

STRAP DRESS - 30001

KIDS 4 - 10 YEARS

Adorable A-line dress with small yoke and straps.
Plenty of possibilities for changing the look.
Looks great worn with leggings or tights.

CREATE THE LOOK

Lovely, versatile dress. Can be worn as is on warm days, or with a t-shirt and leggings on colder days. The girls just love it! Especially if it's made in an interesting fabric or has exciting trims...

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

RECOMMENDED FABRIC

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

MATERIALS NEEDED

Fabric - 140 cm wide x 140 / 150 / 160 / 170 cm long

Elastic - 25 mm wide

Buttons - 2 pcs

Interfacing - if you want to stabilize the fabric

Always remember to **prewash** your fabric!

PATTERN PIECES

1. YOKE ✂ X 2

2. SKIRT ✂ X 2

3. STRAP ✂ X 4

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! Also take notice of the fabric design direction when placing the pattern pieces.

Cut out the fabric.

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SEWING THE STRAP DRESS

1. Overlock/zigzag all raw edges.
Sew the skirt side seams, right sides together.
Press seam allowances open.
Fold and press the skirt hem to the wrong side.
Stitch 1.5 cm from the edge.
Sew the strap pieces together, right sides together - remember to leave an opening to turn the straps through.
Turn the straps to the right side. Press and edge stitch 2 mm from the edge around the straps.
2. Pin the yoke pieces together, right sides together, with the straps placed in between the layers. Sew the top edge of the yokes together. Pin and sew the yoke centre back seam, right sides together.
Turn the yoke to the right side and press.
Edge stitch along the top edge 2 mm from the edge.
Sew the casing on the back of the yoke.
Cut a piece of elastic 24/26/28/30 cm long.
Pull the elastic through the casing and sew it in place at both ends of the casing with a vertical stitching line.
3. Sew a row of gathering stitches at the top of the skirt.
Gather the skirt to fit the yoke. Pin the skirt to the yoke, right sides together and stitch it in place. Press the seam allowance up and edge stitch 2 mm from the seam.
Sew button holes to the straps and buttons to the front yoke.

TIP SMOCK-GATHERS

You can also create the elastic effect on the back of the dress with smock sewing. Simply omit the wide back elastic and the casing. Use elastic thread in the bobbin and sew horizontal rows of stitches 1 cm apart on the back of the yoke. This gathers the fabric and makes an adorable smocking effect. REMEMBER to do a test swatch checking the settings of your machine. This technique is best for thin fabric.