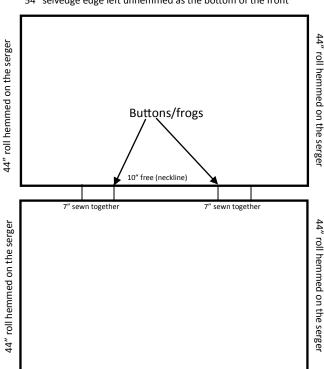


Silk Chiffon Poncho

"Whenever I want my spírits lífted, I put on my sílk chíffon butterfly poncho! Nothing moves líke sílk! I can wear it over pants, a skirt, a dress, or really anything that is black. I wear it often when making presentations, as it really does command attention! Rather surprisingly, it also provides a bit of warmth when air conditioned interiors get too chilly.

Nothing is more fun to wear!"

- 1. Purchase 3 yards of silk chiffon and cut it in half crosswise to create two panels that are 44" tall and 54" wide.
- 2. Hem three of the edges on each of the two pieces, leaving one long selvedge edge unhemmed as the bottom. You can use your serger to create a small rolled hem, you can hand sew a rolled hem or your can turn 1/4" twice to create a flat hem for these three edges. On Elfriede's butterfly poncho, the two short sides were roll hemmed on a serger and the long edge was flat hemmed.
- 3. Lay the two pieces side by side, with the long hemmed edges together. Leave 15" on each end open. Leave 9" in the center open (for the neckhole) and carefully stitch the rest of the edges together.
- 4. Add frogs or decorative buttons at either side of the neck.



54" selvedge edge left unhemmed as the bottom of the front

54" selvedge edge left unhemmed as the bottom of the back