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Suggested Guidelines for Adapting Patterns for Kaye Wiggs' 28cm Millie – Tillie – Lillie

Special thanks to Nancie of Nankatts for providing us with her resizing information
and her adorable photos!

#64 Valentine

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern64.html>



Romper – Print the romper pattern pieces at 65%. Stitch all seams with a 1/8" seam allowances except the seam that joins the bodice to the romper pants. For that seam, use a 3/8" seam allowance. Nancie recommends shortening the long sleeves a bit and stitching the center back seam (joining bodice to lining) with a 3/8" seam allowance.

#58 Top This

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern58.html>

Peasant Blouse – Print the Blouse at 60%.

Vest – Print the Vest at 62%.

Peasant Skirt – Print the Yoke at 60%. Cut Tier A $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 6". Cut Tier B $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x $10\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut Tier C $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $14\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut Tier D $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $18\frac{1}{2}$ ". Hem allowance $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

#50 Kaleidoscope

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern50.html>

Print the Jumper pattern at 65%.



#42 Planet Luxe

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern42.html>

Print the T-shirt at 65%.

Print the Shoe pattern at 70%.



#53 Perfect 10

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern53.html>

Select the Little Fee size Panties.

Select the Little Fee size Pinafore, Overalls, Bodice and Sleeve patterns. Tweek slightly for a perfect fit.

The Hat may need slight adjustment depending on the fullness of the wig.

#45 Seasons for MSD

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern45.html>

Print the Planet Doll size pattern pieces at 65%.



Skirts – Most gathered skirts:
Cut 3” x 16”





Dress Bodices and Sleeves and Jumper Bodice:

Select the Little Fee size bodices and sleeves from #53 Perfect 10.



To make these pantalettes, follow instructions for the #58 Peasant Skirt Yoke. Add the “pants” part of the #53 Overalls.

Another Tip From Nancie: Thread a piece of elastic through a skirt or pant waistband to provide a snug fit for Millie and other dolls with small waistlines.

More ideas

1. You can begin with any patterns that were drafted on dolls with immature torsos and similar proportions. Each of the Models’ Measurements for the patterns are posted on the Sizing Index:

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/sizing.html>

Follow Joni’s Resizing Guidelines (attached on the last page of this file) to determine the % reduction for Millie.

2. One of the *gracefaerie* Sister Dresses is sized for Kaye Wiggs’ Cinnamon, who is slightly smaller than Millie. To make this dress for Millie, make a trial run of the bodice, adjust, and follow the directions for the rest of the dress.

Nancie has an array of outfits, in many sizes, available on her etsy site:

<http://www.nankatts.etsy.com>

She is also available for commissioned work. Please contact her at:

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Sister Dress for Cinnamon, by *gracefaerie*

Adapting #43 Bewitched, Tattered, and Transported

<http://www.gracefaerie.com/patterns/pattern43.html>

Cutting out the Dress:

1. Select the Waif Dress Bodice Front and Waif Dress Bodice Back from the #43 pattern.
2. Add ¼” along the center back edge of the Bodice Back.
3. Add 3/8” along the lower edge of the Bodice Front and the Bodice Back.

4. Cut out the Bodice pieces from your dress fabric. Cut out the Bodice Lining from white cotton batiste.

5. Skirt Cutting Guide (calf-length dress):

The shorter dimension runs parallel to the grain (selvage edge) of the fabric.

Top Skirt (shown in pink): Cut one piece 3 ¼” x 16”

Top Skirt Ruffle (shown in pink): Cut one piece 1 5/8” x 26”

Underskirt: Cut one piece from white cotton batiste 2 3/4” x 16”

Underskirt Ruffle (shown in white eyelet): Cut one piece 2 ¼” x 32”



Making the Dress:

Follow the Instructions for making the #43 Waif Dress Bodice and Lining. Add the Top Skirt Ruffle to the Top Skirt, following the Seasons Autumn Dress Instructions. Add the Underskirt Ruffle to the Underskirt. Finish assembling the Skirt following the Seasons Autumn Dress Instructions. Join the Skirt to the Bodice, and finish the Bodice Lining following the #43 Instructions.

Kaye Wiggs' Millie – Tillie – Lillie Measurements:

Height: 28cm

Chest: 12cm

Waist: 10.5cm

Hips: 13cm

Joni's Resizing Guidelines

Note from gracefaerie:

Joni receives many emails from customers who wish to use a *gracefaerie* pattern for a doll other than the fitting model for that pattern. In response to these requests, Joni has devised a very easy-to-follow method of resizing patterns. This method works best when your doll and the fitting model for the pattern are similar in maturity and proportion. For instance, we would not recommend resizing a pattern that was drafted on a mature doll for an immature doll. If the bodice has bust line darts, resizing it for a little girl would not work very well. When you are resizing a pattern, we highly recommend doing a test-run with scrap fabric to refine your resized pattern pieces.

Happy sewing!

Joni's resizing method:

Begin by measuring the doll for whom you wish to resize the pattern: height, chest/bust, waist, and hips. Take the measurements of your doll and divide by the measurements of the fitting model. Let's say you have a Pukifee and you wish to use a pattern that is drafted on a LittleFee. Pukifees are 15.5cm tall and LittleFees are 25cm tall. So 15.5 divided by 25 is about 62. For the height (length of dresses and pants), the pattern would be copied at 62%. Now things get a bit more interesting, as your doll and the fitting model may not be proportioned in the same way. For the chest, the pattern is printed at 69%, the waist at 72%, and the hips at 65%. What I do in this case is take an average, then tweek the seam allowances to refine the fit. If you are just making a shirt, use the chest measurement, so you would print at 69%, or for shorts print at 65%. For bodice pieces, use the bust measurement.

I hope this helps if you wish to resize a pattern!



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