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Albina Bailey : Dressing Dolls in Nineteenth Century Fashions before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Dressing Dolls in Nineteenth Century Fashions:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Not Really For DollsBy OriannaI found precious little in this book that actually applies to making Victorian-style doll clothes. Essentially, it's a description of period fashions lifted from ladies' magazines of the 1850s-1880s, such as Godey's and Peterson's. There are quite a few black and white fashion plates, several rough sketches of embroidery designs, some patterns that you can trace, and page after page of copied text that describes 19th century garments, including popular colors, fabric choices, and accessories. There is a glossary in the back that defines some of the unusual terms, which is helpful. And I really appreciated that the author included a few patterns and descriptions of undergarments, such as chemises, drawers, crinolines, and bustles. However, the pattern directions are extremely brief and vague, the patterns themselves are crudely drawn, and the measurements provided are for full-size garments. You need to be an experienced dressmaker to size the patterns to fit your doll and assemble them into something elegant. If you enjoy reading period descriptions of fashion, you might like this book. It would probably be more helpful for the historic costumer than the doll costumer, though. There are a few scattered "author's notes" that give advice for turning the patterns into doll garments, but in general, there's very little about this book that's specific to doll costuming. I'll give it three stars, because the excerpts from period fashion magazines are useful, but I wouldn't recommend it unless you've exhausted all other sources. Instead, try "Sewing Victorian Doll Clothes" by Michelle Hamilton, and "Victorian Fashions and Costumes From Harper's Bazar, 1867-1898" by Stella

Blum.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Sewing for dolls.By Kathryn UngerGreat book for giving information on 1800 fashions for dolls, a good reference book.11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Fills a needed nicheBy A CustomerAt first i didn't like this book because the patterns aren't full size, there was a lot of extra descriptions from old catalogs, but later i realized this book may be the only one of it's kind (written for dolls) with the pattern pieces as they really cut them during that period.It was really interesting to read about the fashions of the time. One of the assets of this book is the many embroidery patterns.There is a lot of information on fabrics, even how to store clean them. The author has even placed a glossary at the back so we can translate the old names for certain fabrics to the closest thing we have for it today. This book is a wonderful tool.

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