

SPENCER DRESS - 20004

BABY ½ - 3 YEARS

**Adorable spencer dress for small girls.
Simple lines with great fit.
Super easy to sew and easy to customize...**

CREATE THE LOOK

Simple yet adorable. Fabulous tiny spencer dress for work or play - there are so many possibilities with this pattern. Make it in denim, do a gathered edge, decorate with embroidery or combine colourful fabric scraps to a beautiful and unique patchwork dress...

On the back of the pattern sheet you will find extra sketches and directions to use in designing your own spencer dress.

RECOMMENDED FABRIC

The pattern is designed for thin or medium weight woven or knit fabric.

MATERIALS NEEDED

Fabric - 140 cm wide x 85 / 90 / 95 / 100 cm long

Buttons - 2 pcs

Interfacing - if you want to stabilize the fabric

Always remember to **prewash** your fabric!

PATTERN PIECES

Garment fabric

1. FRONT ✂ X 1

2. BACK ✂ X 1

Lining fabric

3. FRONT LINING ✂ X 1

4. BACK LINING ✂ X 1

SEAM ALLOWANCES

Hem - add 2 cm

Seams - add 1 cm

TRACE THE PATTERN

Fold out the pattern sheet. Find the EASY side of the sheet and choose the right size. Place tracing paper on top of the pattern sheet and trace. Then add seam allowances to the traced pattern pieces. Cut out the pattern pieces.

The pattern is ready to be placed on the fabric.

CUTTING THE FABRIC

Fold the fabric along the grain line.

Place pattern pieces on the fabric, making sure to match the markings for grain line with the fabric grain line.

Pin the pattern pieces to the fabric, to make sure they don't shift around.

NB! Be extra careful when placing the pattern pieces on fabric with nap or pile such as corduroy or velour. For the richest colour, place the pattern pieces with the nap turning upwards. Also take notice of the fabric design direction when placing the pattern pieces.

Cut out the fabric.



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SEWING THE SPENCER DRESS

Remember, if you are using a knit fabric, sew using an elastic stitch.

1. Overlock or zigzag the raw edges of all the pieces. Place the lining pieces on the garment pieces, right sides together. Stitch along the arm hole and neckline. Clip notches into the curved part of the seam allowances and turn the pieces to the right side. Press.
2. Fold up the side seams of the lining and sew the dress and lining side seams, right sides together. Press seam allowances open and press the lining in place. Edge stitch along the arm holes and neckline 2 mm from the edge.
3. Fold up the hem 2 cm and press. Then stitch 1.5 cm from the edge. Repeat for the lining. At the side seam, where the lining and garment overlap, stay stitch invisible on top of the side seam, to keep the lining in place. Make button holes, according to markings, and sew the buttons on.

TIP EASY CURVED STITCHES

Sew with a short stitch length. Sew a few stitches, then, leaving the needle in the fabric, lift the presser foot and turn the fabric just a little bit. Then lower the presser foot and sew a few stitches more. Repeat for the entire curved area.

IDEA COVERED BUTTONS

You can make your own covered buttons as a nice detail for the spencer dress. If you don't want the trouble of buttons and button holes, use snaps!

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