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**Customer Reviews**

As it's very expensive to buy individual vintage patterns for your dolls, here's a wonderful source for basic patterns of many sizes. A very good size chart is included with height, arm length, chest width, etc. measurements to compare to your doll. I was a bit confused by the re-sizing patterns, but I figured it out eventually. Dress styles suit vintage dolls (i.e., simple dresses, sundresses, pj's, coats, etc.) However, you could contempnorize them with fabric choices. I would not recommend this book for beginners as there are few instructions of how to sew the patterns. I believe this book is intended for those who don't usually have to read instructions for these simple styled patterns.

The book is terrific once you learn how to use it. Took a while for me--but I appreciate the different sizes and the styles that are interchangeable. The introduction could do a better job of explaining how to make the patterns work.

This book offers quite a variety of patterns for many sizes of dolls. It is not for the novice sewer as
the adjustments for certain patterns require previous knowledge and more advanced sewing skills. Patterns must be copied or traced before use, as the larger sizes are on multiple pages. However, sizes range from 7" dolls to larger 18"+ dolls.

It’s a beautiful, well produced book, with nice pictures. BUT, the patterns, especially the patterns for the larger dolls, are practically incomprehensible and I’ve been sewing for years. The explanation on how to use these patterns is insufficient. If I had actually seen the book before buying, it would still be sitting on the shelf. I don’t know if I’ll even use the patterns and I will probably end up re-selling the book. The photos of the dressed dolls were great and provide good ideas, but trying to decipher the patterns probably isn’t worth the trouble. Very disappointing.

Rosemarie Ionker is a well know doll seamstress, first in Germany and then with her book, the rest of us. It is beautiful but it isn’t for the novice sewer. An advanced seamstress can manage to find the correct patterns that correspond to the design. Not a lot of instructions, she assumes that the reader has some knowledge of sewing. I loved it, but then I have been sewing for over 50 years!

This book and others by her are wonderful inspirations for making quality doll clothes. She includes the patterns and instructions for very durable, lovely, and detailed clothing for numerous size dolls. I have made many of the items for various dolls and they turn out beautiful. She is an inspiration!

The Rosemarie Ionker book “Dressing Dolls” arrived in very good condition. It is exactly as described. I have other books by this author and had been looking for the book. The cost for this used book was much less than a new copy. New copies can be hard to locate. I am happy with my purchase.

This is an awesome book for the doll artist. A wonderful grouping of costumes that most anyone will be able to use. Now all your little creations can have a pretty costume. Well worth the money.

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