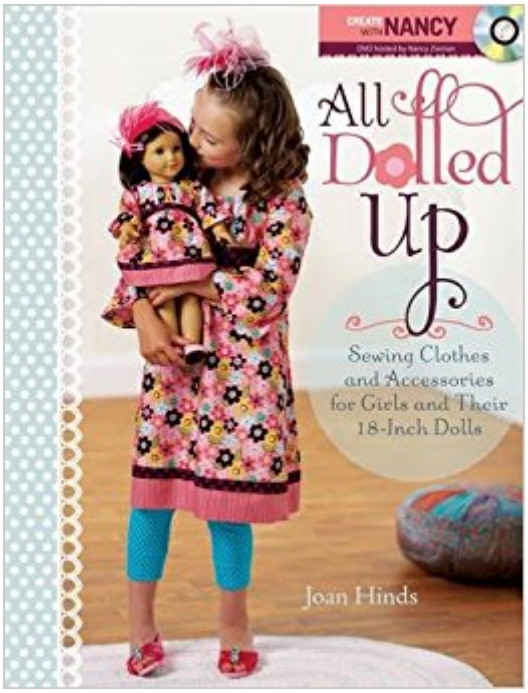
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All Dolled Up: Sewing Clothes And Accessories For Girls And Their 18-Inch Dolls



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Stylish Outfits for Girls and Their Dolls!A girl and her doll are fast friends indeed. Add in coordinating outfits, and nothing could be cuter! You can make adorable coordinating outfits for the girl in your life and the doll in hers with the help of "All Dolled Up"! From flowered party dresses, summer tops and Capri pants to fleece vests and messenger bags, the projects inside "All Dolled Up" provide easy, fun and fashionable outfits for every season and time of day.Make 20 different outfits including dress-up clothes, casual wear, pajamas and accessories.Create the clothing using full-size patterns for all of the doll projects and many of the girl projects.Learn time-saving techniques for creating clothing for 18-inch dolls, making any outfit in 30 minutes or less.Watch the techniques in action with author Joan Hinds and Nancy Zieman on the bonus DVD.Learn even more tips and techniques from Nancy Zieman in her Notes from Nancy throughout the book.Making matching outfits for your girl and her doll is easy and fun with "All Dolled Up"!Video DVD player or software required to view enclosed DVD.

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Customer Reviews

Joan Hinds, owner of Fancywork and Fashion, has authored thirteen doll costume pattern books. She publishes a quarterly newsletter for those who love to sew dolls, and she has appeared on the PBS series "America Sews with Sue Hausmann."Nancy Zieman is an author, pattern designer,

business woman, home economist, and national sewing authority and is the host of the popular show Sewing With Nancy, which appears exclusively on public television stations across the United States and Canada.

If you're looking for Dolly and Me projects similar to the one pictured on the cover, don't buy this book! The cover dress, which is by far the cutest thing in the book, is NOT included in the child size. Also patterns for the pajamas, the jeans, the leggings, the capri pants, and the T-Shirt portion of the T-Shirt dress are NOT included in the child size. With the exception of the cover dress, the patterns in this book are simple and uninspiring. Most of patterns have no interesting features; they look homemade. I've only been sewing for a couple years, but I don't need a pattern to sew a rectangle, put shoulder straps on it, and call it a jumper. Similarly, the tiered skirt is rectangles gathered to an elastic waist. You can find oodles of blogs and tutorials on the Internet with instructions for sewing such things FOR FREE. I can concede that this approach might be helpful for very young sewists who want to make their own doll clothes. But the book certainly isn't marketed for young sewists. I thought purchasing this book would be more economical than purchasing a bunch of doll and girl patterns individually. And I trusted the names Joan Hinds and Nancy Zieman. For the number of interesting Dolly AND ME patterns in this book, it is certainly not worth the $19 I paid for it. An earlier poster mentioned Martha Pullen is selling it for $5; that might be reasonable.For your information, here are the projects in the book:1. T-Shirt Dress2. Tiered Skirt3. Corduroy Jumper4. Flowered Party Dress (from the cover)5. T-Shirts for Doll6. Capri Pants & Summer Top7. Embroidered Jeans & Braided Belt8. Recycled Jeans Skirt & Reversible Vest9. Fleece Vest10. Monkey Pajamas11. Classic Nightgown12. Cupcake Apron13. Sun Visor14. Messenger Bag15. Fleece Hat and Scarf Set16. Doll Tote Bag for GirlUpdate Sep 2012 - I finally got around to making the only doll garment in this book that I really like: the cover dress. There are no pattern pieces for the burgundy polkadot trim. In fact, you have to read really carefully to realize that the polkadot trim is not really a trim; it's an integral part of the dress. On both the bodice and the skirt, it is a band sewn in with seam allowances. What I'm saying is that if you plan to skip the trim or to replace it with piping or ric-rac or some other thing that doesn't ADD LENGTH, you will end up with a bodice and a skirt that are BOTH shortened, and a dress that is more like a tunic. Ask me how I know.... I haven't yet made the dress exactly as shown, with the two trim pieces at the proper length, but even when I do, I still plan to add a smidge to the bottom of the main bodice and the main skirt because it just seems that short. Notice in the picture how the young girl's hands cover the doll's knees so that you don't notice that the dress does NOT reach the knees.

My big idea for my two girls (5 and 2) this year for Christmas was to buy a doll, make matching clothes for the girls and the dolls. Had to order this book! I love it because for me (new to the sewing machine and pattern reading) the added dvd of how to make most of the things in the book is so easy to understand. The only let down I had was for the pattern of the party dress on the front cover, there is no pattern for the girl only the doll. It instructs you to buy a certain pattern. Other than that I have no complaints. I have started making the tote bags that carry the dolls. It's so fun to pick colors and match things I know each girl will love. It takes time and effort to figure it all out but I'm certain on Christmas morning it will be worth it all! :) Thank you Mrs. Joanna for taking something that seemed so difficult and breaking it down for us beginners.

Several cute projects, but the few I was really looking forward to making didn't actually include patterns for the girls' sized clothing, just for the dolls. Why would I buy a book to make clothes from only to be told to go out and shop for a pattern anyway? I could've just bought the patterns for the price of the book and worked out the doll patterns myself. If you don't mind having to shop for additional patterns, or you really only want to make the doll clothes, this might be a great buy. I know how to draft patterns from scratch, so I'm sure I can get use out of this as inspiration for my own designs, but for someone without those skills this may not be the book for you.

My seven granddaughters, ages 1-6, each has an 18-inch doll that resembles her. For birthdays, holidays, and Christmas, I love to give them matching clothes for themselves and their dolls. I'm a teacher and my husband is a truck driver, so we don't have a lot of money. When I give gifts (especially times seven!), I want them to be very special, but they can't be expensive. The book "All Dolled Up: Sewing Clothes and Accessories for Girls and Their 18-Inch Dolls" is just what I hoped it would be. The patterns are adorable and easy-to-make. If I remember correctly, I believe the girl sizes covered from 4 through 7, but I believe they would also be easy to adapt for smaller or larger sizes. There is also an amazing variety -- skirts, pajamas, dresses, tops -- everything I would ever hope to make. I would highly recommend this quality resource.

This book is great for those of us who have daughters/grandaughters who are caught up in the 18 inch doll craze ">Read more

Great book and accompanying video cd rom. Beautiful patterns and pictures.Huge error in patterns:

you can’t cut them out from the paper because THEY PRINTED DIFFERENT PATTERNS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PAPER.Cutting one out ruins the other on other side, so you are forced to trace them.Other than that work-stopage-and-gift-annihilating blunder...great book.

The book is great if you are not new to sewing. Know in advance that you will have to make photocopies of the patterns as they are double sided and doll patterns are superimposed on the girl patterns. Read all of the steps before buying or cutting. Not everything you need is listed at the beginning. I had to make 5 trips to the fabric store for things that I didn’t realize that I needed. Get a little extra fabric for each one. On some I needed more on others I had lots left over. There is no allowance for width of the fabric so if it is narrow get extra. If it is wide get less.The clothes are adorable and my granddaughter loves them!

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