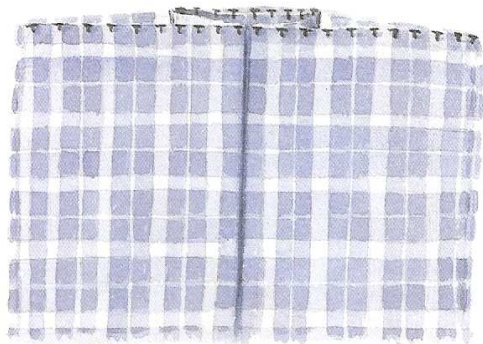


5 For the back, cut a panel of fabric 20 cm wide by the drop of the chair plus 10 cm. Pin to the centre of the top back panel and trim away top only, leaving a 1.5 cm seam allowance. This will form the inside of the inverted pleat.



6 Cut two panels of fabric to the same drop as the panel in step 5, by half the width of the back plus 15 cm extra on each panel. Pin each half over the the centre panel leaving a 5 cm seam allowance on each outside edge. Fold in the excess fabric in the centre and T-pin to the back and sides. Trim the top only to leave a 1.5 cm seam allowance. This has now formed the inverted pleat at the back.



7 Now that all the T-pins are in place on the chair, start to replace these with ordinary pins, horizontally, along every seam allowance, making sure you don't pin the cover to the actual chair. Work your way around the whole chair. Using dressmaker's chalk, mark the wrong side of the fabric inside the seam crease, on all the seams. Next, cut triangular notches into the seam allowance at about every 10 cm. Both of these serve as seam guides.



8 Carefully remove the whole cover from the chair in one piece. To seam the panels together, turn the pinned sections inside out, one at a time. Remove the pins one by one and invert the fabric (right sides now facing). Re-pin in place on the wrong side of the fabric. Continue to turn the cover wrong side out, using the chalk line and notches for correct aligning. Pin down the two raw edges of the inverted pleat at the back, leaving a 1.5 cm seam allowance on both sides.

