



LACE

Piece Cutting

*Incredibly intricate *outfits* can be achieved simply by cutting out patterns in lace pieces.*

Have you ever wondered, how those intricate lacy designs are achieved by top miniature artists? Would you believe, a novice can achieve the same results with the right lace?

Lace has long been used to decorate miniature doll clothing. By cutting (pieces) out of the design, you can simulate a cuff, collar, stomacher, embroidered design or sleeves. The trick is being able to *SEE* the design, and using all the different lines, both straight and curvy into tricking the brain it is seeing a fully formed outfit.

My sample above left is Theesaly, our February free wiggling tutorial. I received as many nice comments about the *jacket* as I did the intricate hair! People wanted to buy the pattern. When in fact, it is simply a piece of lace glued to front, back and arms. Next I cut out a rectangle of faux suede to resemble a corsette and then cut the straight (heavy) edges of lace and glued around cuffs, neck, across shoulders and around the corset. Yes - that is it <G>! How simple, and what a beautiful *beaded* effect! AND done in less than an hour. HAIR was two days - but jacket an hour <G>.

Now on the next page, you can see several *in step* photos to help simplify the directions written.

****HINTS**** ... buy FINE Heirloom Cotton Lace. This won't fray or shred as bad, and glues easily!

The lace shown, was purchased in New Mexico on one of my teaching trips and about \$20 a yard. BUT you could easily find white lace and dye the color in.

The important thing is to learn to *SEE* shapes in the lace, and what they

ON PHOTO

Cut piece of lace to fit on front of torso, ending at a natural side seam, waist and glue on.



ON PHOTO

*Cut out straight main line, and glue around neck for collar.
Cut out rectangle of suede material and glue on for corsette.*



ON PHOTO

*Cut out more straight heavy lines, and glue on front raw edge of corsette, and across shoulders.
Lastly, wrap lace (and glue) on arms for sleeves.*



could be applied to on a doll to simulate clothing



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