

THE SEWING WORKSHOP

PATTERN COLLECTION

Taking out fullness at the top of the Japonesque Top

1. Narrow the shoulders 1" or less

Tape the Back Yoke to the Right Front and the Back (overlap 1 ¼").

Trace the armhole shape of your size from under the arm on the Front piece to the top dot on the yoke piece and repeat for the Back armhole.

Mark 1" in from the end of the shoulder seam.

Position the top of the traced armhole at the new shoulder mark. Pivot the tracing until the bottom of the traced armhole is aligned with the side seam (the point will be above the original armhole point).

Trace and redraw the armhole.

Repeat for the Back.

2. On both Front pieces, mark a point at least 1" inside the original top of the side seam along the armhole cutting line. Draw a new line from that point to whatever hip width you desire. Repeat on the Back piece.

3. On the Sleeve, mark a point 1" (or whatever number of inches you used on the Fronts in step 2) in at the top of the Sleeve seam. Redraw the new cutting line from that point to whatever width Sleeve at the wrist you desire.

