces and press the dart excess toward the center. Sew the upper back pieces to the lower back pieces. Serge the seam allowances and press them upward.

3. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the neckline edge to the first notch and from the second notch to the hem, leaving the zipper opening between the notches unstitched. Press the seam allowances open and insert the zipper.

4. Sew the side front pieces to the center front. Press the seam allowances toward the center and serge.

5. Sew the center seam of the integrated collar and press the seam allowances open. Sew the shoulder seams, clipping into the corners on the front pieces as necessary. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge. Sew the collar to the neckline, pressing the seam allowances toward the collar.

6. Sew the center seam of the integrated collar on the center front facings and press the seam allowances open. Sew the shoulder seams of the back neckline facing and center front facings, clipping into the corners of the center front facings as necessary. Press the seam allowances open. Sew the collar to the neckline facings, pressing the seam allowances toward the collar. Serge the outer edges of the facings. Pin the center front facings to the dress, right sides together, and sew along the collar and center front edges. Turn the facings to the wrong side, shape the edges, and press. Secure the shoulder seams of the center front facings to the corresponding shoulder seams of the dress with slip stitches. Place the right front over the left front and baste them together along the lower edge.

7. Serge the short ends of the strap, press the seam allowances to the wrong side, and topstitch. Fold the strap in half, wrong sides together. Sew the upper front to the lower

front, inserting the folded strap between the layers. Serge the seam allowances and press them upward.

8. Sew the side seams. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge.

9. Sew the sleeve seams of the outer fabric. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge. Sew the sleeve seams of the lining. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge. Sew gathering stitches along the lower sleeve edges and gather the fabric to the required width.

10. Sew the short ends of each cuff together to form a ring and press the seam allowances open. Fold the cuff in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. Pin the outer sleeve and sleeve lining together, aligning their lower edges. Insert the cuff between the layers and sew along the lower edge. Turn the sleeve right side out, align the outer fabric and lining along the sleeve cap, and baste them together. From this point onward, treat them as one piece. Set the sleeves into the armholes, matching the notches. Serge the seam allowances and press.

11. Serge the lower edge of the dress, press the hem allowance to the wrong side, and topstitch.

12. Cut a strip of outer fabric measuring 2.5 cm wide and 150 cm long. Fold the strip in half lengthwise, right sides together, and sew along the long edge and one short end. Turn the strip right side out, shape the edges, and press. Fold the remaining raw edge inward and topstitch to close the opening. Use the finished fabric cord as the waist drawstring.

Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)