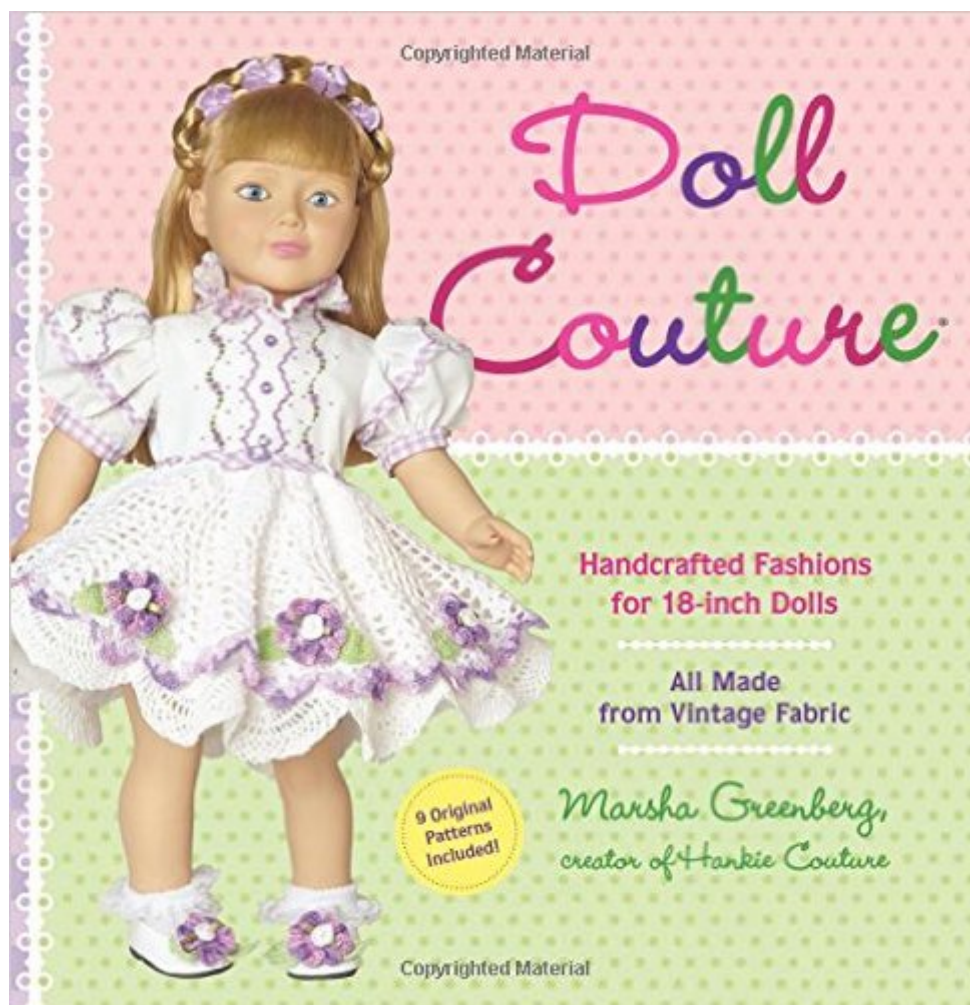


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Doll Couture: Handcrafted Fashions For 18-inch Dolls



Synopsis

Hankie Couture creator Marsha Greenberg shares her extraordinary gift for transforming vintage fabric into one-of-a-kind doll fashions. Now you can make them too! Doll Couture is an exquisite collection of fashions for 18-inch dolls; everything from dresses to pants, jumpers, blouses, and shoes; meticulously crafted from vintage handkerchiefs, table cloths, tea towels, laces, linens, pillowcases, table runners, and much more. Doll Couture showcases more than 100 of Marsha's unique fashions and accessories. It's more than a beautiful photo album though; the book includes 10 original patterns and sewing instructions so you can get started turning fabrics you already own into new and beautiful creations. Presented in stylish, sophisticated photographs modeled by a doll of Marsha's own design, and accented by sensibility quotes that highlight the designer's philosophy and aesthetics, Doll Couture sets the stage for a fabulous world of doll fashion. It's time to get started transforming your own treasured heirlooms or colorful flea-market finds into unique fashion ensembles!

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Customer Reviews

I have collected vintage fabric items over the years and always wondered what to do with some of them. I love to make clothes for 18 inch dolls and this seemed like the book for me, and it is. The photos are wonderful and the directions are easy to follow. There are so many cute ideas in this book it is hard to pick one to work on first. If you have vintage items that are damaged and you were thinking of getting rid of them look at this book first. You can take those items, cut out the damaged

parts and create a new item that you can display on a doll, or give to a little girl to enjoy. I recommend this book to doll lovers, home sewers, and any one who enjoys just looking at a great book. I think granddaughters would just love looking at the pictures. Don't know why but I especially like the outfit on page 66.

Who would even imagine there could be a more beautiful book than the first edition of Hankie Couture. I am so impressed with edition two that I'm hoping there will be an edition three. The detail work and photos are exquisite. It's hard to put the book down. As a young girl Marsha showed an interest in sewing. How wonderful it is that through the years with her passion, imagination and talent that she has been able to produce this wonderful book. The beautiful clothing made from hankies is just so unreal to me. Marsha's detail work is one of a kind. Thank you Marsha for sharing this wonderful book with all of us. What perfect timing for this book it is my number one choice for holiday gift for this year... .

I have already made 4 outfits with vintage hankies, a tablecloth, napkins and tea towels. I highly recommend this book. It even comes with patterns which I was not expecting, so that was a pleasant surprise.

It's hard to believe that Marsha Greenberg's "Hankie Couture" could get even better!!! I am totally in love with this book!!! Every page is its own beautiful world, breathtaking, and an absolute pleasure to read! Thank you for sharing your brilliant talent with us!

Author, designer, and fabric lover, Marsha Greenberg, spends her days in a sewing room full of embroidered flowers, lacy ruffles, vintage linens, bright and patterned fabrics, miniature trims and tiny stitches. Every day she wakes with enthusiasm to create new doll dresses. Her created world for Hankie Couture "ladies" is full of kindness, respect, joy, determination! She has shared her daily "heaven on earth" by sewing and selling Hankie Couture dresses for her self-designed 11.5" Hankie Couture dolls. Now she extends her vision and creative talent for the 18" doll lovers. Marsha doesn't see a hankie...she sees a collar. Designer Marsha doesn't see a crocheted doily...she sees a skirt. Mrs. Greenberg doesn't see a pile of vintage linens...she sees a closet filled with a Doll Couture wardrobe. "Details, Details, Details!"...words from one of her positive quotes about her "girls." And! Details is what she shows the reader...both visually in the wonderful photos of her outfit designs...and with suggestions and patterns to bring out your own inner-designer to sew up a Doll

Couture wardrobe for the 18" lady in your home. You don't have to hunt down vintage fabrics to make one of the patterns...go to the fabric store...embroider your own flowers...cut up and up-cycle an old outfit...raid Grandma's linen closet...think out of the box! You can be the couture designer for the 18" doll in your life. Mrs. Greenberg's positive light shines through in the quotes she penned for both her Hankie Couture book and now this Doll Couture release. Bullying and mean spirits do not have to gain the spotlight in our schools and homes. Teach your young lady to be kind, fun, fruitful, helpful, THANKFUL. Marsha's Doll Couture ladies are role models to showcase the way her Hankie Couture world thinks and acts. Hankie Couture and Doll Couture highlight not only doll fashion, but traits for a kinder, positively-driven and happy lifestyle. Oh, to be the 18" Doll Couture...well-dressed AND well-mannered. Reading through the book with the little girl in your home will showcase traits that can lead to being a good friend and well-respected, blooming adult! Doll Couture is as colorful, creative, and beautiful as her first book, Hankie Couture. If you love fabric, dolls and a smiley page-turner, add Doll Couture to the bookcase in your sewing room! Thanks, Marsha, for delighting our dolls and their older, less couture moms!! Favorite quote from this book: "What a delicious day! I could eat it with a spoon!"

This book is absolutely excellent and follows the format of the first book! There are patterns in the back of the book so there is no guessing on sizing as I have seen in other doll pattern books! The sewing instructions are again clear and easy to read!! I am just as thrilled with this book as I am with the first book, Hankie Couture. The dolls that were designed for Marsha's creations are absolutely gorgeous as well! Overall, I am totally excited and am thinking of venturing into sewing as a result of Marsha's creations and books!!

The photographs are excellent. The directions are clear and straightforward. The print edition contains a set of full-size patterns, so you can make all of the outfits. Although the kindle version does not include the full-size patterns, it does include representations of the pattern pieces that could likely be copied in some way.

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