

Elastic-Neck Blouse

A romantic raglan-sleeve blouse with an adjustable gathered elastic neckline and soft elasticated cuffs

Garment Type: Raglan Blouse | Difficulty: Beginner | Provenance: Threadline In-House | License: CC BY 4.0

PRINTER CALIBRATION & SCALE VERIFICATION

Measure both test squares with a rigid ruler before cutting fabric. Print at 100% scale without shrinking.



- Scale Rules:
- 1. Open in Acrobat Reader
 - 2. Select Actual Size 100%
 - 3. Do NOT Fit to Page
 - 4. Verify dimensions above

SIZE SELECTION & EASE RECOMMENDATIONS

Because this blouse gathers into an elastic neckline, sizing is very forgiving.
Select your size primarily based on desired body volume and armhole circumference.
+28 cm +11" ease gathered into elastic casing for a romantic peasant-blouse drape.

STANDARD BODY MEASUREMENTS CHART

Size Range	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
Full Bust/Chest	80 cm	86 cm	94 cm	102 cm	112 cm	122 cm	132 cm
Full Hip / Seat	88 cm	94 cm	102 cm	110 cm	120 cm	130 cm	142 cm

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS & MATERIALS

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Dimension	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
Finished Chest	108 cm	114 cm	122 cm	130 cm	140 cm	150 cm	160 cm
Hem Sweep	114 cm	120 cm	128 cm	136 cm	146 cm	156 cm	166 cm
Garment Length	58 cm	59 cm	60.5 cm	62 cm	63.5 cm	65 cm	66.5 cm

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS (45 IN / 115 CM & 60 IN / 150 CM BOLTS)

Bolt Width	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
45" / 115 cm Fabric	1.75 yd	1.75 yd	1.75 yd	2.2 yd	2.2 yd	2.6 yd	2.6 yd
60" / 150 cm Fabric	1.4 yd	1.4 yd	1.4 yd	1.65 yd	1.65 yd	2 yd	2 yd

RECOMMENDED FABRICS & STRETCH PROPERTIES

Recommended Substrates: Cotton Voile or Batiste for soft, cloud-like gathers, Rayon Viscose or Modal challis for liquid drape, Silk Habotai or lightweight Crepe de Chine, Lightweight enzyme-washed Linen 120 140 gsm. Stretch Requirement: None 0% stretch.

NOTIONS & SEWING TOOLS CHECKLIST

- ☐ All-purpose sewing thread matching fabric
- ☐ 6 mm 1/4" braided elastic: approx 1.0 m 1.1 yd for neckline and 0.6 m 0.7 yd for cuffs
- ☐ Small safety pin or bodkin for threading elastic through channels
- ☐ Sharp fabric shears
- ☐ Measuring tape
- ☐ Iron and pressing ham

PATTERN INVENTORY & CUTTING LAYOUT

STANDARD SEAM & HEM ALLOWANCES

Use the seam and hem allowances printed on each pattern piece. Verify every allowance label before cutting fabric.

PATTERN PIECE INVENTORY & CUTTING SCHEDULE

Piece Name	Cut Quantity	Material / Interfacing
Front Bodice	Cut 1 on fold	Main Fabric
Back Bodice	Cut 1 on fold	Main Fabric
Raglan Sleeve	Cut 2 (1 pair mirrored)	Main Fabric

FABRIC PREPARATION & CUTTING RULES

- Ensure raglan diagonal edges are handled gently to avoid stretching before assembly.
- Pin pieces securely when cutting slippery rayon or silk substrates.

MULTI-PAGE TILE ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Check Sheet 1 calibration square before printing the remaining pattern sheets.
2. Trim right and bottom border lines along the dashed perimeter frame.
3. Match corner crosshairs, such as A1 to A2 and B1 to B2, without overlapping.
4. Tape sheets securely on both sides before cutting paper pieces.

STEP-BY-STEP SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Attach Raglan Sleeves to Front and Back

With right sides together, pin front raglan sleeve seams to front bodice matching notches. Stitch at 1.5 cm 5/8". Repeat for back raglan sleeve seams to back bodice. Finish allowances and press toward sleeves.

Step 2: Sew Underarm and Side Seams

With right sides together, align side seams and underarm sleeve seams. Stitch from sleeve hem through underarm down to body hem at 1.5 cm 5/8". Finish seam and press toward back.

Step 3: Form Neckline Elastic Channel

Fold top raw neckline edge down 6 mm toward wrong side and press. Fold down another 12 mm to create casing. Edgestitch 1 mm from bottom folded edge, leaving a 3 cm opening at center back.

Step 4: Thread Elastic and Close Channel

Using a safety pin, thread 6 mm elastic through the neckline channel. Try on blouse and adjust tension to your comfort. Overlap elastic ends by 1.5 cm, zigzag stitch securely, push into channel, and stitch opening closed.

Step 5: Hem Sleeves and Lower Body

Form 10 mm casing at sleeve hems for wrist elastic if desired, or finish as straight turned cuffs. Turn lower hem under 6 mm, then 9 mm, and stitch.

TROUBLESHOOTING & PRO SEWING TIPS

Issue: Neckline elastic cuts in or feels uncomfortably tight

Fix: Never press directly on braided elastic. Increase elastic length by 3 4 cm for a softer, relaxed hold.