ELASTICATED RUFFLED STRAPS



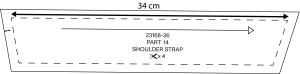
MATERIALS

- Fabric
- Approx. 1 m of elastic width 15, 25 or 35 mm.
- Marker pen/tailor's chalk
- Safety pins

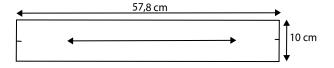
Suggestions for patterns to use: 23168 - C, 23146 and 63062 - C

In the example below, we made the ruffle with a finished width of 4 cm using 15 mm wide elastic and pattern no. 23168 - C.





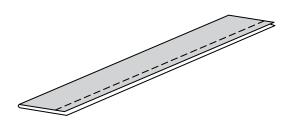
1. Elastic: Measure the length of the strap in your pattern. Cut 2 lengths of elastic at the length measured.



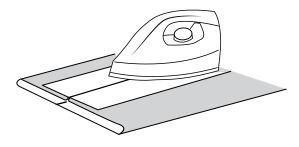
2. Fabric: Cut 2 pieces of fabric, each measuring the strap length x 1.7 e.g. 34 cm x 1.7 = 57.8 cm. If you want to make a 4cm wide ruffle (finished width), you should cut the fabric 10 cm wide.

Alternative widths:

7 cm wide ruffle with 25 mm wide elastic = 16 cm 11 cm wide ruffle with 35 mm wide elastic = 24 cm

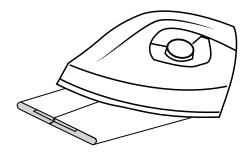


3. Fold the strap in half lengthwise right sides together. Stitch (1 cm seam allowance).

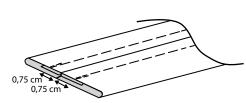


4. Press the seam flat.

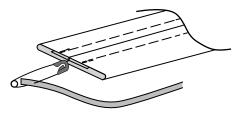
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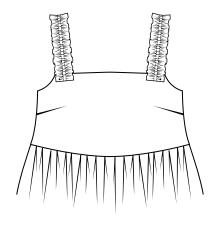
5. Turn strap to the right side. Press. The notch should fit over the stitched seam.



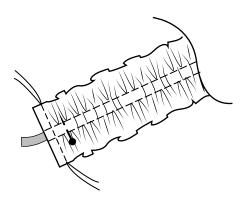
6. Sew 2 lines of stitching to form a channel. The channel should be wide enough for the elastic. If necessary, use a marker pen or chalk to mark half the elastic width on each side of the stitched seam.



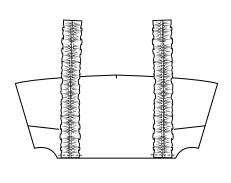
7. Pull the elastic through the channel. Gather the fabric to the length of the elastic.



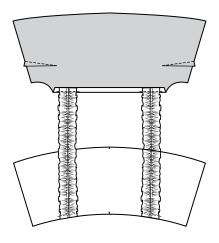
8. Pin the strap onto the garment before sewing the facing (if any). Try on the garment to check the strap length. Adjust the length by pulling the elastic shorter.



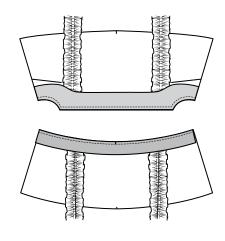
9. When you have found the correct length, pin the elastic to the garment. Sew the ends of the elastic 0.5 cm from the edge of the strap.



10. Sew the straps onto the front. NB: Make sure that the stitched seam is facing upwards.



11. Sew the straps onto the back. NB: Make sure that the stitched seam is facing upwards.



12. If your garment has facings, pin and sew these to the garment. Finish sewing the garment in accordance with the sewing instructions.



