

Gingham & Lace Fashion Doll Dress Sewing Tutorial

1. Attach the skirt to the bodice.

Place the skirt and bodice with the right sides of the fabric facing each other. Line up the waist edges, pin or clip them in place, then stitch across the waist to join the two pieces together.

2. Hem the bottom of the skirt.

Fold the bottom edge of the skirt towards the wrong side of the fabric to create a neat hem. Press or pin it in place, then stitch around the folded edge.

3. Hem the top of the bodice and add the trim.

Fold the top edge of the bodice towards the wrong side to create a neat hem. Position the trim along the top edge and stitch it in place while sewing the hem. If your trim is too delicate, bulky, or unsuitable for machine stitching, hem the bodice first and then carefully hand-stitch the trim in place. *** You can also opt to hem the bodice and then stitch on the trim after hemming.

4. Add the Velcro closure.

Position one piece of Velcro along each side of the back opening. Begin at the top of the bodice and extend the Velcro slightly below the waistline onto the top of the skirt. Stitch securely around the edges of each piece. ***Always fit the project onto your doll before permanently attaching the Velcro. Fold and pin the fabric at both sides of the back opening until you achieve the fit you want, then stitch the Velcro securely in place.

5. Close the back of the skirt.

With the right sides of the skirt facing each other, line up the two back edges below the Velcro opening. Stitch them together from just below the Velcro down to the bottom of the skirt to close the back of the dress.

