

Wren ★ Feathers

Summer Sew Along 2017: Week 1

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Quarter inch seams allowed on all pieces unless otherwise specified.

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

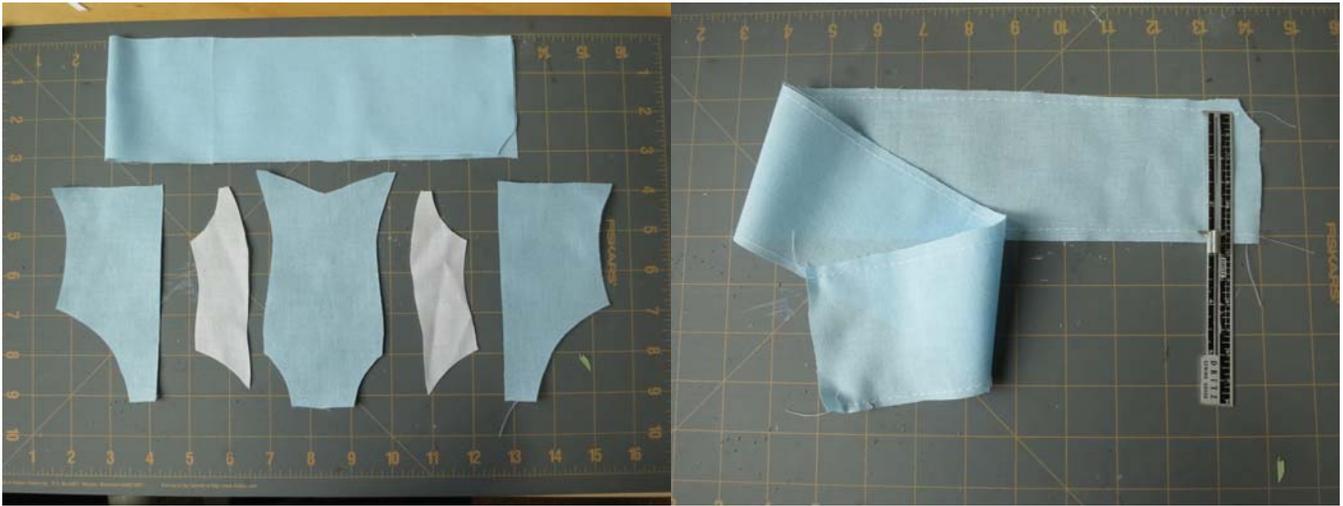
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The original of this was from June 1958. I'm not sure it was intended to be a swimsuit...possibly more of a one-piece undergarment at child scale. For a doll, however, once you add the cute ruched sides, it becomes too thick to wear under anything else without having a significant effect on the fit.





Shown on Wellie Wisher Kendall

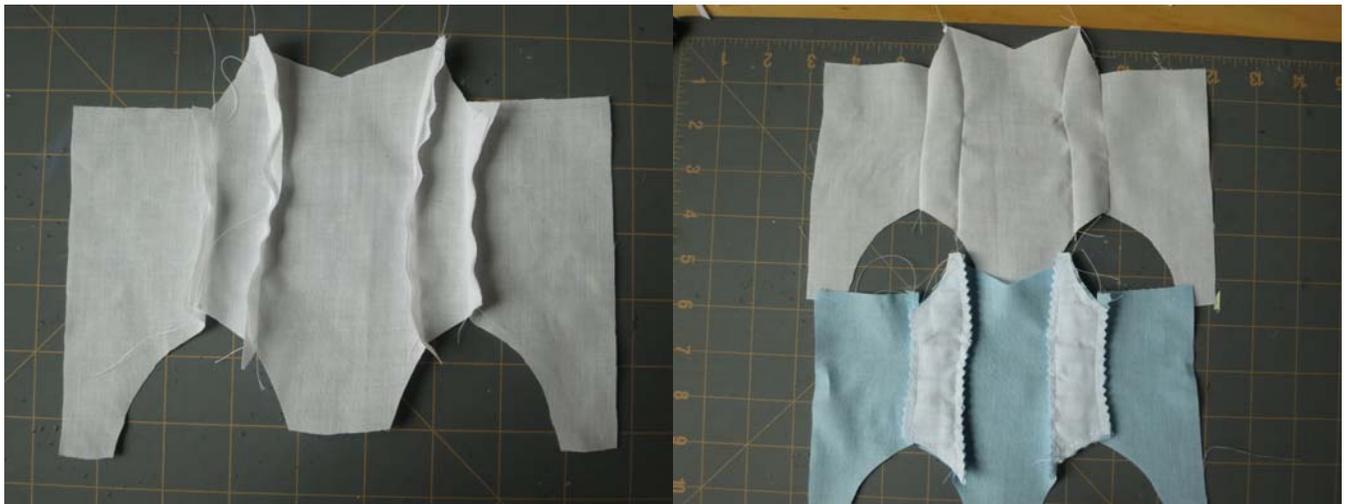
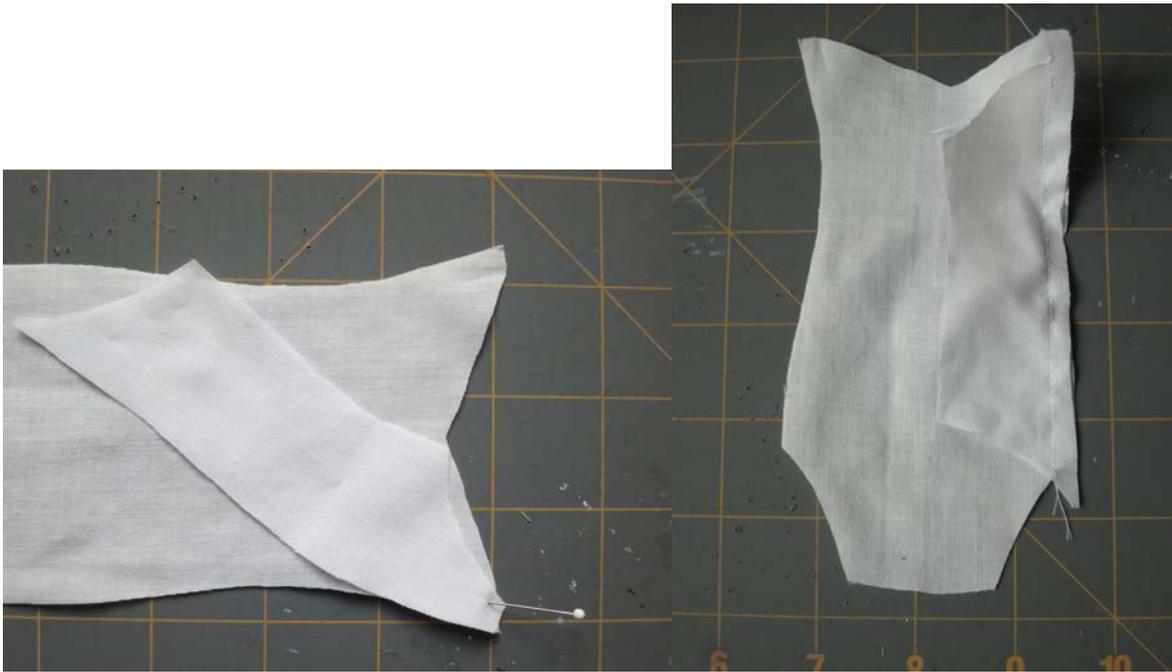


To make the ruched sides, you'll need to baste the ruching onto the sides cut out from very thin fabric, like batiste which is what I used for lining.

Cut a strip of fabric 20" by about 3". Run a gathering thread along each side making sure they're at least 2.5" apart.



Once the gathers are all steamed into place, stretch it out to 9" long, steam again, then baste the sides cut from lining fabric onto the ruched strip and cut out.



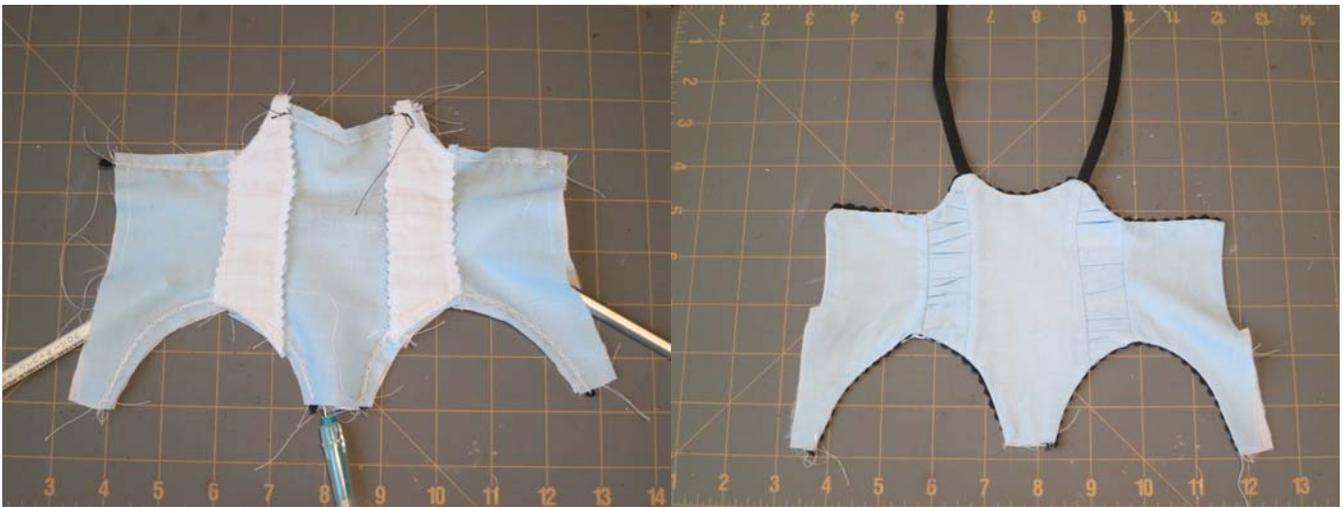
Make lining and sew main together. Clip/pink curves



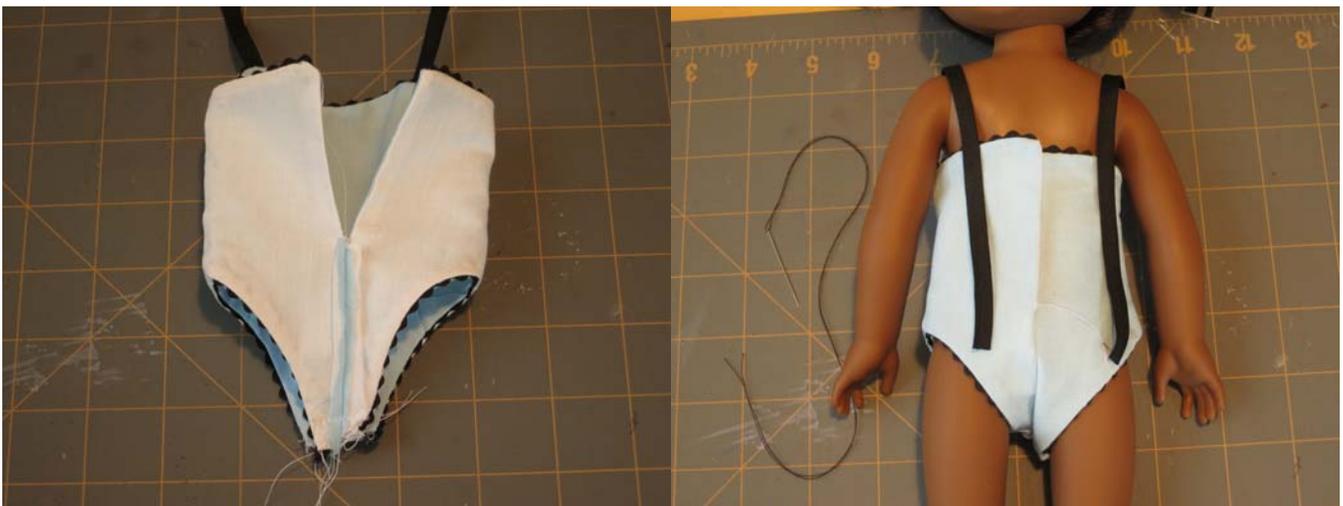
If you're decorating with rickrack, baste a guideline $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the top and leg edges now.



Baste rickrack right in the center of the guideline. Fold in straps and topstitch long edge or use 1/4" ribbon. Baste to points.



Sew right on top of your basting stitch guidelines, leaving openings where pencils are stuck in. Clip, turn, press.



Sew CB edge then crotch. Yes, mine don't line up, but I modified the pattern again after this part, so yours will ☺. Close back with snaps, overlapping to fit. Adjust strap length and stitch to inside by hand.

