

128 Cape

Burda sizes 34 to 44,
Back length approx. 65 cm (26 ins)

Materials

Crosswise stretch crêpe satin,
width: 140 cm (55 ins)
length: 1.40 m (1 5/8 yds).

Recommended fabrics: Lightweight, softly draping fabrics.

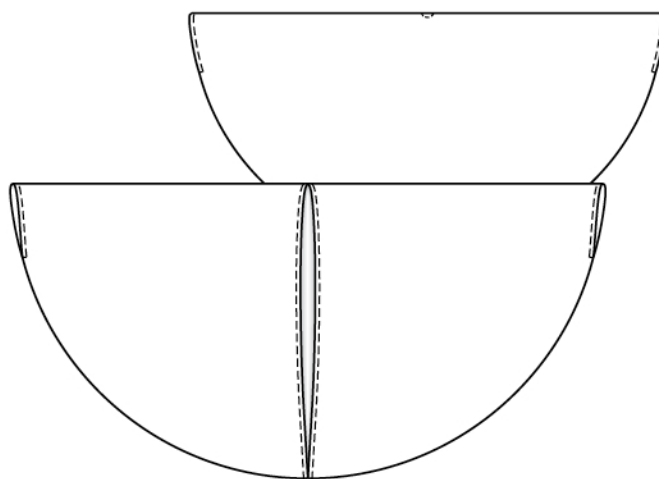
Preparations

To cut a circular piece of fabric (a), first fold the fabric in half lengthwise, with right side facing in. Then fold again to half the length so that you have 4 layers of fabric and all sides are of equal length (see also pattern layout). Pin edges of fabric together. Use a measuring tape to measure and mark several points 66 cm (26 ins) from the corner between the fold edges. Use tailor's chalk to connect the points with an even curve. Pin the fabric layers together inside the curve. Cut out the fabric piece along the curved line. Unfold the piece so that there are only 2 layers of fabric. Cut along fold edge, toward the centre, 66 cm (26 ins) long (= front edges). Mark opposite end of fold edge with basting thread (= centre back). Unfold the fabric piece. From the remaining fabric, cut a strip, 133 cm (52 1/2 ins) long and 2.5 cm (1 in) wide.

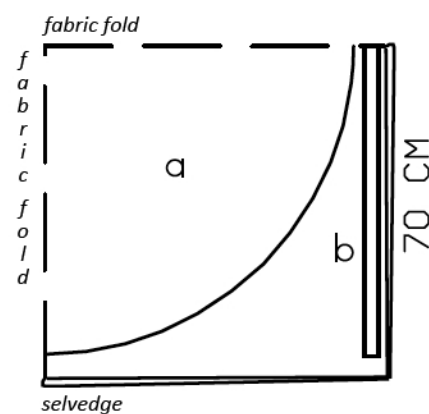
Sewing

Fold the fabric strip in half lengthwise and press, wrong side facing in. Spread the cut edges of the fabric circle apart and pin to the folded strip, right side facing. Work from wrong side of the fabric to stitch 5 mm (3/16 in) from the cut edges, tapering narrower toward end of opening. Turn fabric strip to inside and press edge. Topstitch 5 mm (3/16 in) from edge.

Fold the fabric piece in half, right side facing in, so that front edges lie next to one another and ends meet marked centre back. Begin at the centre and work toward both sides to stitch outer edges together, 1 cm (3/8 in) from edge, ending stitching 16 cm (6 3/8 ins) before each fold edge. Press open edges under twice 5 mm (3/16 in) wide, at beginning of seam tapering toward edge of fabric. Stitch pressed-under



Fold the fabric as shown in the pattern layout, right side in.



edges in place, stitching at right angle at beginning of seam. Neaten fabric edges of seam together with zigzag stitching. Turn the finished cape right side out.