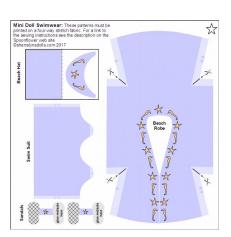
How to Sew Your Mini Doll Swimwear





These instructions tell you how to sew up swimwear for a mini doll using the Mini Doll Swimwear swatch from the sherralynsdolls shop on Spoonflower www.spoonflower.com/profiles/sherralynsdolls. The swimwear fits Sherralynsdolls Twinkle, American Girl® Mini, Our Generation® mini, and other mini dolls.

To sew up your project you will also need some basic sewing supplies: scissors, a needle, thread, and some glue. For scissors you will want some sewing scissors that cut fabric well.

Scissors that are intended for cutting only paper may not work very well. You will also need an index card to make the linings. For glue I used Elmer's® X-treme for attaching the lining for both the sandals and beach hat but other glues may work as well. If you decide to outline the soles of the sandals and the bill of the beach hat, I have used both tacky glue and sometimes craft paint for more color.

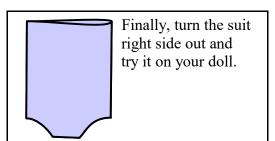


And don't forget your mini doll! You will need her to try on your creations and to model them when your done.

Cutting and Sewing the Swim Suit



First cut out the swim suit pattern from the swatch. Be sure to keep the light colored seam allowance areas as well.

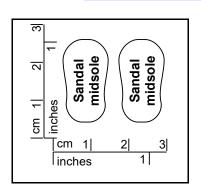


Next fold the swim suit in half with the printed sides of the fabric touching. Match the notches.

Third, thread your needle and sew the sides and crotch of the two halves of the suit together. Match the notches and sew along the seam allowances.

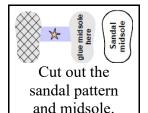


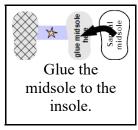
Making the Sandals

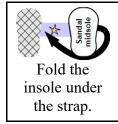


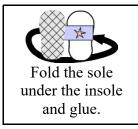
To make the sandals you will need two sandal midsoles. Print or trace a full sized copy of these sandal midsoles then glue it onto a piece of card stock. An index card works well. Allow the glue to dry





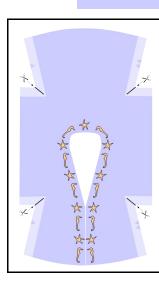




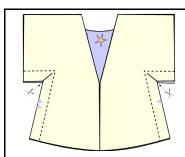




Cutting and Sewing the Beach Robe

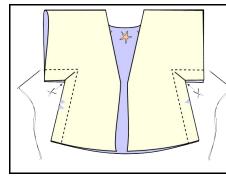


First cut out the beach robe pattern from the swatch. Be sure to keep the light colored seam allowance areas as well.



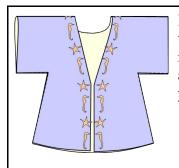
Next, fold the beach robe in half with the printed sides of the fabric touching.

Match the notches.



Third, sew the sleeve and side seams.

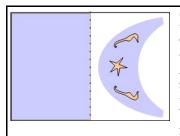
Clip the fabric where the sleeve and side seams meet. Be careful not to cut your stitches.



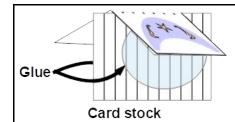
Finally, turn the beach robe right side out and try it on your doll.



Cutting and Sewing the Beach Hat

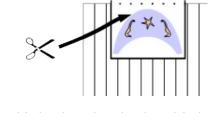


First, from the swatch, cut out the rectangle that includes the two parts of the beach hat. Keep the two parts together on the rectangle

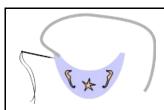


Next, fold the rectangle from the swatch in half along the dotted line. Fold the unprinted sides of the

fabric against a piece of card stock. An index card works well. Glue the folded fabric to both sides of the card.



Third, when the glue has dried, cut around the cap visor.

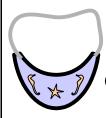


Step four, sew elastic to one side of the cap visor.





Fifth, fit the visor around your doll's head and sew the elastic to the other side of the visor.



Finally, outline the visor with craft paint or tacky glue. (Option)