

Raglan Pet Blouse Sewing Pattern

Step-by-Step Guide – Beginner Friendly

Skill Level: Beginner – Intermediate

Garment Type: **Raglan sleeve pet blouse / dog sweater**

Fit: Small dog (can be resized)

This pet blouse uses a **raglan sleeve construction**, which means the sleeves extend diagonally to the neckline instead of attaching at a shoulder seam. This design gives pets **more comfort and mobility**, making it ideal for active dogs.



Finished Measurements (Example Size)

Back length: **42 cm (16.5 in)**
Chest width: **28 cm (11 in)**
Front length: **32 cm (12.5 in)**
Sleeve length: **21 cm (8.3 in)**

You can scale the pattern proportionally for different dog sizes.

Materials

Fabric suggestions:

- Cotton knit
- Sweatshirt fleece
- Stretch jersey
- Soft flannel

Additional supplies:

- Rib knit fabric for collar and cuffs
- Matching thread
- Fabric scissors
- Pins or clips
- Measuring tape
- Sewing machine or serger

Optional:

- Interfacing for neckline
- Decorative patches

Pattern Pieces

You will cut the following pieces from fabric.

Back (1 piece on fold)

Top width: **6 cm**
Side length: **42 cm**
Chest width: **28 cm**

This is the **largest piece** and forms the back of the blouse.

Front (1 piece on fold)

Neck width: **6 cm**

Side length: **32 cm**

Lower width: **12 cm**

The front piece is shorter to allow space for the pet's chest and legs.

Sleeves (2 pieces)

Top width: **10 cm**

Length: **21 cm**

Lower width: **7 cm**

These pieces connect from the collar to the underarm in raglan style.

Step 1 – Prepare the Fabric

Wash and press the fabric before cutting.

Place pattern pieces on folded fabric:

- Back on fold
- Front on fold
- Two sleeve pieces

Add **1 cm seam allowance** around all edges.

Cut the fabric carefully.

Step 2 – Attach Sleeves to Front

Place the **sleeve pieces right sides together with the front piece**.

Match the curved edges.

Sew the raglan seams from neckline to underarm.

Press seams open.

Step 3 – Attach Sleeves to Back

Place the **back piece right sides together with the sleeve edges.**

Align raglan seams.

Sew both sleeve seams to the back.

You will now have a **T-shaped garment structure.**

Step 4 – Sew Side Seams

Fold the garment right sides together.

Sew:

- Sleeve seams
- Side seams of body

Sew in one continuous seam from sleeve cuff to bottom hem.

Press seams.

Step 5 – Neckband

Cut rib knit strip:

Width: **4–5 cm**

Length: **80–90% of neckline circumference**

Join ends to form a loop.

Fold in half lengthwise.

Pin around neckline.

Sew with stretch stitch.

Step 6 – Sleeve Cuffs

Cut two rib knit strips.

Width: **4 cm**

Length: **slightly smaller than sleeve opening**

Join into loops.

Fold in half and attach to sleeves.

Step 7 – Bottom Hem

Fold the bottom edge up **1.5–2 cm**.

Sew with stretch stitch or twin needle.

This creates a clean finish.

Step 8 – Final Press

Press all seams.

Turn the blouse right side out.

Try it on your pet and adjust if necessary.

Tips for Best Fit

- Measure your dog's **neck, chest, and back length** before cutting.
- Use **stretch fabrics** so the blouse is comfortable.
- Always leave extra room for movement.

Optional Design Ideas

You can customize the blouse with:

- Decorative patches
- Name embroidery
- Hood addition
- Pocket on the back
- Printed fabrics