

# 11/2011 V-neck evening gown with starburst + godets

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# Materials

Shot taffeta

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## Step 1 — Preparation



Paper cut for ANSI A (German DIN A4) prints:

This pattern is printed on 8.5 × 11 sheets of plain paper. Do not scale or center pages before printing. Wait until all sheets are printed out before beginning to tape them together. **Do not cut out pattern pieces yet**— Arrange the sheets on a large, hard, flat surface so that they fit together, matching up like numbers and letters (i.e. 6A to 6A). To tape pattern together, fold under the margin of one piece (6A) and tape right against the line of it's matching number/letter (6A).

**burda style magazine pattern do not have seam allowance included.**

Seam and hem allowances to be added: Seams and edges 1.5 cm (5/8 in).

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## Step 2 — Cutting out



Shot taffeta:

1 front 2x

2 back 2x

3 front skirt panel 2x

4+14 back skirt panel with

integrated godet 2x

Lining:

5 front skirt lining panel,

on a fold 1x

also pieces 1 and 2; and piece 4, to lining line.

Vilene Bias Tape/stay tape: Iron to neck and armhole edges. Also iron on a piece of interfacing, approx. 4 × 4 cm (15/8 × 15/8 ins), to wrong side of fabric, over corner between skirt panel and integrated godet.

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### Step 3 — Pleats

Work from the inside to stitch each pleat in the front pieces and in the front skirt pieces, to the arrow mark. Lay the pleats in direction of arrows. Press pleat seams. Baste the pleats to lower front edge and to upper edge of the skirt. Stitch the centre front seams, beginning in front, exactly at marked neck edge. Press the seam allowances open.

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## Step 4 — Center back seam

Stitch the centre back seams, beginning in back exactly at marked neck edge. Stitch the back darts. Press centre seam allowances open. Press darts toward centre back.

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## Step 5 — Skirt

Stitch the skirt front to the bodice front and stitch the skirt back to the bodice back. Press seam allowances up. Stitch the right side seam. Press seam allowances open.

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## Step 6 — Zip

Sew invisible zip to left opening edges. Stitch left side seam from hem edge to zip.

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## Step 7 — Pleats

Stitch the pleats in the front lining pieces. Stitch the darts and the seams of the lining. Leave zip slit open, as mirror image of dress.

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## Step 8 — Neck edges and shoulder $\hat{A}$ -seams

Pin the lining pieces to the front and back, right sides facing. At the zip opening, turn the lining back, approx. 5 mm (3/16 in) before the marked seam line, and pin to armhole edge. Turn allowances on slit edges of dress to outside and pin in place, over lining. Stitch along neck and armhole edges, beginning and ending stitching 2 cm (3/4 in) below shoulder seam lines. Trim the seam allowances. On curves, clip allowances close to stitching. Turn lining and allowances on slit edges to inside. Stitch shoulder seams, not catching lining. Press the seam allowances open. At side slit edges, reach between main fabric and lining to first pull out the edges of one shoulder. Stitch the shoulder seam of the lining. Press seam allowances open. This will be easier if you slip the handle of a wooden spoon under the seam. Pull front out a bit further at the shoulder and stitch remaining open neck and armhole edges closed. Push shoulder back in place again. Pull out second shoulder and stitch and press seam of lining. Stitch edges closed and push shoulder back in place again. Press neck and armhole edges. Sew lining edges to zip tapes.

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## Step 9 — Hem

Press hem allowance to inside and sew in place by hand. Hem lining so that it is 2 cm (3/4 in) shorter than the dress.

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## Step 10 — Centre back skirt seam

Stitch centre back seam on skirt back and integrated godet as continuous seam. Clip seam allowances into corner. To prevent the corner from tearing, fold the godet up so that centre seams lie one on the other. Approx. 5 mm (3/16 in) from end of clip and beginning at centre seam, stitch darts, approx. 5 cm (2 ins) long, on each side.

Trim dress hem allowance to 7 mm (1/4 in) wide, press to inside, and stitch in place. Neaten lower edge of lining.

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