## **Dress RACHEL**

## Photo Tutorial

This dress is great for mixing and matching your remnants and, when using light-weight cottons, can be sewn as a summer dress. When made with long sleeves, sewn of small wale corduroy, velveteen or flannel, RACHEL is also a beautiful winter dress. If made of linen, lace or satin, this dress will make any occasion special.

The dress is sized for a child of average build. The fit can be adjusted using the side ties. For a more solidly build girl, the ties may be omitted.

The dress is easy to sew. It closes in the back with buttons or snaps.



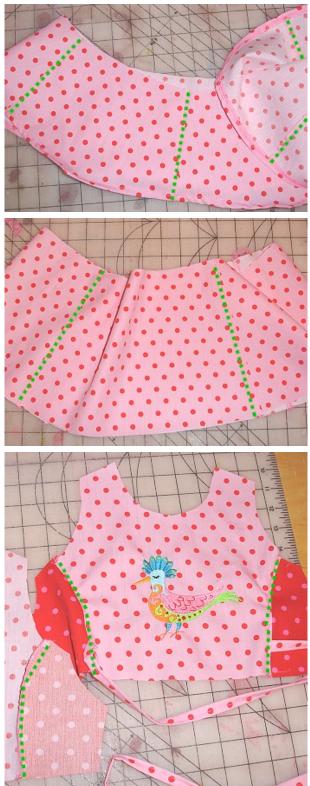
## Photo Illustration

## Directions



Cut and finish all pattern pieces according to the piece list, adding a seam allowance.

Stitch the side seams of all 8 pieces of the lower pointed flounce right sides together to form a ring.



Press the seam allowances in one direction, topstitch and hem.

If you chose long sleeves, repeat this with the sleeve flounce.

Also stitch the side seams of the four middle flounce pieces right sides together to form a ring and topstitch from the right side.

Stitch the side pieces to the front and back pieces, right sides together. If ties are desired, insert ties or ribbons before you stitch the seam. Press the seam allowance towards the middle and topstitch.



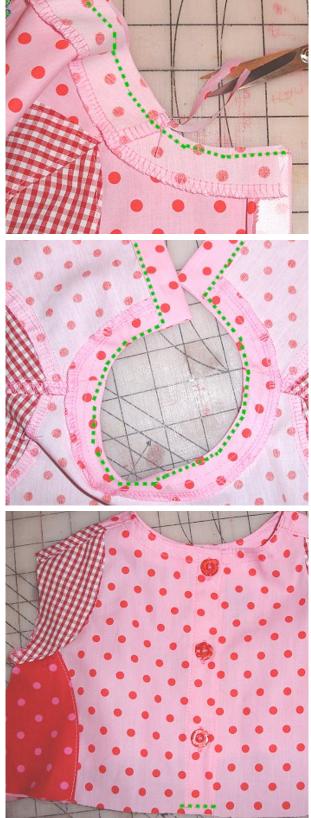
With right sides together, stitch the shoulder yoke pieces to the front and back bodice. Fold the seam allowance towards the yoke parts and topstitch.

Stitch the shoulder seams, right sides together. Press the seam allowance towards the front piece and topstitch.

Neckline facings of light fabrics should be strengthened with fusible interfacing. Then close the shoulder seams as well.

Apply fusible interfacing to the button panel, turn it on the right fabric side and fold the seam allowance under.

Pin the neckline facing to the neckline.



Stitch along the neckline. Trim and grade the seam allowance and turn the facing inside.

Topsititch up the button panel, around the neckline and back down the other side of the button panel in one continuous motion.

Mark and stitch buttonholes. Attach buttons. You may also choose to use snaps.

Baste stitch the lower raw edges of the button panel on the seam allowance together to secure in place.



Stitch the sleeves, turn the seam allowance towards the yokes and topstitch.

Stitch the sleeves and side seam in one continous motion.

Hem the short sleeves.

Or attach the pointed flounces for the long-sleeve version.

Gather the middle flounce layer at the upper raw edge slightly, ease to fit and stitch to the bodice. The side seams of the bodice and flounce should align.

Press the seam allowance upwards and topstitch.



Close the side seams of the underskirt flounce. Gather the flounce, pin it under the pointed lower flounce and secure it with a few stitches on the seam allowance. Observe the side seams and pin the now double flounce to the middle flounce, right sides together. Stitch, fold the seam allowance upwards and topstitch.

Hem the bottom flounce.

Your beautiful RACHEL dress is complete !