



enough fabric left over to cut a little shrug from a Simplicity pattern. I'm afraid that a new sewer will give up, thinking she will never master sewing doll clothes. I'm writing this post on behalf of beginners. Doll sleeves are more difficult to set in than the sleeves of people clothes because the armhole is small. It can be done. My big problem is this: The drawings of the sleeves show a nicely fitted sleeve, but if you look at the author's actual example of her sewing, she has tucks in her sleeves. This isn't right. A sleeve should only pucker if it is gathered. Smooth or gathered. No in-between.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. TERRIFIC pattern book! BUT afraid to try them!!!By Jola L. JamesSOOOOO glad that I bought this book! It had some super cute patterns! All of these are spring/summer outfits. I am going to look for the same book, only with the fall/winter patterns! If you are into making doll clothes for the 18" dolls then you will LOVE this book! The patterns are all full size so all you have to do is trace them out!!!UPDATE! After reading the reviews about the patterns NOT fitting, I am scared to waste time and money in doing the clothes! REALLY a huge shame because the clothes ARE just SO cute! I love them, BUT if when I make them they don't fit, then I am out my time and fabric! I am SO disappointed!!!!!!3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. DisappointedBy Jan P.Love to Dress Up 18" Doll ClothesI was very disappointed in this book. The very first thing I made did not even come close to fitting my granddaughter's American Girl Doll. (tankini top) It would not even close - way too small around. When I bought the book on , I assumed that it was written for dolls such as the AG dolls, but the small print says you must measure carefully before you cut. Now I have a book which is not useful for me. I do not want to redo the pattern pieces. Also, I was disappointed in the pattern pages. The patterns are printed on two sides of the paper and attached to the book. So I had to tear out a page, copy both sides to use as pattern pieces. Not so fun or useful. I wish the book had been up front about not fitting the AG doll like most books are. I also found the parts about corrections to be found on a website. If the pattern pieces are wrong, they should not have been printed for sale. I have a book, which I cannot use and cannot return since I tore out a page of patterns for that top.

Doll and sewing enthusiasts alike will enjoy this pattern collection that is full of cute, coordinated miniature outfits. This copiously illustrated manual gives crafters step-by-step instructions on how to use fabric from store-bought, pre-bundled fabric to create unique clothes and adorable accessories. From a fun pair of bunny pajamas to a bubble sundress, this collection will inspire even beginning crafters to join in on the sewing fun.

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