

Minerva Pattern 2716

Women's Wrap Jacket Dress with Notched Collar & Side Pleats

Introducing a digital pattern for the structured jacket dress – Classic Tailoring with a Modern Edge.



WHEN TO WEAR DESIGN 2716

This jacket dress strikes the perfect balance between structure and fluidity, making it ideal for various settings:

- **Chic Office Looks:** A tailored fit with sharp pleats makes it a standout piece for professional settings.
- **Evening Events:** The double-breasted closure and statement tie belt create a polished yet modern silhouette—perfect for cocktails and evening gatherings.
- **Day-to-Night Versatility:** Style it with heels for a night out or wear it open over jeans for a more relaxed feel.
- **Seasonal Wear:** Suitable for mid-season and cooler weather, especially when made from wool blends or structured crepe.

KEY DESIGN FEATURES

- **Silhouette:** Fitted through the waist with a structured shape and an asymmetrical pleated skirt detail.
- **Collar:** Wide, notched lapel collar creating a sharp, tailored look.
- **Closure:** Double-breasted front with two visible buttons and an inner fastening for a clean finish.
- **Sleeves:** Long set-in sleeves with two seams for a tailored finish.
- **Pleated Detail:** A striking pleated panel extends from the side waist, adding movement and texture.
- **Tie Belt:** A self-fabric belt on the side that ties at the waist, enhancing the tailored fit.
- **Hemline:** Slightly flared with an asymmetrical edge created by the pleated panel.
- **Back Details:** Princess seams on the back for a refined, contoured fit.

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

Advanced: this pattern has a high difficulty level and requires advanced sewing skills due to the tailored structure, pleating, lining and button details.

FABRIC RECOMMENDATIONS

Works best with suiting fabrics made from natural or blended fibers:

- Wool blends
- Heavy crepe
- Gabardine
- Structured cotton blends

The jacket dress is designed to be fully lined for a clean finish. However, it could also work unlined for a lighter, more relaxed feel.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES

- Fusible Interfacing: To reinforce the front panels, collar, and facings.
- Lining: Viscose, silk, or polyester for a smooth interior finish.
- Shoulder Pads: For added structure and a professional finish.
- Buttons: 4 buttons for the double-breasted closure, plus one hidden inner button.

CUTTER'S MUST

From Main Fabric:

1. Center back piece – 2 pieces
2. Side back piece – 2 pieces
3. Side front piece (right) – 1 piece
4. Center front piece (right) – 1 piece
5. Center front piece (left) – 1 piece
6. Side front piece (left) – 1 piece
7. Lower front piece (left) – 1 piece
8. Front overlay piece – 1 piece
9. Lower collar – 1 piece
10. Upper collar – 1 piece
11. Front facing – 2 pieces
12. Back neckline facing – 1 piece
13. Upper sleeve piece – 2 pieces
14. Lower sleeve piece – 2 pieces
15. Belt – 4 pieces

From Lining Fabric:

1. Center back piece – 2 pieces
2. Side back piece – 2 pieces
3. Center front piece (right) – 1 piece
4. Side front piece (right) – 1 piece
5. Center front piece (left) – 1 piece
6. Side front piece (left) – 1 piece
7. Lower front piece (left) – 1 piece
8. Front overlay piece – 1 piece

9. Upper sleeve piece – 2 pieces
10. Lower sleeve piece – 2 pieces

From Fusible Interfacing:

1. Center front piece (right) – 1 piece
2. Center front piece (left) – 1 piece
3. Front facing – 2 pieces
4. Back neckline facing – 1 piece
5. Upper collar – 1 piece

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Before cutting your fabric:

- Print out the paper patterns and lay them out according to your fabric width (90 cm to 150 cm) to determine how much fabric you need.
- Don't forget to account for paired and symmetrical pieces.
- When assembling the garment, pay close attention to the notches—they must align for accurate construction.

The markings on the pattern pieces are shown on the face side of the fabric.

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**Preparation****Fuse Interfacing**

From the wrong side, apply fusible interfacing to all designated pieces.

Apply a 1 cm-wide stay tape (cut from fusible) along the roll line of the lapel.

Waist Tie

- Pair waist tie pieces right sides together.
 - Stitch alongside and lower edges.
 - Trim corners, turn right side out, press neatly.
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Back Assembly

- Stitch the center back seam, press allowances open.
 - Sew back princess seams, press allowances open.
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Front Assembly

- Sew darts on the central front pieces, pressing intake toward the top.
 - Sew and press open the right princess seam.
 - Sew and press open the left princess seam.
 - On the lower left front, form and secure pleats as marked.
 - Join the upper and lower left front, press allowances open.
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Overlay Panel (Right Front)

- Place overlay panel and lining right sides together.
 - Stitch along upper and lower edges, clip seam allowances, turn right side out, press.
 - Position overlay on the right front and secure along shoulder, side seam, and armhole edges.
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Main Body

- Join upper bodice at shoulder and side seams, inserting the tie into the left side seam.
 - Press allowances open.
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Collar

- Place Upper and Under Collar right sides together.
 - Stitch along outer edges, beginning and ending exactly at collar-join markings.
 - Clip corners and snip into seam allowances where indicated.
 - Turn right side out, press.
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Facings

- Sew the back neck facing to the front facings at shoulder seams, press open.
 - Place facings right sides together with the fronts, pin, and stitch along front edges, rolling around overlay panel.
 - Stitch up to the notch marking the end of collar insertion.
 - Trim corners and grade seams.
 - Understitch seam allowances:
 - Along closure edge, press seam allowances toward facing.
 - Along lapel roll, press allowances toward front panel.
 - Turn facings to inside, push out edges, and press.
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Collar Insertion

- Attach Under Collar to the neckline of the jacket body.
- Attach Upper Collar to the neckline of the back neck facing and front facings.
- Press seam allowances open and secure with understitching close to seams.

Sleeves

- Sew elbow seam, press allowances open.
- Turn up sleeve hem allowance and press.
- Sew front sleeve seam, press allowances open.
- Insert sleeves into armholes, easing sleeve caps between notches.
- Attach shoulder pads.

Lining

- Sew lining seams and set in lining sleeves, leaving an opening in the front right sleeve seam.
- Attach lining to facings and back neck facing.
- Attach lining to hem and sleeve hems.
- Turn jacket right side out through sleeve opening.
- Close opening by machine.

Waist Tie Attachment

- Turn in seam allowances on the short edge of the right waist tie.
- Insert the edge of the overlay panel into the tie end and stitch to secure.

Finishing

- Work buttonholes on the right front.
- Sew buttons to the left front.
- Add decorative buttons to the right front.
- Work an inside buttonhole on the left front and sew the corresponding inside button.

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