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.

4934 Dress with Neckline Pleats and Pleated Skirt

Recommendations on fabric: natural/mixed fabrics with elastane suitable for dresses.



You will also need: dress zipper, fusible interfacing.

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 – 2 cm; seam allowance for hem of sleeve – 1.5 cm.

<u>Main fabric:</u>
1. Upper back – cut 2
2. Back belt – cut 2
3. Lower back – cut 2
4. Upper front – cut 1 on fold
5. Front belt – cut 1
6. Lower front – cut 1 on fold
7. Sleeve – cut 2
8. Back neck facing – cut 2
9. Front neck facing – cut 1

10. Pocket bag – cut 4

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Form and baste the pleats on the lower front and lower back pieces.

2. Sew the darts on the upper back and press the dart excess toward the center. Sew the back waistband to the upper back. Press the seam allowances toward the waistband and serge. Sew the lower back to the waistband. Press the seam allowances toward the waistband and serge.

3. Serge the center back edges separately. Sew the center back seam from the zipper notch to the lower edge, leaving the zipper opening unstitched. Press the seam allowances open and insert the zipper.

4. Form and baste the pleats along the neckline of the upper front, folding them away from the center. Sew the front waistband to the upper front. Press the seam allowances toward the waistband and serge. Sew the lower front to the waistband. Press the seam allowances toward the waistband and serge.

5. Sew the pocket bags to the lower front and lower back pieces. Serge the seam allowances and press them toward the pocket bags. Sew the side seams, joining the pocket bags at the same time. Serge the seam allowances and press them toward the front.

6. Sew the shoulder seams. Press the seam allowances toward the back and serge.

7. Sew the shoulder seams of the neckline facings and press the seam allowances open. Serge the outer edge of the facing. Pin the facing to the garment, right sides together, and sew along the neckline. Turn the facing to the wrong side, shape the neckline, and press. Secure the facing to the garment with slip stitches along the shoulder seams and center back seam.

8. Serge the lower edges of the sleeves, press the hem allowances to the wrong side, and topstitch. Set the sleeves into the armholes. Serge the seam allowances and press.

9. Cut bias tape or use ready-made bias tape, 4 cm wide and equal to the length of the lower armhole plus 6 cm. Fold the bias tape in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. Pin the folded bias tape to the lower armhole edge on the right side of the garment, leaving the ends free, and sew. Clip the seam allowances as necessary, turn the bias tape to the wrong side, and topstitch along the folded edge to secure it to the garment. Press.

10. Serge the lower edge of the dress, press the hem allowance to the wrong side, and topstitch.
Congratulations – your dress are finished! :)