

5/2010 A-line Tunic Dress

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A-line Tunic Dress burda style magazine patterns FAQ [Updated 1/16/2012] – Please note that the instructions for this project have been revised.

Materials

Crosswise Stretch Poplin

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).

Trace the pattern pieces from the pattern sheet in your size following the lines for the respective size. The sizes are 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44. Follow the lines and details for style 102.

burda style magazine pattern do not have seam allowance included.

Seam and hem allowances to be added: Add 1.5 cm (5/8 in) on all edges except the front edge of the front insert piece (pattern piece 2), add 1cm for this side. Add 4cm (1 5/8 in) for hems.

- Please note that pattern piece 6 is not needed for this project. It is the collar piece from dress no 101. Disregard this piece.
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Step 2 — Cutting Out



Cut the following pieces;

Piece number 1; front bodice, cut on fold x1
piece number 2; front insert, cut x2
piece number 3; back bodice, cut on fold x1
piece number 4; back insert, cut on fold x1
piece number 5; sleeve, cut x2

Also cut the following pieces that are not on the pattern sheet;

a)

2 cuffs (sleeve bands), cut two rectangular pieces in the following dimensions (plus seam allowance);

sz 36: 30,5 × 5 cm (12 × 2 in)

sz 38: 31 × 5 cm (12 1/4 × 2 in)

sz 40: 31,5 × 5 cm (12 1/2 × 2 in)

sz 42: 32,5 × 5 cm (12 7/8 × 2 in)

sz 44: 33,5 × 5 cm (13 × 2 in)

b)

Bias binding strip for neckline cut in the following dimensions (plus seam allowance);

sz 36: 44 × 3 cm (17 1/4 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 38: 45 × 3 cm (17 3/4 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 40: 46 × 3 cm (18 1/8 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 42: 47 × 3 cm (18 1/2 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 44: 48 × 3 cm (19 × 1 1/4 in)

c)

Front insert underlap and facing, cut two rectangles in the following dimensions (including seam allowance on width, only add for top and bottom);

sz 36: 28 × 3 cm (11 1/8 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 38: 29 × 3 cm (11 1/2 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 40: 30 × 3 cm (11 7/8 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 42: 30,5 × 3 cm (12 × 1 1/4 in)

sz 44: 31,5 × 3 cm (12 1/2 × 1 1/4 in)

d)

Bias strip for loops, a total of 85cm (33 1/2 in) long and 1,5 cm (5/8 in) wide, (including seam allowance)

Interfacing: Iron on small pieces of interfacing to wrong sides of front and back, over corners.

Step 3 — Pleats and Darts

Mark the pleat fold lines with pins, with removable chalk or by hand-basting along the lines to make them visible on the front side of the fabric.

Fold the fabric along each of the pleat fold lines, wrong side facing in, press the pleat and topstitch according to the marked line on each pleat. Lay pleats to the side and press. Stitch front darts and press toward centre.

Step 4 — Construct loops:

Fold bias strip for loops lengthwise, right side facing in. Stitch 3mm (1/8 in) from edge. Turn right side out. Do not press fabric tube flat. Cut fabric tube into 5cm (2 in) long pieces and form loops.

Step 5 — Front insert

Place loops evenly spaced out along the front side of the right side front insert piece (the side that will be on your right side wearing the garment). Depending on the size you are making use, 15, 15, 16, 16 or 17 loops. Place the loops so that the raw edges of the loops are facing the front side of the front insert and the actual loops face the left (towards the side of the garment). Make the size of the loop opening to fit your buttons. Note that you have 1cm (3/8 in) of seam allowance and the seam will run over the loops leaving only what is to the left of the stitch to stick out. Pin and tack down each loop so they stay in place and then place one of the underlap or front facing pieces, edge to edge with the front insert piece, on top of the loops, right sides of fabric facing each other, pin it and sew along the edge with the 1cm (3/8 in) seam allowance. Turn the facing piece over and around to the back so the loops face sticking out on the right and the facing piece is not visible on the front. Press down and move on to the second front insert.

Take the second underlap piece and fold and press it double with the wrong side of the fabric facing inside and the right side facing out. Place the open raw edge along the front edge of the front insert and pin and

stitch down 1cm (3/8 in) from the edge. Fold over and press so the underlap faces forward and the seam allowance is facing the right on the back side of the front insert piece.

Place the right front insert piece (the one w the loops) over the left underlap so that the two center front edges meet and you cannot see the underlap from the front and so the loops are overlapping the left side front insert piece. Pin and tack down along the bottom edge 1cm (3/8 in) from the edge.

Now it is time to stitch insert pieces to the vertical edges of the front piece, from each seam number 1 to corner. This time use the regular 1,5 cm (5/8 in) seam allowance that you added to the pattern. Clip the seam allowance of front into corners, close to end of seam. Lay pleats in horizontal edge of front in arrow direction and pin or tack to stay put. Stitch insert pieces to horizontal edge of front, from corner to corner. Neaten allowances together and press onto insert pieces.

Step 6 — Back insert

Stitch back insert to vertical edges of back, from each seam number 2 to corner. Clip seam allowance of back into corners, close to each last stitch. Lay pleats at horizontal edge of back in arrow direction and pin or tack down to stay put. Stitch insert to horizontal edge of back, from corner to corner: press seam allowances onto insert.

Step 7 — Right side seam and shoulder seams

Stitch right side seam and shoulder seams. Trim seam allowances, neaten together, and press onto back.

Step 8 — Zipper

Sew invisible zip to left opening edges. Stitch left side seam above and below zip.

Step 9 — Bind neck edge

Trim seam allowance on neck edge down to a 7mm (1/4 in) seam allowance. Fold binding strip in half lengthwise and press, right fabric side facing out. Unfold strip again. Now turn each lengthwise edge one after the other in toward the pressed crease and press again. Unfold pressed strip. Pin strip to neck edge, right side to right side. Stitch 7mm (1/4 in) from edge, along pressed fold. Fold binding strip over the neck edge, turn in and pin down. Edge stitch binding in place from the outside. Try to stitch either on the bottom edge of the binding or better is to stitch in the actual seam. Just make sure you catch the binding edge on the back side if you do this.

Step 10 — Sleeves

Stitch the sleeve seams. Gather the sleeve opening between asterisks. Stitch ends of each cuffs (sleeve band) to form a joined circle. Stitch one edge of the cuffs to the gathered sleeve opening, right side facing each other. Fold cuff in half to inside and press and pin down. Top stitch cuffs close to joining seams.

Step 11 — Sleeve Caps

Turn the garment inside out and set in sleeves in each armhole, right sides facing each other, easing sleeve caps. Pin down and stitch around the armhole opening. Turn garment back to the right side and press the armhole seam, pressing the allowance out into the sleeve.

Step 12 — Hem

Lay hem allowance to inside, fold twice, first 1 cm (3/8 in), then the second fold at another 3 cm (1 1/4 in), pin and stitch 2 cm (3/4 in) from the bottom fold. Press.

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