flower power top..

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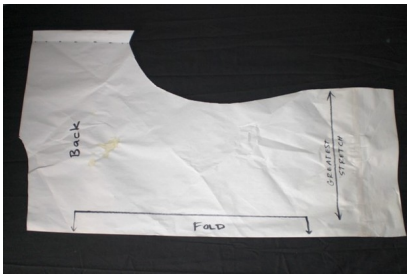
http://www.burdastyle.com/projects/flower-power-top

this is the same pattern as the woollen top but with lighter fabric, and a narrower collar. I have included a how to so you can make your own version.. if you can upload photos and add a crdit that would be great.. I wore this to work today, and got the nicest compliments..the best from an old man whose eyes lit up as he said " Lovely top, so bright! You go with the (fake) flowers….I bet you didnt get THAT here!" (I work in a thrift store!)

Materials

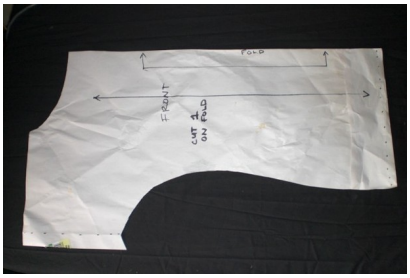
Stretch polyester

Step 1 — getting started



measure your waist. this will be the curve seen in the middle of the pattern. make that curve 5 cm larger than 1/4 waist measurement.

Step 2 — back



the sides are the same curve.. so cut both pattern pieces at once, then make front neck curve deeper than back. sticky tape front and back pattern together at shoulder

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Step 3 — smooth neckline

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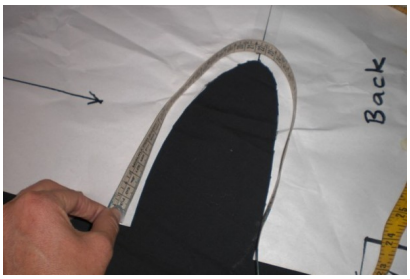
Step 4 — cut

smooth out the corner on the neckline with scissors

Step 5 — measure the neckline



measure the neckline. write it down..

Step 6 — lay out fabric

lay out fabric with a fold so that the pattern fits perfectly to the selvage along the sleeve edge

Step 7 — cut

cut along selvege, which will give you a long, wide strip of fabric. this will be your collar

Step 8 — cut the rest of the pattern out

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Step 9 — collar

fold fabric strip in half, right sides together

Step 10 — square off edge of collar, and use neck measurement .

square off edge of collar, and using the measurement you took of the neckline earlier, add 8 cm, and cut at a 90 degree angle up this line.

Step 11 — sew the end edgesof collar together

sew the end edges together, keeping the fabric folded in half. Make sure the right sides of the fabric are on the inside before you sew. Once sewn, turn inside out so the right side of fabric shows.

Step 12 — sew collar to neckline , then side seams

sew collar to neckline , starting at a side front, and overlaping collar when the two ends meet up.either use overlocker if you have one, or zigzag stich and a ballpoint needle on the sewing machine. Sew up sides

Step 13 — turn the sleeve edge

turn the sleeve edge under 2 cm, then fold it back again so it sits on the right side of fabric. sew. this will give a nice finished edge which is really easy to do.

Step 14 — ta da

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Step 15 — changing threads

trick: when changing overlocker, machine threads, cut thread near the spool, and knot the new thread on, then just run through the machine with a scrap piece of fabric..

Step 16 — run through

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Step 17 — roll hem

I did a roll hem on the overlocker, but the same technique as the sleeve edge would also work fine.

Step 18 — press

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Step 19 — yehar!!

Finito! Give thanks to the sewing gods, have a cup of coffee and show off your fabulous new creation ;)