

Wren ★ Feathers

Summer Sew-Along 2013 Part 7: A-line dress with ruffles



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I assume you have basic sewing knowledge and the pictures should suffice, but if you need help please email me!

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The AG pattern for this was taken from the Pleasant Company pattern for Molly's slip, available free here: <http://www.agplaythings.com/AG%20Patterns/DollDressPatterns.html>

To avoid printing ruffle patterns, measure the bottom of the dress. Multiply that number by 2 and cut your ruffle that measurement by 1.5" (or desired ruffle length).

The first version (on the AG) has a top ruffle inspired by the AG plaid party dress, although that one has a separate gathered skirt attached to a bodice.



Cut a ruffle your desired width by the length of the dress and hem long edges and gather. Tuck bottom ends under and stitch to dress. Cover with ribbon/trim if desired.



Attach trim as shown to arm and neck holes then turn under and topstitch (or use bias binding)



This version is a *little* more complicated, but if you have some sewing experience you should be able to figure it out easily. Basically you're making a lined bodice and attaching it to an A-line skirt after the ruffles are on it.



Slash your pattern where you want the bodice to end and **ADD ¼" SEAMS TO THE BOTTOM OF THE BODICE AND TOP OF THE SKIRT**

Cut lining and main as shown.

Before hemming my ruffles were:

2.5" x 23" (bottom two) and 2.5" x 17" (top two)

Adjust those dimensions for larger sizes.



Draw lines with chalk where ruffles should be. Mine were 1.5" apart. Gather and zigzag ruffles to skirt lining, encasing the top one in the skirt-to-bodice-seam. Add trim/ribbon/etc. if desired.



Summer sew-along A-line
for 16"-18" slim dolls
Adapted from Molly's slip pattern from
Pleasant company by Jennie Bagrowski
front cut 1 on fold

Summer sew-along A-line
for 16"-18" slim dolls
Adapted from Molly's slip pattern from
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back cut 2

one
inch

This is sized for Sasha – add 1.5"-
2" to bottom length to make it a
dress for KnC or leave as is to be
a long top.