Essentials

- Silk fabric, 1.9m
- Fusible interfacing
- Frog fastener
- · Hook and bar fasteners, two

Dimensions

Small, medium, large

Cutting guide

- Front top: cut one on fold
- Back top: cut one pair
- Sleeve: cut one pair
- Front neck facing: cut one on fold in main fabric, cut one on fold in interfacing
- Back facing: cut one pair in fabric, cut one pair in interfacing

Use a 1.5cm seam allowance throughout, unless otherwise stated.

Make today, wear tonight! back detail top

Make a luxe blouse with a favourite fabric

This stylish back detail top by Amanda Walker is perfect for taking you from the office to after work drinks in an instant. Wear with a contrast cami to show off the curved outline and fastening, and add killer heels to your daytime look to be bar ready!

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1 Go to www.sewmag.co.uk/templates to download and print the pattern. Cut out a front, two back pieces and two sleeves from fabric. Cut a front neck facing on the fold from fabric and interfacing, plus two back facings from fabric and interfacing. Fuse the interfacing to the front and back facings.

Match, pin and stitch the shoulder seams of the facing together, right sides facing. Press the seams open and neaten the outer curved edge of the front facing and the concave curve of the back one.

Match the notches on the sleeves to the notches on the front top, pin in place, then stitch together as far as the dots marked on the sleeve pattern piece. Neaten the seam allowances and press towards the front of the top. Repeat with the back pieces, matching the notches and stitching together. Press the seam allowance towards the back.

Match the joined facing around the neckline and down the curved edges of the back opening, pin and stitch together from the side seam, up and around the neckline and back down to the opposite side seam. Trim the seam allowance, clip around the neckline and under stitch around the facing seam. Turn the facing inside and press.

5 Neaten the edge of the front top. Press up the 4cm seam allowance and hand stitch in place. Match the two sides of the sleeves and the side seams together, pin and stitch. Neaten the seam allowances and press towards the back of the top. Turn the loose side seam part of the back facing back on itself, sandwiching the base of the side seam inside and stitch along the existing seam line. Turn the facing back over and press.

6 Neaten the edge of the two sleeve ends. Press up a 4cm hem and hand stitch in place. Tack the facings in place onto the sleeve seams. Attach a frog fastening to the back neck and stitch two sets of hook and bars to the top part of the back opening, 11cm apart.

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Silk fabric

We used this lovely green floral digital print silk, £22.50 per metre, www. guthrie-ghani.co.uk, 01214 498419.

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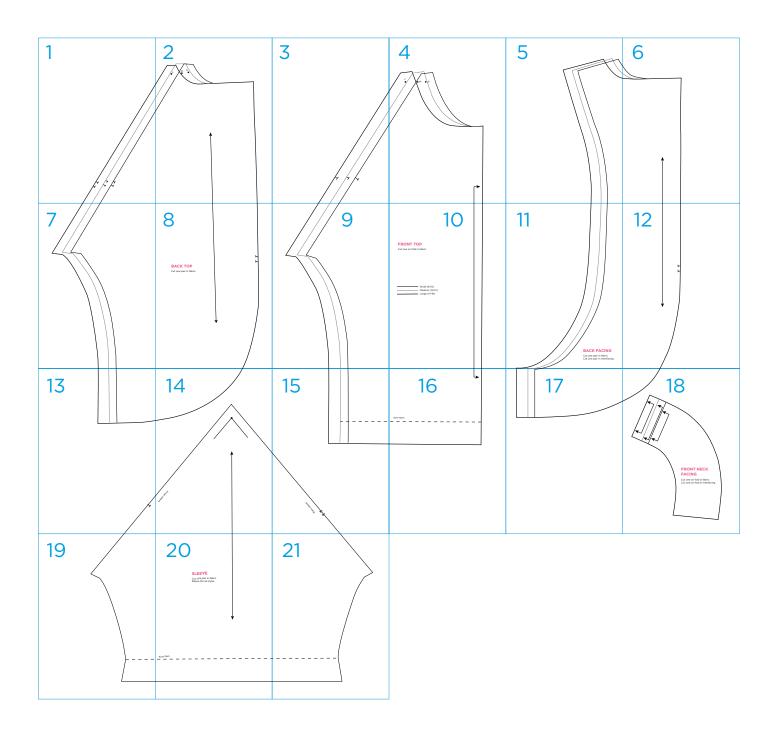
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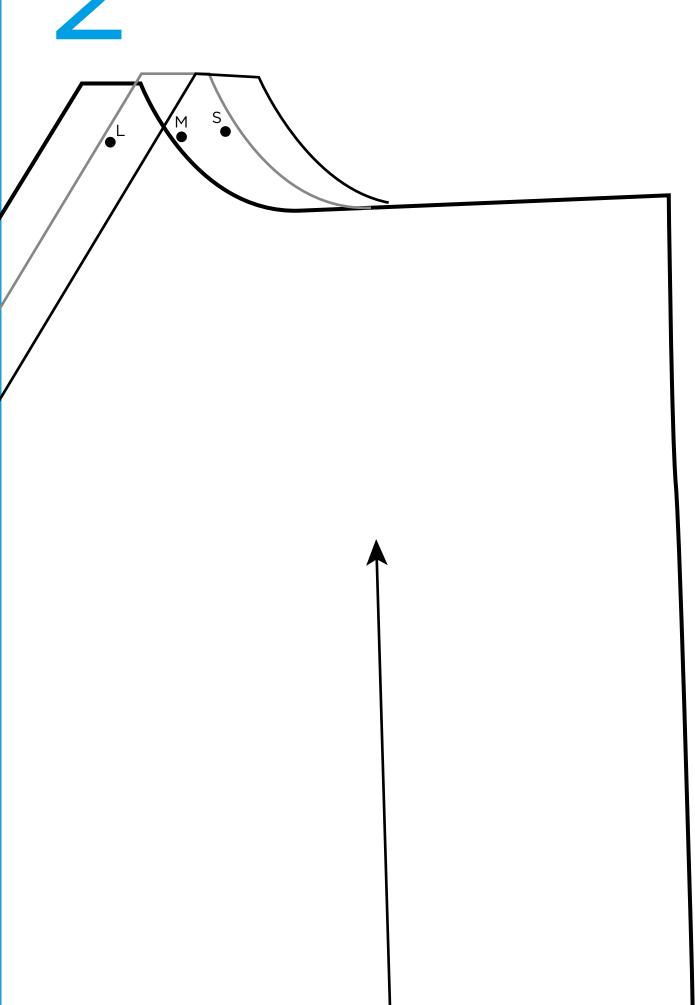
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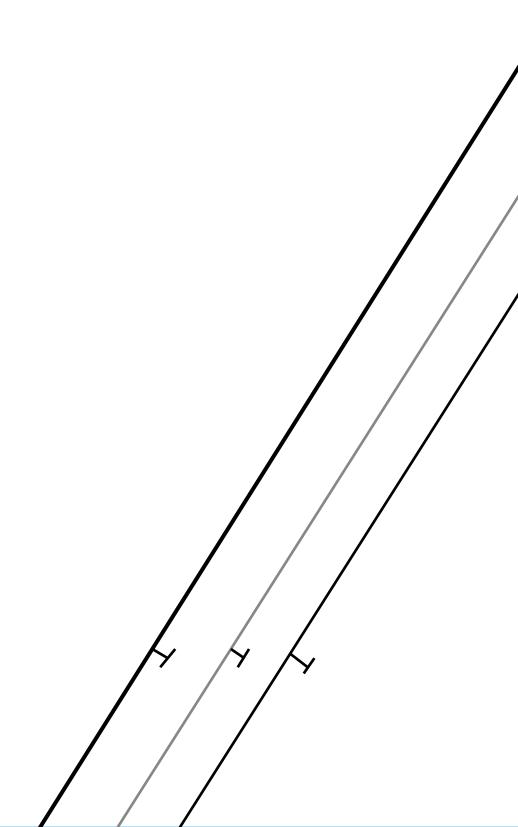
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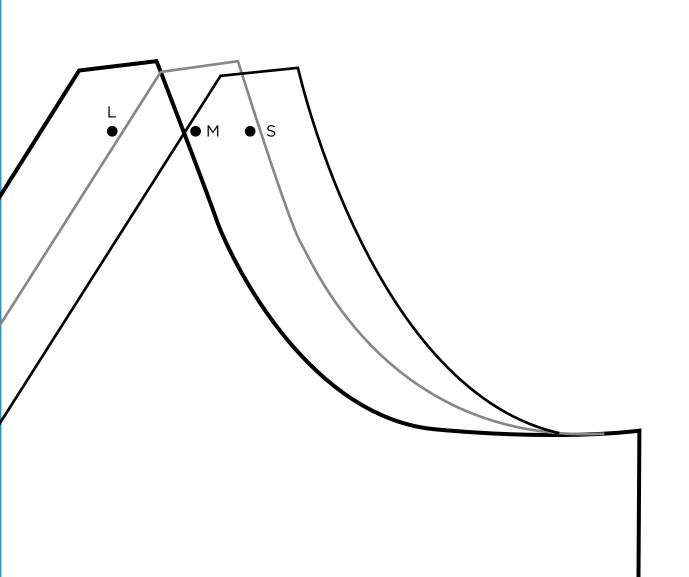
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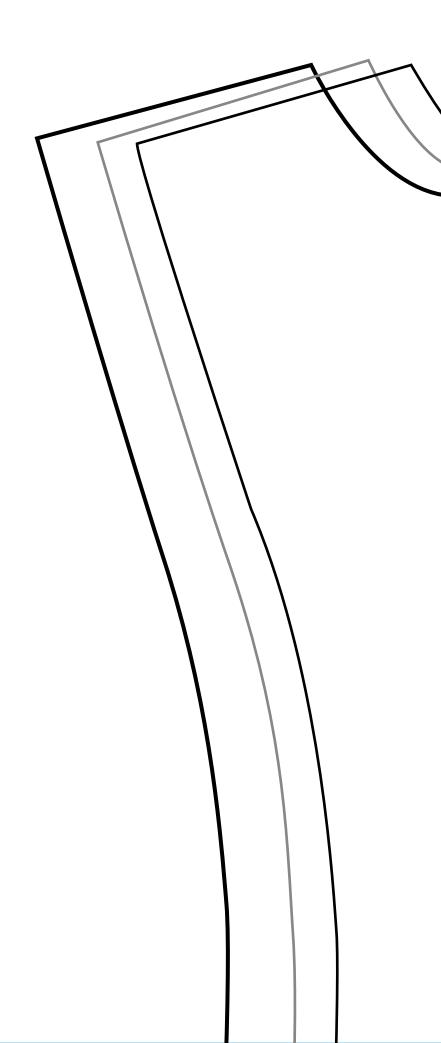
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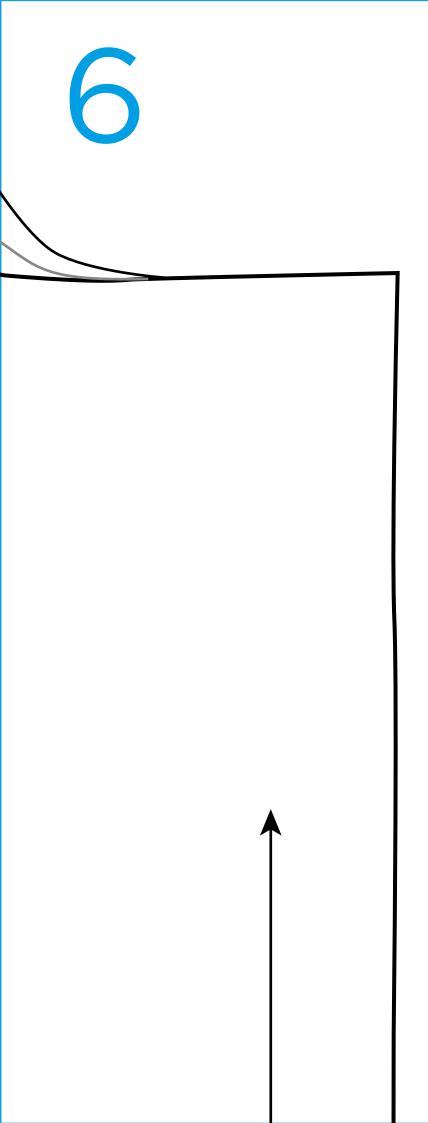


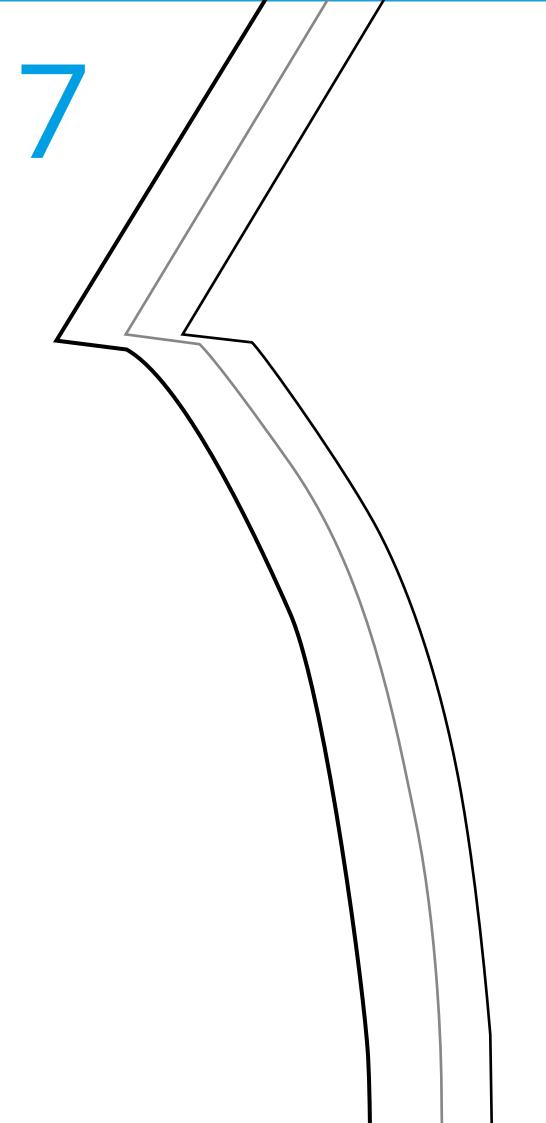






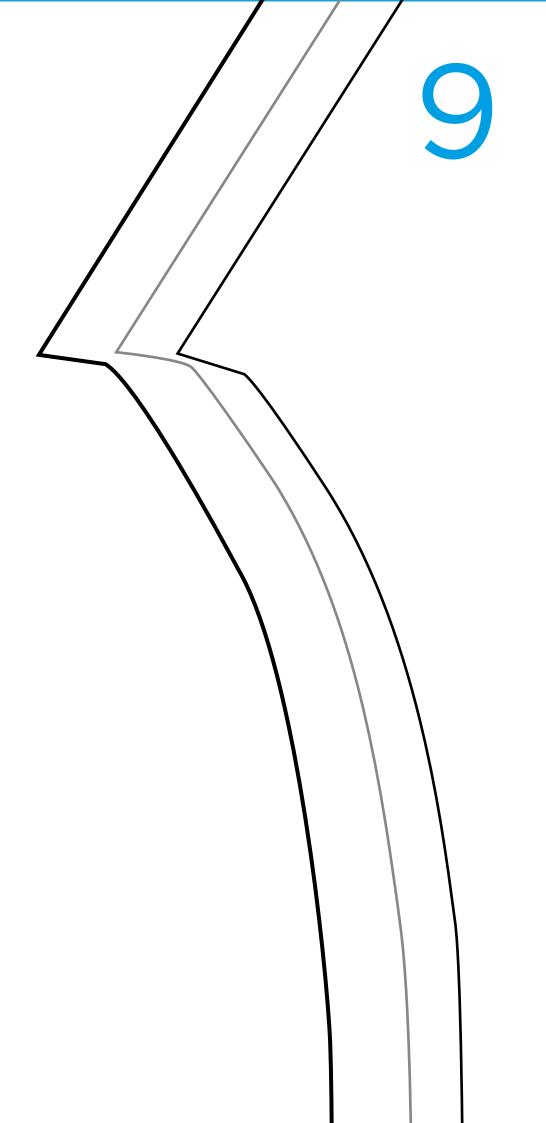






BACK TOP

Cut one pair in fabric

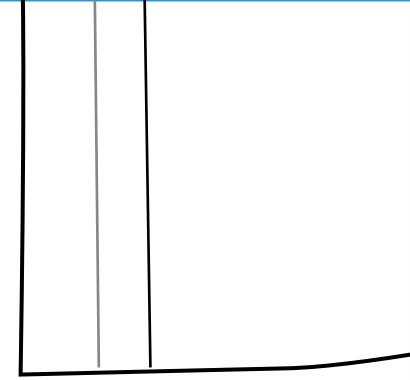


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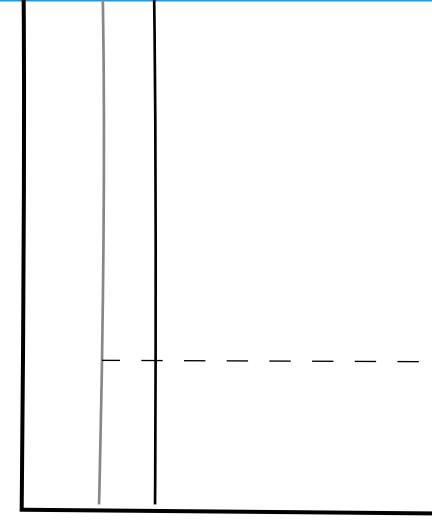
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BACK FACING

Cut one pair in fabric Cut one pair in interfacing



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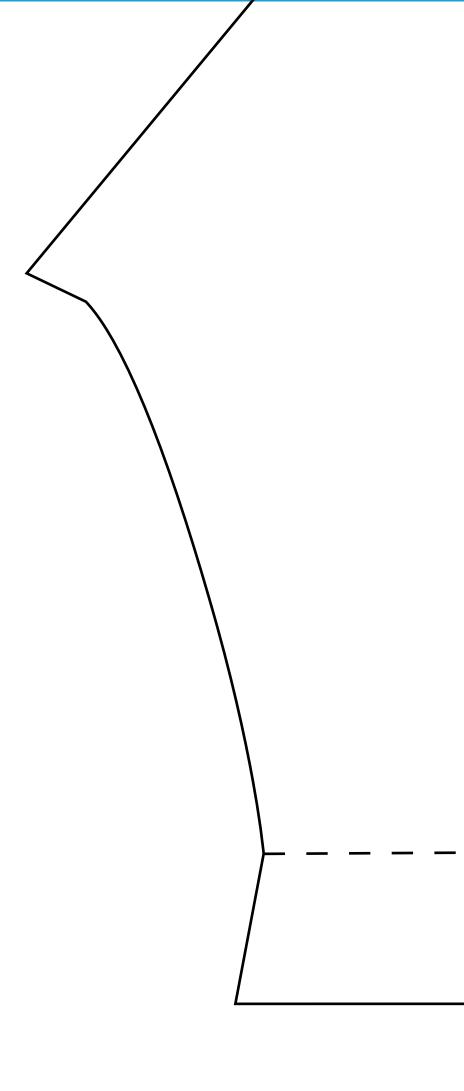


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SLEEVE

Cut one pair in fabric Sleeve fits all styles

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