

# Wren ★ Feathers

## Summer Sew Along 2017: Week 4

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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 from June, 1958 looks to have had embroidery on the collar, and a sash, which I omitted. Collars were sometimes very small in the 1950s, and I kept that look for this dress. Make sure though, that you clip very well around the neckline and press down flat, or the tiny collar will fly up like wings 😊 Want a more modern play dress? Make the top out of T-shirt fabric, omitting the collar and use gathered matching fabric or a quilting print for the skirt.



My skirt was 3.75" by 28" before hemming, pleating and trimming excess. Instructions to do pleats without a pleating foot are on the next page.



Set your machine for basting stitches and choose a reference point on your machine about 1" from the presser foot. I used the bottom of that little black button on the right., but you can also put a piece of masking tape to mark it on your machine.

Sew 3-4 stitches (almost to the edge of your previous pleat) and push the fabric from your reference point to under the presser foot.



