

# 5/2011 Mini Dress with Shirred Bodice

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## Materials

Batiste, cotton tulle

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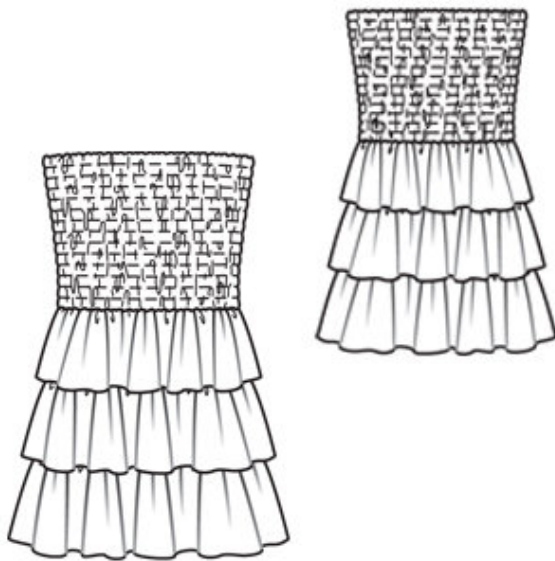
## Step 1 — Preparation

Seam and hem allowances:

Seams and edges 1.5 cm (5/8 in), no allowance on lower edges of flounces. Tip: Tear lower edges of flounce pieces. To do this, clip into selvage, approx. 2 cm (3/4 in) long, then pull the cut edges apart to tear the fabric. Remember to include a seam allowance at upper edge of each flounce piece when marking pieces on the fabric.

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## Step 2 — Cutting Out



Batiste:

- a) front and back pieces, each 78 â— 80 â— 82 â— 84 â— 86 cm (303/4 â— 311/2 â— 321/2 â— 33 â— 34 ins) wide, 31 cm (121/4 ins) long (including 5.5 cm / 21/4 ins allowance for upper edge),
- b) upper flounce, a total of 176 â— 184 â— 192 â— 200 â— 208 cm (691/4 â— 721/2 â— 753/4 â— 783/4 â— 82 ins) long, 14 cm (51/2 ins) wide,
- c) middle flounce, a total of 186 â— 194 â— 202 â— 210 â— 218 cm (731/4 â— 761/2 â— 791/2 â— 823/4 â— 86 ins) long, 17 cm (63/4 ins) wide,
- d) lower flounce, a total of 196 â— 204 â— 212 â— 220 â— 228 cm (77 â— 801/4 â— 831/2 â— 863/4 â— 893/4 ins) long, 18 cm (7 ins) wide.

Tulle:

- e) 2 skirt panels, 50 â— 52 â— 54 â— 56 â— 58 cm (193/4 â— 201/2 â— 211/4 â— 221/4 â— 23 ins) wide, 22 cm (83/4 ins) long.
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### Step 3 — Shirring

With tailor's chalk, mark lines for shirring on wrong side of front and back pieces. First mark the top line on each fabric piece, 5.5 cm (2 1/4 ins) from upper edge. Lay shirring elastic smoothly along chalk line and zigzag stitch over it at a setting just wide enough to not catch the elastic — otherwise it cannot be pulled to shirr the fabric. Press allowances at upper front and back edges to inside and baste. Mark a shirring line 1.3 cm (1/2 in) from upper edge, then mark more lines, each spaced 1.3 cm preceding line and marking last line along marked lower edge. Stitch shirring elastic along lines. When all rows have been stitched, pull elastic to shirr front and back to 28 — 30 — 32 — 34 — 36 cm (11 1/8 — 12 — 12 3/4 — 13 1/2 — 14 1/4 ins). Knot ends of elastic securely or hide ends.

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### Step 4 — Stitch side seams of dress bodice

Stitch side seams of dress bodice. Turn top ends of seam allowances diagonally in and sew in place.

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### Step 5 — Stitch dress bodice to skirt, stretched to fit

Stitch dress bodice to skirt, stretched to fit. Turn allowances down.

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