

How to sew a collar on a garment

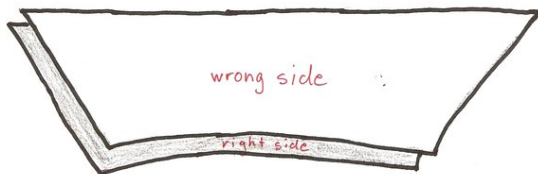
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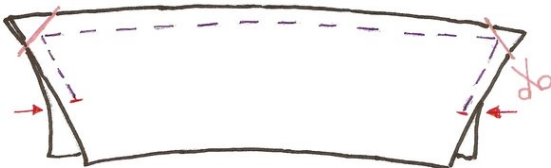
Sewing a collar on a garment is a little bit tricky, but not difficult. Here I show you how I do it.

Step 1 — Cut collar pieces and put them together



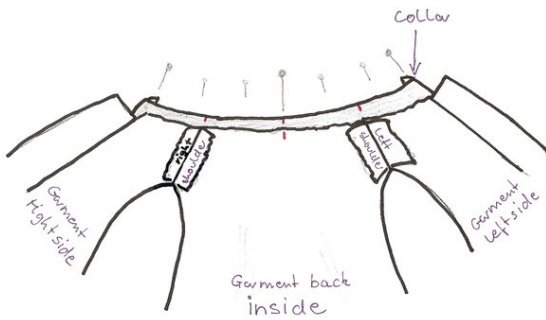
Cut two pieces for the collar, eventually iron fusible interfacing on the wrong side. Lay the two pieces right side on right side.

Step 2 — Sew on the wrong side



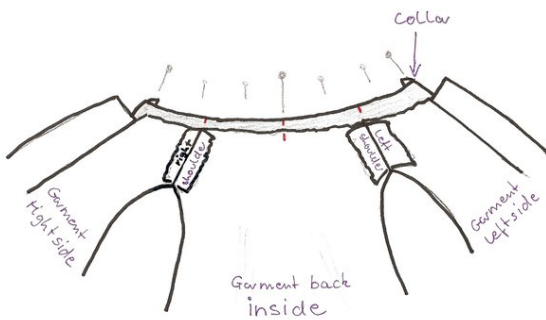
Sew the two pieces together like itâ— s shown above. Leave about 1 1/2 or 2 centimeters open to the neckline. Cut the corners, then turn the collar inside out and iron it, the seams should be even!

Step 3 — Important marks



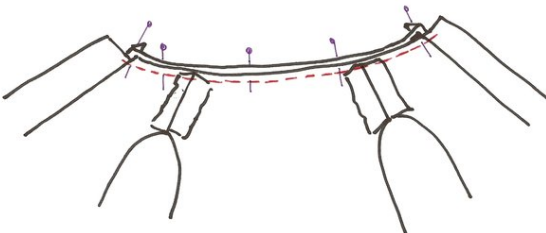
Mark the under-part of the collar at the important places, like your pattern shows it. The most important mark is the one in the middle, you get it when you fold the collar corner to corner and the garment button-facing on button facing.

Step 4 — pin and baste together



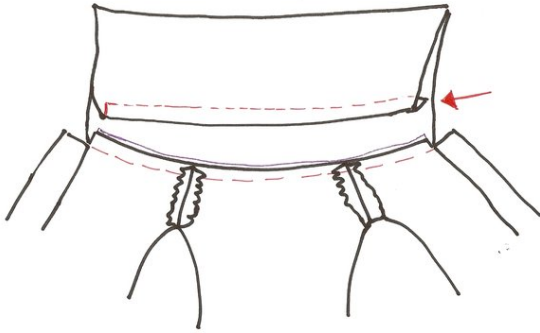
Pin the under-collar-neckline onto the garment neckline, eventually baste it, right side on right side. The collar should go a little bit over the button-facing.

Step 5 — Sew along the neckline



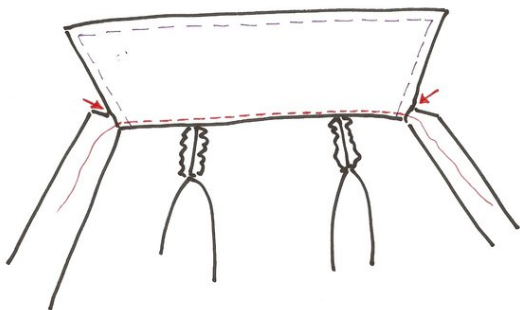
Then sew along the neckline, don't sew over the end of the collar, this seam shall be invisible!

Step 6 — Prepare the upper part of the collar



Clap up the collar, fold the seam of the upper part inside (about 5 millimeters), pin it and iron it. The seam must be so wide that the upper collar reaches the neckline-seam we did before.

Step 7 — Sew the upper part on the garment



Now sew the overlapping part on the neckline, very close to the brim. Leave long pieces of thread, you have to close the open edges of the collar by handstitching. Then you can topstitch the collar if you like, now it's finished.

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