



MATERIALS

Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP All-purpose Thread

Coats & Clark™ Sure Lock thread (optional)

2½ yd. 60" fabric

2½ yd. 60" pattern drafting fabric (usually found in the interfacing area of fabric store)

Marking pen

L Shaped ruler

10½" Dinner plate or Fashion Curve ruler



SEWING | SKILL LEVEL: **BEGINNER**

Featuring Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP All-purpose Thread

If you are a beginner and have been afraid to try garments, this Cute KIMONO TOP is the perfect project for you. It is loosely fitted and simple to make.

SIZE

Fits most adult sizes

DRAFTING PATTERN

Diagrams are on page 3. Measure your hips. If you measure greater than 42.5" see note on page 4.

Front:

Draw a rectangle 35" L x 16" W. Follow diagram to draw angles of shoulder seam and neck opening. Round off neck opening using a 10 ½" dinner plate or fashion curve. Mark armhole 12" down from top of shoulder. Mark placement for top of belt loop.

Back:

Draw a rectangle 34" L x 13" W. Follow diagram to draw angles of shoulder seam and neck opening. The neck opening curve is drawn by placing a 10½" dinner plate (or fashion curve ruler) 1" down at the center back. Mark bottom of armhole 12" down from top of shoulder. Mark placement for the top of the belt loop.

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Front: Cut 2

Back: Cut 1 on center back fold

Belt: Cut 2 - 40" L x 4" W

Beltloops :cut 2 - 3" L x 1½" W

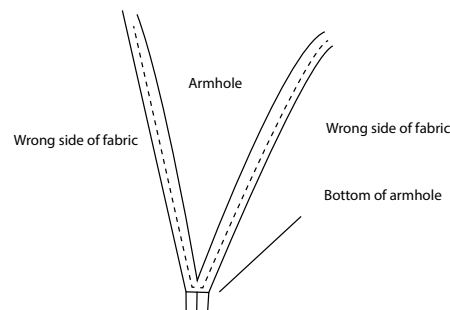
SEWING

1. All seam allowances are $\frac{5}{8}$ ".
2. Pin front shoulder seam allowances to back shoulder seam allowances right sides of fabric together matching neck edges. Stitch seams. Zigzag the seam allowance together using a conventional machine or overlock them with a serger. Press to one side.



3. Pin side seams right sides together matching armhole markings. Stitch each seam.

4. Create a narrow hem by folding outside of armhole edge $\frac{1}{4}$ " to wrong side of fabric and press. Fold over again $\frac{1}{4}$ " to wrong side making a clean edge, press and pin in place. Stitch next to edge of fold from wrong side squaring off the hem at bottom of armhole and take out pins as you stitch.



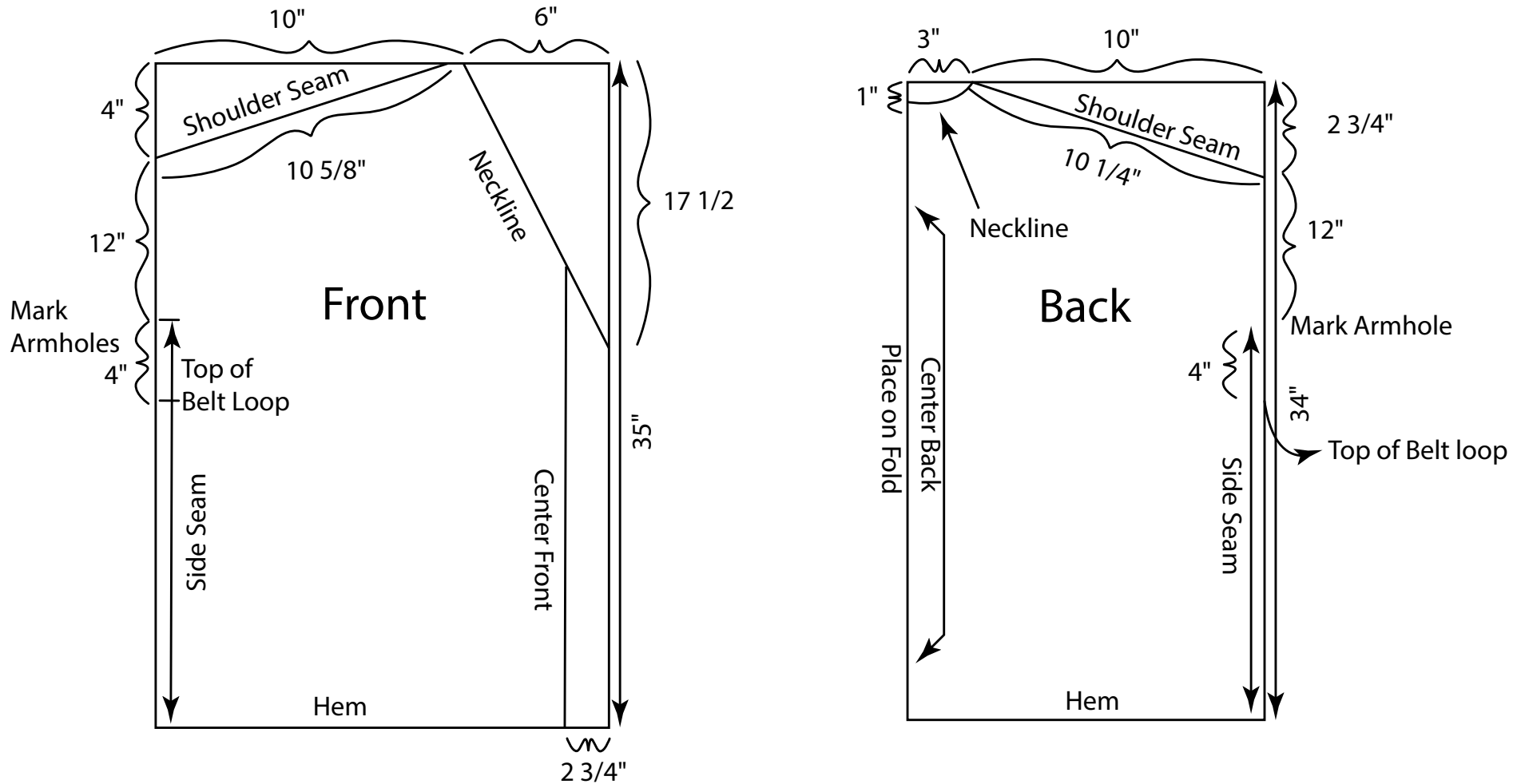
5. Repeat for other armhole. Zigzag or overlock side seam allowances together and press to one side.
6. Narrow hem the outside edges by folding outside edge of kimono $\frac{1}{4}$ " to wrong side of fabric and press. Fold over again $\frac{1}{4}$ " to wrong side making a clean edge, press and pin. Stitch close to edge of fold from wrong side and take out pins as you stitch.
7. Fold hem $\frac{1}{4}$ " to wrong side. Fold again $\frac{1}{4}$ " to wrong side. Press and pin. Stitch close to edge of fold and take out pins as you stitch.



8. Pin short ends of belt wrong sides together and stitch. Press seam open. Fold belt in half lengthwise and stitch $\frac{1}{2}$ " from raw edges pivoting at corners. Leave 5" in this seam open near the short seam so you can turn the belt right side out. Use a pencil with an eraser and starting at one end of belt pushing right side of fabric up through the tunnel created with the seam and out the 5" opening. Repeat for other side of belt. Press belt and turn under edges of 5" opening. Hand stitch opening closed using a blind stitch.
9. Fold beltloop in half lengthwise wrong sides together and press. Open this out and fold outside edges to wrong side to the crease of the first fold ($\frac{1}{4}$ " on each long side. Then fold outside edges together again at the first fold. Pin and edgestitch edges together.
10. Fold ends of beltloop $\frac{3}{8}$ " under and place the top of the beltloop 4" below bottom of armhole. Edgestitch in place on each end.

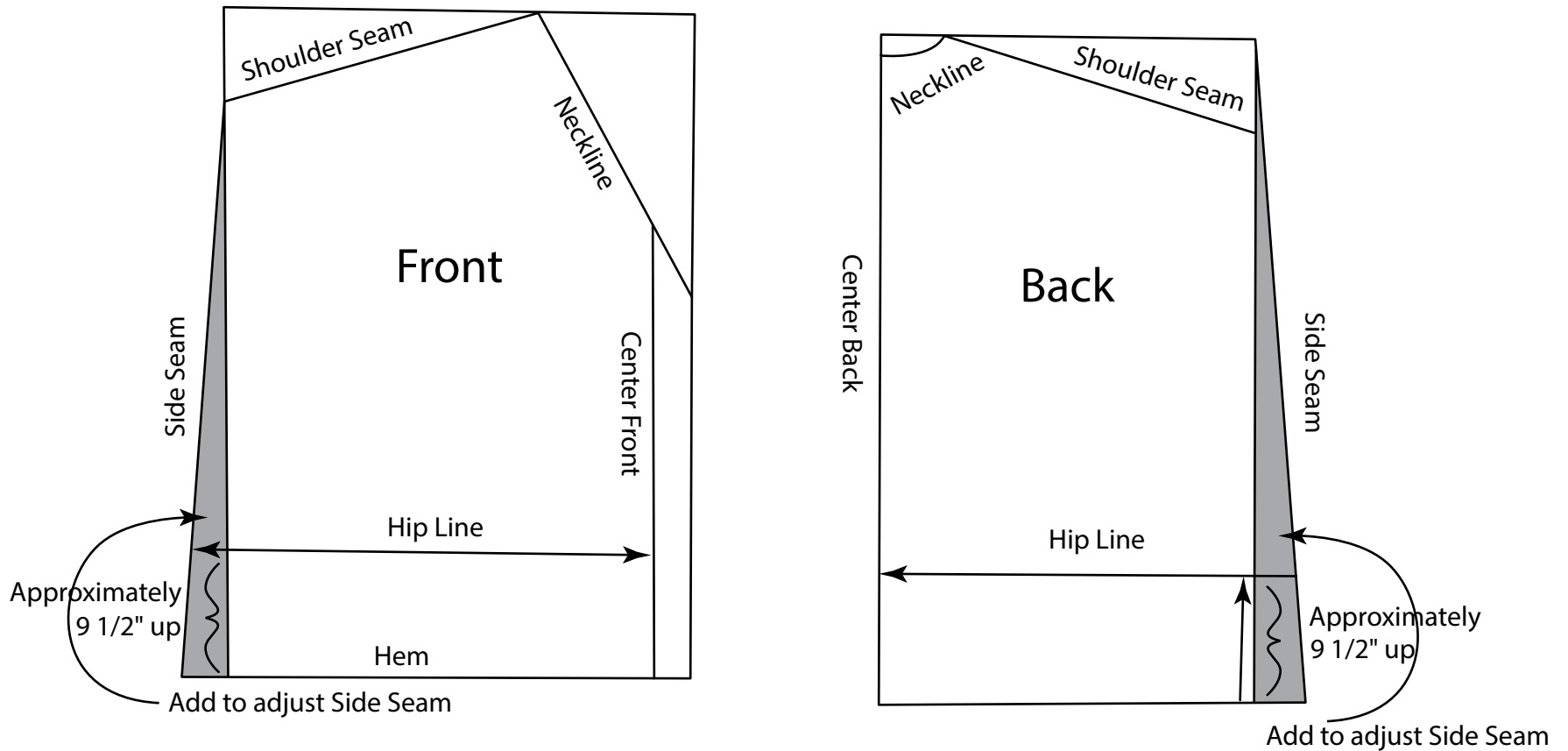
Pattern Diagram

This fits hip sizes less than 42½".
For greater than 42½" see page 4.



Pattern Diagram

Adjustment for hips measuring >42½".



If hip size is larger than 42.5":

$$(\text{Hip Size} - 42.5) \div 4 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Add this figure
to the side seam
on both pattern pieces