

YOKES - BODICE FRONT

A yoke replaces part of the wide end of the dart and permits the remainder to be released as gathers or to be used as a shorted dart.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Analyze the design. (Fig. 1)
2. Change underarm dart to the shoulder.
3. Make a basic pattern, folding and taping the shoulder seam line dart closed.
4. Decide on the location of the yoke line. Now draw this line across the already taped dart. (Fig. 2)
5. Mark matching notches on the yoke line. These notches will be as far apart as the distance to be covered by the gathers. Add grainline and $\frac{5}{8}$ " seam allowance.
6. Separate the pattern into two pieces by cutting along the yoke design line while the dart is still folded. (Fig. 3)
7. The dart in the yoke will remain closed. Open the dart in the lower bodice and convert it to gathers. (Fig. 4)
8. Complete the pattern by perfecting lines and adding labels.

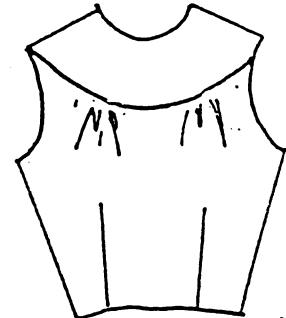
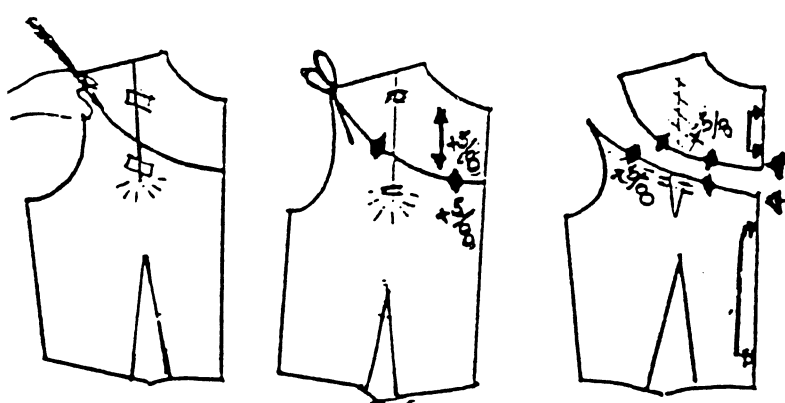


Fig. 1



Steps 2-4

Steps 5-6

Steps 7-8

Fig. 2

Fig. 3

Fig. 4

Note: Whenever cutting a pattern apart be sure to add $\frac{5}{8}$ " seam allowance to both cut edges.

... AND MORE YOLKS ...FOR HIM

The process for making a yoke in a man's shirt is the same as in a woman's bodice:

- 1- Determine what you want the yoke to look like. (Fig. 1)
2. Draw yokeline on pattern. Add grainline, notches and $5/8$ " seam allowance (Fig 2)
3. Cut pattern apart.

4. Repeat process for shirt back. (Fig. 3)

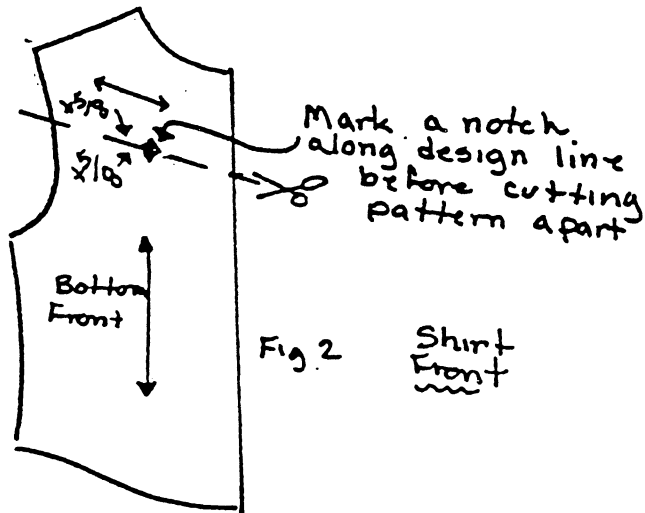
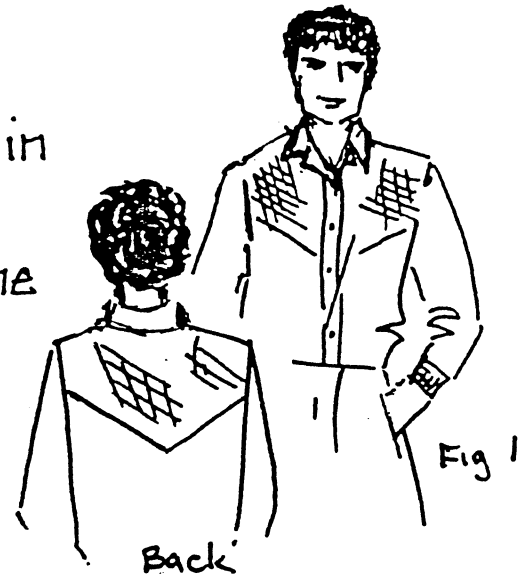


Fig 2 Shirt Front

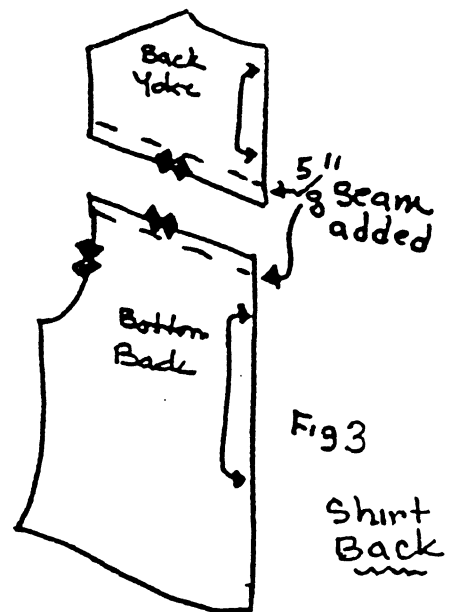


Fig 3 Shirt Back

