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# The Fashion Designer's Handbook & Fashion Kit: Learn To Sew And Become A Designer In 33 Fabulous Projects



## Synopsis

Young girls love fashion. They love Project Runway. They love expressing themselves through what they wear. And they want to be fashion designers. It's the No. 1 dream job for girls ages 8 to 12, according to The New York Times. Here in one kit is everything a girl needs to know to start designing and sewing clothes—a lively, full-color book that comes with a doll-size dress form, 24 reusable patterns, rick rack, embroidery thread, a tape measure, and a piece of fabric printed in three vibrant patterns. The Fashion Designer's Handbook and Fashion Kit features 33 projects that range from super easy dresses for 11 1/2-inch fashion dolls (including Barbie) all the way to girl-size projects for the designer to make and wear herself. It shows how to think and work like a designer—from finding inspiration to sketching to developing a personal style. Getting to know fabrics, fibers, and materials; working with patterns; and creating original designs using the dress form. The Mod Mini 1-2-3 Skirt. The No-Sew Sock Dress. Little Red Cape and Coco Jacket. Every project is clearly explained in step-by-step instructions and requires little to no adult help.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

I brought this for my 9 year old niece who lives in another state. I of course had to read it first and was so pleased with this book. I am thinking about buying another one for my collection so if she has any questions I can pull out my book as reference. Page 28 shoes how to make a dress, skirt,

and purse out of a sock. It is so good I think it deserve a special place in my library.

NOT because I want to learn to sew, that is perfectly normal. BUT I bought this kit for myself rather than an 8-12 year old. What I like about it is it is very clear, very concise, yet has a lot of really good information. One of my favorite pages is the one that describes the different types of fabric and what they feel and look like when worn. It even has a page that tells you how to make your own felted wool. I mean seriously? Plus I think I could easily use the small patterns for the dolls and mathematically enlarge them to be big enough for me. And its a much less expensive dress form than the one I want for \$80....Anyways, yes I'm a nerd but I really like this. My sewing class will find it hilarious :) I recommend this for any new sewer, be them young or old :)

I got this book for my almost 9 year old granddaughter and she loved it. She immediately cut out a pattern and made a professional looking dress. She had no problems doing this and she absolutely loved it. Would highly recommend it.

My daughter received this as a gift for her 9th birthday and she loves it. She has used several of the patterns to make dresses for her barbie doll. She has never liked playing with barbie's but loves designing clothes for them and dressing them up. I like how this book is easy to understand and truly geared toward young children, but is not too cutesy. The author put a lot of care into writing this book and it's very well done.

I gave this book as a birthday present to my 9 yo daughter. She immediately started to create all kind of clothes and try it on the mannequin. And still playing with this kit.

This is a wonderful project book for children 10-12 years old. My niece loved it and is making doll clothes to sell at her home school network.

I love the book that comes with this kits but there's only one piece of fabric in this box and it has about 4 different patterned squares on it. I expected more supplies for the price... but the book does have small patterns in it, which I re-sized for my kids to fit their barbie dolls and even the Mytwin 23" in the dolls.

This was the 'perfect' addition to my little niece's starter kit of 'designing and sewing' !! She is only 6

but after drawing 'fairy' dresses, she is now putting her idea's on this little form !! It's fun to watch her imagination take flight !! Thank you for 'another' wonderful product to encourage little ones !!!

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