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# Sewing Dolls



## Synopsis

Adults and children alike will love making and playing with these dolls, which are all made from natural materials. Patterns are provided for a range of dolls: small dolls for the littlest child, baby dolls, larger dolls to dress up, knitted dolls and dolls with moveable arms and legs. With different hairstyles and clothing options, the dolls can be varied endlessly. The book contains all the necessary patterns and detailed instructions, and is richly illustrated with color photographs and drawings.

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## Customer Reviews

I have been making dolls for a number of years and always in search of different patterns. When I received this book, I was quite disappointed. The patterns are not the greatest. Two interesting points however that made me keep the book. STUFFING: Her stuffing technique is different than traditional in that she used the felting needle to "sculpt" body parts. It is a good idea, especially for the limbs that can be stuff very smoothly. HAIR: The most interesting part was the 2 different methods she uses for short boys hair. Rather than using the traditional cap wig or "rug hooking technique" featured in Maricristin Sealey book (which only work with thin yarns), the author introduces two methods that - I think - would work with thick / handspun yarn.

I have been sewing for over 20 years. Mostly quilts and clothing. This was my first go at sewing a waldorf doll. I am sadly disappointed in the book. I attempted to make "Emma" in the book. First of

all, the pattern is too small. I made the head to perfect specs as require in the pattern and I could not get the head into the knit head sleeve. The arms too, were scrawny and not as pictured. Also, her description on how to sew the body together is severely lacking. I sew, so it was fine for me to figure out, but a novice will be in tears trying to figure it out. You'd be better off making your own doll pattern. Find a cheap doll the size you like and take it apart. You can find great free directions for the head all over the internet, also hair instructions are better on the net than what is in this book.

I loved the book and all of the different Waldorf styles and levels of difficulty depicted. I am a long time cloth dollmaker and designer and have made many Waldorf type dolls "by the seat of my pants" so to speak, simply by looking at pictures. It was fun to see how close I was. I plan to make one of the full sized dolls from the book for a Grand daughter for Christmas this year. Sincerely, Judi Ward

Nice, easy to follow patterns.

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