



Costume Pattern for Marnie: Dress, Apron and Bloomers

Doll shown by Kate Forrest. Clothes by Renee Derra.

Materials:

3" lightweight silk or cotton fabric, regular width

3" fine batiste or muslin, regular width

1 yd. ¼" fine cotton lace edging

5 tiny buttons, beads or snaps for back closure of dress and apron

All seam allowances are 1/8" unless otherwise indicated. Overcast all inside seams for neatness and authenticity. Use double thread for gathering stitches. Press seams as you go for a neat, finished look.

CF = Center Front

CB = Center Back

WRST = With right sides together

WWST = With wrong sides together

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Bloomers

Pattern piece #1

1. Hem lower edge of each leg and attach flat pieces of lace edging with a whipstitch.
2. Run a gathering stitch along lower edge of each leg, leaving the ends of the thread loose for tying later.
3. WRST sew pieces together at CF and CB.
4. WRST sew crotch seam.
5. Hem top edge and run a gathering stitch along the edge. Turn to right side.
6. Try bloomers on doll. Pull gathering stitches at waist and lower legs to fit doll and secure the ends of the thread together.

Dress

Pattern pieces #2, 3, 4

1. Roll hem neckline of bodice (piece #2). Cut a 3" piece of lace edging and pull the gathering thread just until the lace starts to curve to fit the neckline. Use a whipstitch to attach lace to neck edge. The wrong side of the lace should be lying down against the right side of the bodice.
2. Hem lower edge of each sleeve (piece #3). Whipstitch a flat piece of lace edging to lower edge of sleeve. Sew a piece of tiny decorative braid along the flat edge of the lace.
3. Run a gathering stitch along lower edge of each sleeve.
4. Gather top of each sleeve to fit the armhole and sew in place WRST.
5. WRST sew the underarm and side seams of bodice.
6. Try bodice on doll and mark skirt (piece #4) to desired length. Hem lower edge of skirt where marked. Whipstitch a flat piece of lace edging to lower edge of skirt. Sew a piece of tiny decorative braid along the flat edge of the lace.
7. Gather top edge of skirt to fit bodice. WRST sew skirt to bodice. If desired, partially seam up the CB seam, starting at lower edge of skirt.
8. Hem CB edges of bodice and skirt.
9. Sew on three tiny snaps at CB for closure. As an option and to reduce bulk the back edges may be sewn together with tiny hand stitches. Sew a tiny button or bead on top of each snap.
10. Pull gathering stitches in sleeves to fit doll's arms and secure the ends of the thread together. Sew a piece of tiny decorative braid on top of each sleeve along gathering line.

Apron

1. Cut a 5" X 2" strip of muslin or batiste for the skirt. For the waistband cut a strip 1/2" X the measurement of the doll's waist (on top of clothes) plus 3/4". Mark CF on both pieces.
2. Hem sides and lower edge of apron skirt. Use tiny running stitches to attach a flat piece of lace edging along bottom of skirt. The scalloped edge of the lace should be even with the lower edge of the skirt. Sew a piece of tiny decorative braid along the flat edge of the lace.
3. Gather the top edge of the skirt and pull it up to about 1 1/2". WRST and matching the marks at CF, sew skirt to waistband.
4. Fold waistband toward wrong side of skirt. WWST and turning under 1/8" seam allowances, slipstitch all edges of waistband together.
5. Close overlapped edges of waistband at CB with two tiny snaps or sew edges together.
6. Sew a tiny button or bead on top of each snap.

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