

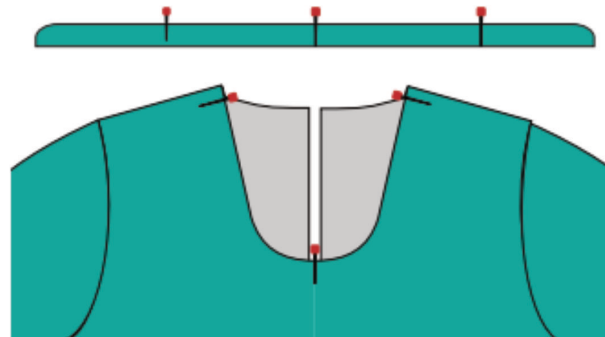
Sewing School: Henley-Style Neckband Tutorial

1. Fold Neckband in half lengthwise (hot dog style) **WRONG SIDES TOGETHER** and press.

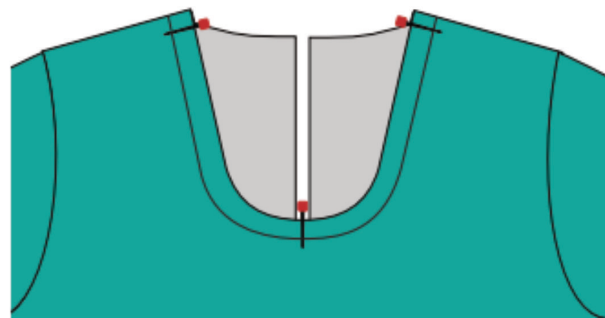


2. Find the center front and side quartered points of both the neckband and the bodice. Mark with pins.

Note The shoulder seams are **NOT** the quarter marks.



3. Place the neckband around the outside of the bodice, **RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER**, matching up the center front and side quarter pins. Your raw edges of the neckband and your bodice should align.

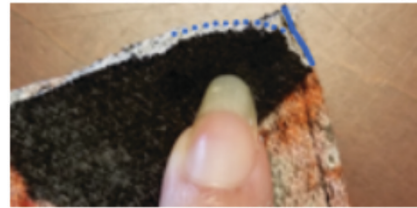




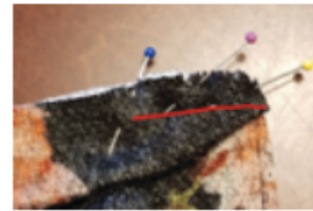
5 OUT OF 4 PATTERNS

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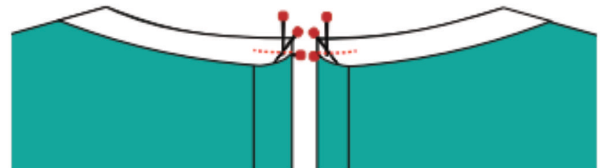
4. On the back, align one straight end of the neckband to one back bodice edge.



Pin at the end and then ease the curved edge along the raw edge of the neckline, pinning frequently. As you ease the curve in to the straight bodice neckline, you will see the opposite (folded) edge of the neckband automatically curve in response.

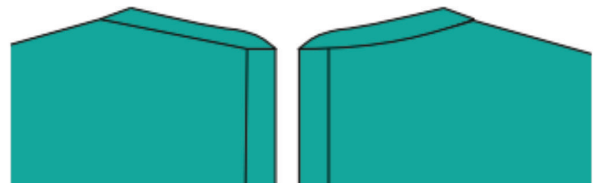


5. Baste along the raw edge, right to the point of the neckband to ensure your neckband does not move and you get that perfect point.



6. Flip your neckband up to check placement. If it isn't perfect, pull the basting stitches and try again.

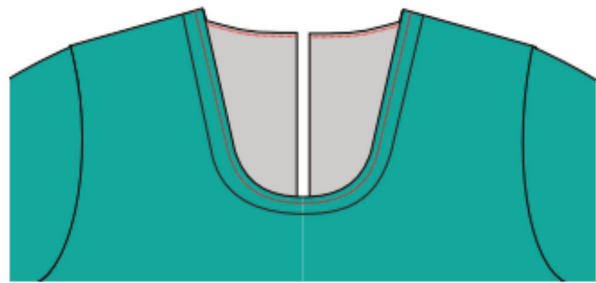
Repeat on the other back bodice piece with the other end of the neckband.





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7. Gently stretch your band to match the opening. **DO NOT** stretch your garment. Sew using a stretch stitch, zig zag or serger.



8. Flip your band up, give it a good press and topstitch. Topstitching is important to make sure your band lays flat, particularly at the back point where there are multiple layers.

