

Minerva Pattern 4497

Women's Empire Waist Coat with Hood & Flared Skirt

Introducing a digital sewing pattern for the structured women's coat with an Empire waistline, flared skirt panels, and hood – Elegant Silhouette with Functional Warmth.



When To Wear Design 4497

This women's coat is a refined outerwear piece that combines comfort with graceful structure, making it ideal for:

- Everyday Wear: Stylish yet practical for commuting, shopping, or casual walks.
- Cold Weather: The hood and tailored construction provide warmth and layering potential.
- Occasions: The Empire waist cut and flared hemline bring a feminine touch, suitable for both day-to-day and more polished outings.

Key Design Features

- Silhouette: Fitted bodice with raised Empire waist, flowing into a flared lower section.
- Neckline & Hood: Integrated hood for warmth and casual elegance.
- Closure: Front button placket with three buttons.
- Sleeves: Long two-piece sleeves for refined shaping.
- Panels: Princess seams create fit through the bust and waist before releasing into fullness.
- Movement: Flared skirt panels add drape and fluidity.

Level Of Difficulty

Intermediate. Requires precision when sewing curved seams, attaching the hood, and setting the lining.

Fabric Recommendations

Well-draping coat fabrics in natural or blended fibers:

- Wool coating
- Cashmere blends
- Gabardine
- Heavy twill
- Fur

Lining: viscose, acetate, or polyester.

Additional Supplies

- Fusible interfacing

- Lining fabric
- 3 buttons
- Shoulder pads
- Sleeve heads

Cutter's Must

From Main Fabric:

1. Center Back – 2 pieces
2. Side Back – 2 pieces
3. Side Front – 2 pieces
4. Center Front – 2 pieces
5. Lower Back – 2 pieces
6. Lower Front – 2 pieces
7. Facing – 2 pieces
8. Back Neck Facing – 1 piece
9. Upper Sleeve – 2 pieces
10. Under Sleeve – 2 pieces
11. Hood – 2 pieces

From Lining Fabric:

1. Center Front – 2 pieces
2. Side Front – 2 pieces
3. Center Back – 2 pieces
4. Side Back – 2 pieces
5. Lower Back – 2 pieces
6. Lower Front – 2 pieces
7. Upper Sleeve – 2 pieces
8. Under Sleeve – 2 pieces
9. Hood – 2 pieces

From Fusible Interfacing:

1. Center Front
2. Facing
3. Back Neck Facing
4. Sleeve hem facings

Important Information

Before cutting your fabric:

- Print and lay out pattern pieces to determine yardage.
- Check mirrored pieces, notches, and grainlines.
- For patterned fabrics, align carefully for symmetry.

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Preparation

1. Fuse Interfacing

From the wrong side, apply fusible interfacing to all designated pieces. (Press firmly with a hot iron until fully bonded.)

Coat Body

2. Darts & Seams

- Stitch darts on the Back, press toward center.
- Stitch and press open princess seams on Front and Back.
- Join Center Back seam on both Upper and Lower Back sections, press open.

3. Side & Shoulder Seams

- Stitch and press open side seams of both Upper and Lower Coat sections.
 - Join shoulder seams and press open.
 - Attach Lower Coat to Upper Coat at waist seam; press allowances open.
 - Overlock the lower raw edge.
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Hood

4. Outer & Lining

- Stitch hood center seam, press open.
 - Stitch hood lining center seam, pressing allowances toward left side.
 - Join hood lining to hood along outer edge, right sides together. Clip seam allowances, turn, and press.
 - Baste lower edge together; treat as one unit.
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Facings & Front Edges

5. Neckline Facings

- Stitch shoulder seams of Back Neck Facing and Front Facings, press open.
- Insert hood into neckline of coat shell, matching notches.

6. Attach Facings

- Place Front Facings over Fronts, right sides together, sandwiching hood between coat and facings.
 - Stitch around front edges and neckline. Clip corners, turn right side out, shape seams, and press.
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Sleeves

7. Assembly

- Stitch elbow seam, press open.
- Turn up hem allowance of sleeve and press.
- Stitch front sleeve seam, press open.

8. Set-In

- Ease sleeve cap between notches, distributing fullness.
 - Insert sleeves into armholes, matching notches.
 - Attach shoulder pads and sleeve heads.
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Lining

9. Prepare Lining

- Assemble lining sections and set in lining sleeves.
- Overlock, turn up, and topstitch lining hem allowance.

10. Join to Coat

- Attach lining to inner edges of facings and back neckline facing.
 - Stitch lining to sleeve hems.
 - Turn coat right side out through sleeve opening.
 - Close sleeve opening by hand or machine.
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Hem & Finishing

11. Turn up coat hem allowance to inside and topstitch neatly.
12. Work buttonholes on the Right Front.
Sew buttons to the Left Front as marked.

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