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Chapter 9 - Draft Patterns

Drafting a basic back of a sari blouse:

Measurements for a blouse

(All measurements are taken in Inches Only)

Blouse Length 14 inches + 0.5 inches = 14.5 inches

Shoulders 15 inches \div 2 = 7.5 inches

Arm Hole $18 \text{ inches} \div 2 = 9 \text{ inches}$

Bust $37 inches + 3 inches = 40 inches \div 4 = 10 inches$

Midriff $32 inches \div 4 = 8 inches$

Bust to Bust 7 inches \div 2 = 3.5 inches

Shoulder to Bust point 9.5 inches

Shoulder width 3 inches + 0.5 inches = 3.5 inches

Neck – Back Neckline 8 inches

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Step 1:

- 1. Firstly, draft the length of the blouse, from point A to point B.
- 2. From the top corner point of the length, draw across the shoulder line from point B to point C.
- 3. Continue down, by drafting the Armhole measurement, from point C to point D.(note: you need to reduce 1 or 1.5 inches from the taken armhole measurement while drafting this line because the sari blouse is a tight fitting attire.)
- *4. Draft the Bust line, from point E to point F.*
- 5. You need to add and additional 0.5 inches to the upper waist for the back darts. Then, draft the waist line, from point A to point G.
- 6. Join point F to point G.
- 7. Add the 1.5inches seam allowance and another 1.5inches hemming allowance.

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