How to Modify a Turtleneck Sewing Pattern into a Draped Cowl.

I used Jalie's Yoko for my sample. This pattern is a staple in my winter wardrobe, and I highly recommend it.

If you've never sewn using Jalie's patterns, this free one is a great way to familiarize yourself with them. https://jalie.com/3896-yoko-square-turtleneck-free-sewing-pattern

- Use a piece of pattern paper that when folded is a few inches wider and longer than the original collar pattern piece.
- 2. Place the original with the right-hand long edge even with the fold of the paper. Pin it into place.
- 3. Along the fold, make a mark 3 inches above the original.
- 4. Draw a line parallel to the left long side of the original pattern 2 inches away.
- 5. Use a ruler to measure the length of the original neckline, then draw a line beginning at the bottom left edge of the original pattern, ending on that line you just drew. It will be on an angle, but MUST be the same measurement as the original!
- 6. Join the top of that diagonal line with the mark you made in step #3.
- 7. Cut the folded paper to make your new pattern, then transfer the info onto it.
- 8. Cut it out on the fold as marked, with the fabric folded with right sides together.
- 9. To sew your new collar, sew the center back seam to form a tube.
- 10. Open out and refold with wrong sides together, matching the center back seam. That tube is your new cowl collar, ready to be sewn into your neck opening.
- 11. I like to quarter-pin both the collar and the neckline, before sewing it into place.

Any questions?

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