

Flounce Front Tank

using #105 The Perfect Tank Top from Pamela's Patterns

This lovely addition to **The Perfect Tank Top** will add a bit of pizzazz to your wardrobe. Wear it alone or all year 'round under cardigans. The "flounce" is different than a ruffle as it doesn't create bulk. It looks great whether you have a large or small bustline!

You will need up to an extra ½ yard of fabric for the flounce pieces, depending on how many rows you desire.



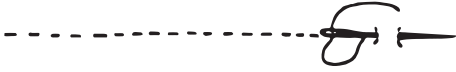
- ▶ Cut out the front pattern piece from fabric. If using the darted front, put in the darts.
- ▶ Spray a piece of medical table paper (the kind in the doctors office) or a lightweight tissue with a temporary spray adhesive and position the Tank Top Front on top of the paper, smoothing the fabric as you go. The paper will perform like a lightweight stabilizer. If using the darted front, "smoosh" the darts flat on the paper.
- ▶ Cut out the flounce circles on the fold. Cut through the circle (doesn't matter where). You can piece them together if you need more length.
- ▶ There is no need to finish or hem the outside edge of the flounce since knits don't ravel. If an unfinished edge doesn't appeal to you, use a serged narrow hem or turn under ¼" and straight stitch. Try a sample first to make sure you like the results.



For Tiered Flounces:

- ▶ Draw horizontal lines, 2" apart, across the top of the tank starting ½" down from the top and ending where desired.





Attaching the Flounces:



- ▶ Starting at the bottom line, pin the inside edge of the flouce to the Tank along the line. Stitch right through the paper/stabilizer with a 3-step zig zag stitch, W – 3.5 L – 2.0. Repeat for all of the rows.
- ▶ When the flounces are stitched down, staystitch at the neckline/armhole/side to hold them in place. Trim away any excess fabric from the edges and rip away as much of the medical paper as possible (what you can't get off will dissolve when you wash it!)
- ▶ Finish the Tank Top per the pattern instructions.

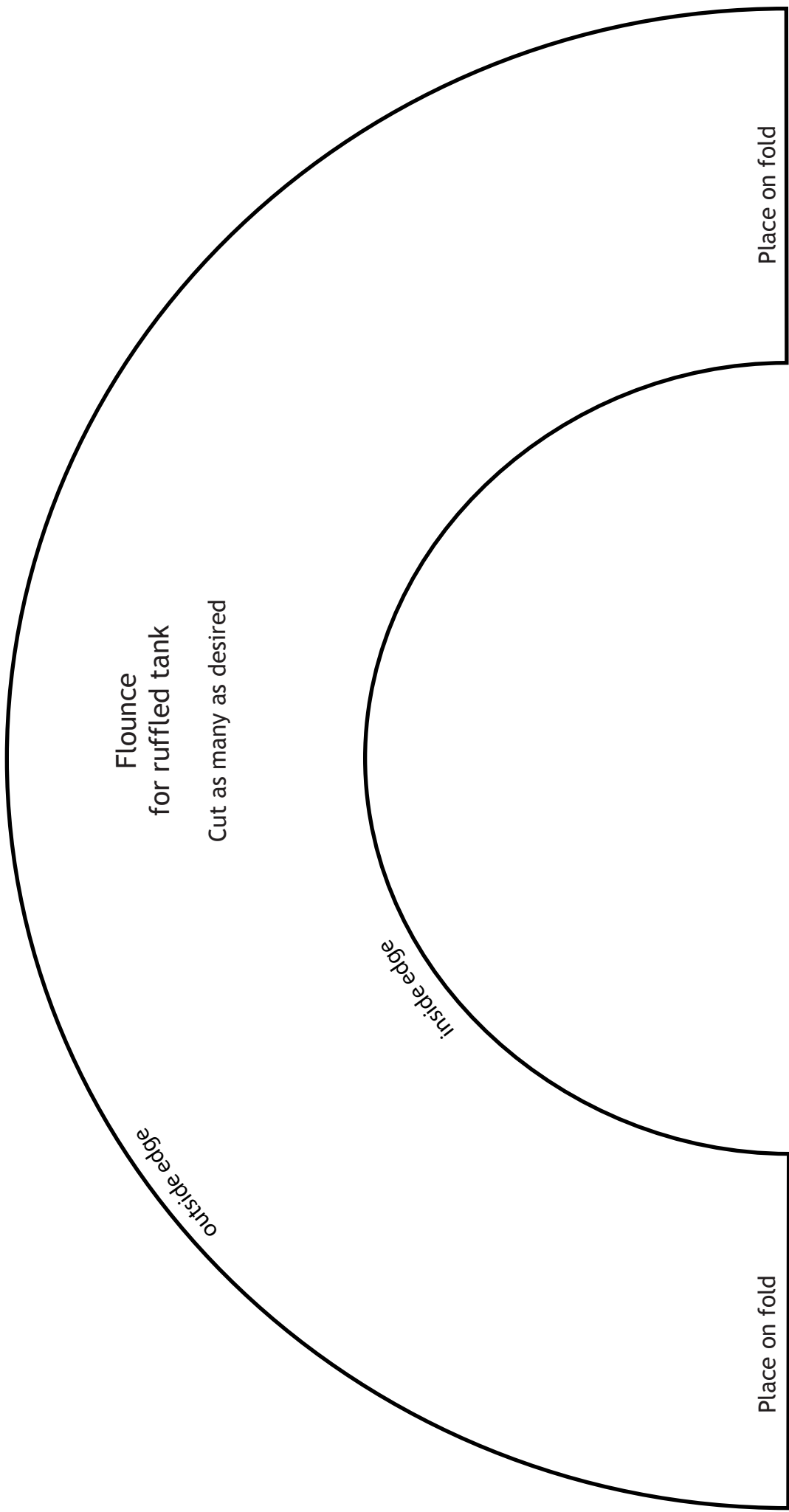
For Diagonal Flounces:



- ▶ Draw a line starting at the shoulder, follow along neckline and curve up slightly at the side seam. Repeat lines, 2" apart, as desired.
- ▶ This can be done all the way to the opposite shoulder – or sew a trim or self fabric binding to cover the cut edge of the first row.



Send photos of your finished creations to Pamela at Pamela@pamelaspatterns.com. Yours might end up on Pamela's social media, blog or website garment gallery!



Flounce
for ruffled tank

Cut as many as desired

outside edge

inside edge

Place on fold

Place on fold