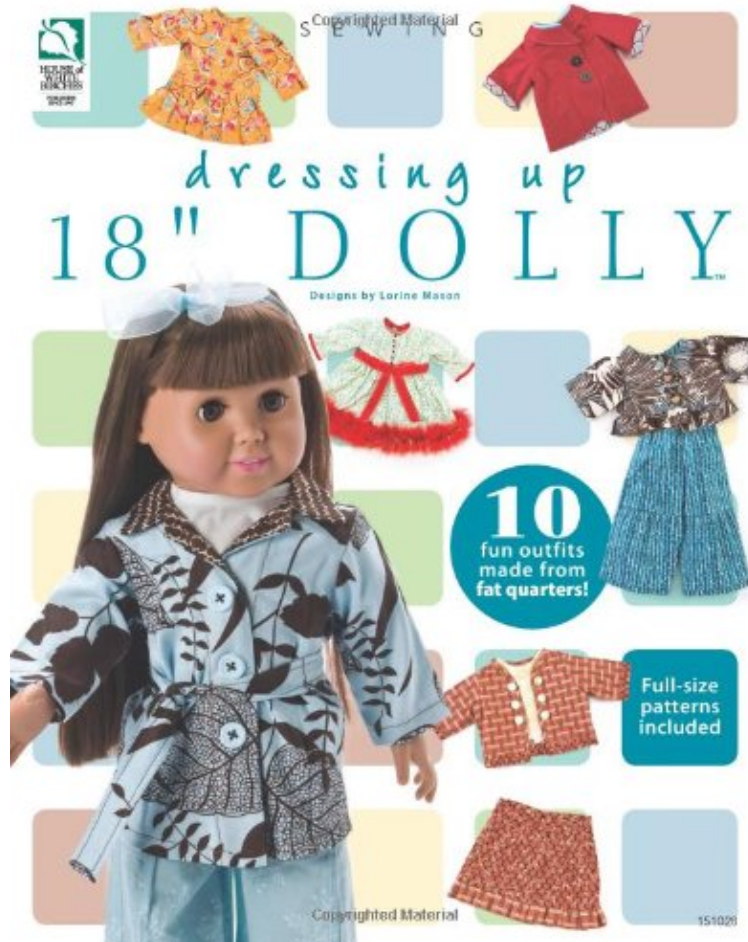


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6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. unattractive and incorrectly proportioned designsBy Emma LovelI bought this book before I became more aware of what goes into designing great doll clothing. I took a doll clothing design class online, and I learned about creating correct proportion for dolls, and making clothing that looks like clothing you'd actually want to wear, not "doll clothing".This book is fine if you aren't that particular and just want to make *something* that will fit a doll. But if you really want to create quality doll clothing that looks really good to the eye and that is appealing for girls who are the audience for these dolls, this is not a good book to learn with.Here is an example of what I mean. For doll clothing to look correctly proportioned on a doll, the print pattern has to be proportionately smaller. If you look at the size of the print and compare it to the doll's hand, or eye, it should be similar to how the pattern would look on a human. That means it shouldn't have a flower on it as big as a the doll's head - that would look wrong on a human, and it looks wrong on a doll. And sometimes you don't see it until you look at really

well-designed doll outfits and they just look way better. There are several examples of outfits in this book that are made with fabric where the pattern is just too big for this scale. Even the one on the cover. Imagine that outfit scaled up to a human - the fabric takes up a huge amount of space. That fabric is simply scaled for people, not dolls. The sizing on these outfits are also off. Most of them look too loose and big. Because American Girl dolls are barrel chested, it's easy to make them look too big, so clothing needs to take that into account and be close fitting. Dolls don't look any better in muumuu-size outfits than humans do. Lastly, these dolls are really aimed at pre-teens, not very small girls. That means they care about fashion and want their dolls to wear clothing that they would wear. The outfits in this book do not seem like anything that a pre-teen would wear at all (or even most adults). They are not modern or fashionable and it looks like the author just did not ask themselves this question. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Simplistic doll clothing for 18" dolls By Goldenrod farm I ordered this book on line and am somewhat disappointed with it. The idea of the styles is good but the actual rendition of them are poorly fitting. Pants are over sized in legs and bulky. Sleeves are sometimes too short and sometimes too long for the same doll, I would normally advise measuring and adjusting the patterns for each doll as there is a lot of latitude in doll sizes, but I would expect the size to remain constant throughout the book. This may be a better book for beginners and children to start with that don't want to do much fussing with patterns and don't care if they don't fit quite right. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Not for me. By Tana I don't like it at all. The patterns are very amateur which I could not tell by looking at it on the internet. I thought I was going to get a nice coat pattern from it but when I got the book I saw that it was a very strange pattern. I am an advanced seamstress and I would recommend it to absolutely no one.

Featuring stylish designs for cool-weather doll clothes, this collection includes general instructions, detailed illustrations, and full-sized patterns to help novice sewers create contemporary doll fashions. The projects in this pattern book include a wool coat, a tunic, pajamas, several dress patterns, a professional suit, a cropped jacket, and a fitted blouse. Special instructions are also included for making and using bias tape and folding pleats into fabric.

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