

Olivia

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About Olivia

Olivia is a loose wrap blouse with bust darts and drop shoulders. It is fastened at the waist with the long tie bands and closed with a knot or bow. The pattern includes two sleeve variations: sleeveless with facing and short-sleeved. The blouse can be simply hemmed at the neckline, or for heavier fabric, the included neck facing can be used.

Body Measurement Chart

The following table is for size selection. The measurement of the chest circumference is crucial for choosing the correct size.

SIZE EU	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
Chest	up to											
	90cm	94cm	98cm	102cm	106cm	111cm	116cm	121cm	126cm	130cm	135cm	140cm
Waist	up to											
	80cm	86cm	90cm	94cm	98cm	102cm	106cm	110cm	114cm	119cm	123cm	126cm
Hips	up to											
	90cm	93cm	97cm	100cm	105cm	110cm	115cm	120cm	125cm	130cm	135cm	140cm

Fabric Recommendation

For the blouse, non-stretch fabrics such as linen, cotton poplin, muslin, viscose, etc. are suitable.

Fabric Quantity for a Fabric Width of 1.45m

Size EU	34	36	38	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54	56
Fabric Length	1,5m	1,5m	1,5m	2m	2m	2,5m	2,5m	2,5m	3m	3m	3m	3m

Seam and Hem Allowances

The pattern does not include seam and hem allowances; these must be added individually during cutting.

Required Materials

- Fabric (see above)
- Tape for assembling the pattern
- Scissors, measuring tape, pins or clips
- Sewing machine, overlock/coverlock (if available), iron

Important Notes

- Before cutting, please read the entire instructions!
- To open and print the pattern correctly, please use the latest Adobe Acrobat Reader.
- When setting up your print, make sure it's either at 100% scale or "no scaling" to ensure accurate sizing.



Cut Olivia without sleeves

Choose the variant with drop shoulders from the pattern (outer line). Fold the fabric wrong sides together. Place the pattern piece for the front on it and cut the front piece 1x in double fabric layer.

The neckline will simply be hemmed here. Since a narrow hem looks best on the neckline of the blouse, add only a generous seam allowance here instead of a hem allowance as usual.

The pattern pieces will be finished later.



Also choose the variant with drop shoulders from the pattern (outer line). Fold the fabric wrong sides together. Place the pattern piece for the back with the "center back/fold" marking along the edge.

Cut the back piece 1x on the fold.

The neckline will simply be hemmed here. Since a narrow hem looks best on the neckline of the blouse, add only a generous seam allowance here instead of a hem allowance as usual.

Finish the pattern piece.



Cut the armhole facing 1x in double fabric layer. Finish the pattern pieces.

Cut the tie strap 2x in double fabric layer. You will get 4 pattern pieces.

Finish all pattern pieces.





Sew Olivia

The blouse will be sewn together identically, whether with drop shoulders or sleeves. The following steps therefore apply to both variants.

Transfer the bust darts from the pattern to the wrong sides of both front pieces.



Pin the dart right sides together along the markings.



Sew the dart along the marking with a straight stitch on the sewing machine.



Press the dart upwards and repeat the process with the other dart.

Now finish both front pieces.



If you are sewing the blouse with a neck facing, continue on page 19.

If you only want to simply hem the neckline, continue here.

Lay the back piece with the right side of the fabric facing up in front of you.



Place the first front piece right sides together on top of it.

Pin the shoulder edges together and close the seam.

Repeat the process with the other front piece.

ATTENTION: The shoulder seams of the blouse are slightly shifted forward. Therefore, the back armhole is larger, so don't let that confuse you.



Now the neckline will be hemmed. Press the finished edge inward.



Press the edge inward a second time. The finishing seam is now no longer visible. Pin the edge in place.

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Pin the neckline all the way around securely.

Topstitch the hem of the neckline closely.



This is what your hemmed neckline looks like from the right side of the fabric.

Now take the first two tie straps in hand.









Transfer the marking for the tie strap from the pattern to the front edge of the first front piece.



Gather the tie strap to the height of the marking on the front piece.



Place the tie strap right sides together onto the front piece. The edges should align.

Pin the tie strap in place and close the seam.

Repeat the process with the other tie strap on the other front piece.

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This is what the attached tie strap looks like from the right side of the fabric.



Now lay the blouse right sides together.

Pin the side edges together.



Transfer the markings from the pattern to the side edge of the blouse.

This marking indicates the opening for the tie strap.

Pin the side edges together above and below the markings. Close the seam. The area between the markings remains OPEN!

Close the other side seam completely. No opening is left on the other side.



Press the seam allowances of the side seam open.



Pin the seam allowances next to the opening in place and topstitch the opening all the way around.



This is what the opening looks like from the right side of the fabric.



Now the blouse will be hemmed. Proceed exactly as you did when hemming the neckline.

At the vertical edges of the front piece, only the finished edge is pressed inward and pinned in place.

The lower edge of the blouse is pressed inward twice and pinned in place.

Topstitch the edge closely in place.



This is what the blouse looks like now.

If you have opted for the blouse with sleeves, skip the following pages and go to page 15.



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Sew Olivia with drop shoulders and armhole facing

Take the first armhole facing in hand.



Fold the facing right sides together and pin the short edges together. Close the seam.



Pin the facing right sides together around the outer armhole.



Sew the facing all the way around. Now notch the seam allowance of the facing above the underarm seam so that the facing can be folded inward without wrinkles.

Be absolutely sure not to cut into the seam.



Press the facing inward and pin it in place.



Topstitch the facing all the way around again and repeat the process with the other armhole facing.



The blouse with drop shoulders and armhole facings is complete.



Cut Olivia with short sleeves

Choose the version with armholes (inner line) from the pattern.

Fold the fabric wrong sides together. Cut the front piece 1x in double fabric layer.

Finish the pattern pieces only after the bust darts have been sewn.



Also choose the version with armholes (inner line) for the back piece.

Cut the back piece 1x on the fold of the fabric.

Finish the pattern piece.



Cut the sleeves 1x in double fabric layer. The sleeve hem is already included in the pattern piece. No hem allowance needs to be added.

Finish the pattern pieces.

Cut the tie strap 2x in double fabric layer.

Finish the pattern pieces.



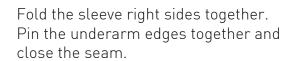
Sew Olivia with short sleeves

Assemble the blouse as described above.



Take the first sleeve in hand. Lay it with the right side of the fabric facing up in front of you.







Press the hem edge inward at the marking from the pattern. Topstitch the hem in place.



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Turn the sleeve right side out. This is what your hemmed sleeve looks like now.

Repeat the process with the other sleeve.



Now take the blouse back in hand.



Turn the sleeve to the wrong side of the fabric.



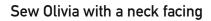
Slide the sleeve, right sides together, over the outside of the blouse's armhole. Pin the sleeve all the way around. The underarm seam should align exactly with the side seam.



This is what your sleeve looks like now. Repeat the process with the other sleeve.



The blouse with sleeves is complete.





Cut the blouse with the desired sleeve variation as described above. Additionally, cut the neck facing 1x in a single layer of fabric. Finish the pattern piece.



Finish the back piece and place it with the right side of the fabric facing up in front of you.

Place the facing right sides together on top of it and pin the necklines together.



Close the seam.



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Turn the back piece right side out and fold the facing over so that it is wrong sides together.



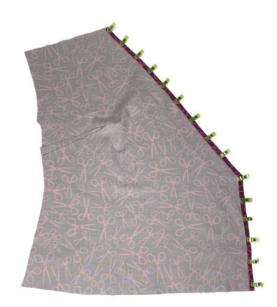
Press the edges and pin the facing in place again.



Now topstitch the lower edge of the facing closely in place.



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Now take the first front piece. Sew the bust dart as described above and finish the pattern piece. Then fold the finishing seam of the front edge twice inward and hem the front edge.

You can find this process described above as well.



Repeat the entire process with the other front piece.



Now place the back piece with the attached facing, right side up in front of you.



Place the first front piece right sides together on top of it and pin the shoulder edges together.

Make sure that the edges at the neckline align neatly and accurately.



Close the seam and repeat the process with the other front piece.



Turn your blouse right side out. This is what your neckline with facing looks like now.

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Here you can see the neck facing at the back neckline and the hemmed edge at the front piece.

Now finish sewing the blouse as described above.