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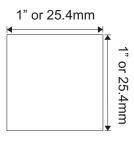
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# **VDC Club Grace Collaboration**

Celtic Charm

# For 16.5" RTB101 Body Dolls

## **Basic Instructions**

You will get the most professional results by following a few recommendations.

- Use a 1/4" seam allowance unless noted otherwise on the pattern piece or instructions. This seam allowance is already included in the dimensions of the pattern.
- Press the garment as you work through each step. Press seams open where applicable.
- In un-lined garments, finish raw edges with an over-lock or zigzag stitch.
- Tape pieces together as indicated on the pattern before cutting.

Note that RST = Right Sides Together and WST = Wrong Sides Together.

# **Fabric and Notions**

Outfit: cotton, calicos, cotton blend – ½ yard for the dress, ½ yard for the over dress

**Lining:** Polyester, silk essence

**Notions:** 4/0 snap sets, matching thread, double sided hem tape, narrow embroidered trim, narrow elastic, ten

1/8" eyelets, ten 1/8" eyelet washers, fray check, eyelet setting tools.

#### **Off-The-Shoulder Dress:**

- 1. With right sides together, sew the dress side front sections to the dress front section. Press the seams open.
- 2. RST, sew the dress side back sections to the dress back sections. Press the seams open.
- 3. RST, matching notches, pin the upper sleeves to the front of the dress. Sew in place.
- 4. RST, pin the back of the sleeve to the dress back and sew in place.
- 5. Hem the outer edge of each sleeve flounce, using a narrow hem.
- 6. Run a gathering stitch on the inner curved edge of each flounce.
- 7. Pull the gathering stitch gently and pin to the upper sleeve edge with right sides together. Sew in place.
- 8. Press the seam allowance up.
- 9. Finish the lower raw edge of the dress facing with a zigzag or overlock stitch.
- 10. RST, pin the dress facing to the neckline.
- 11. With the facing side up, sew across the neckline.
- 12. Clip and trim the seam allowance and press the facing to the inside.
- 13. Topstitch across the neck edge to form the casing for the elastic.
- 14. Run the elastic through the casing, fit to the doll, secure the elastic at each end.
- 15. RST, sew the dress back to the dress front at the side seams. Press the seams open.
- 16. Hem the dress.
- 17. Sew the center back seam of the dress from the hem edge to the dot as indicated on the pattern.
- 18. Press the seam allowance to the left.
- 19. Fit the dress to the doll and mark the placement for the snaps.
- 20. Sew the snaps in place.

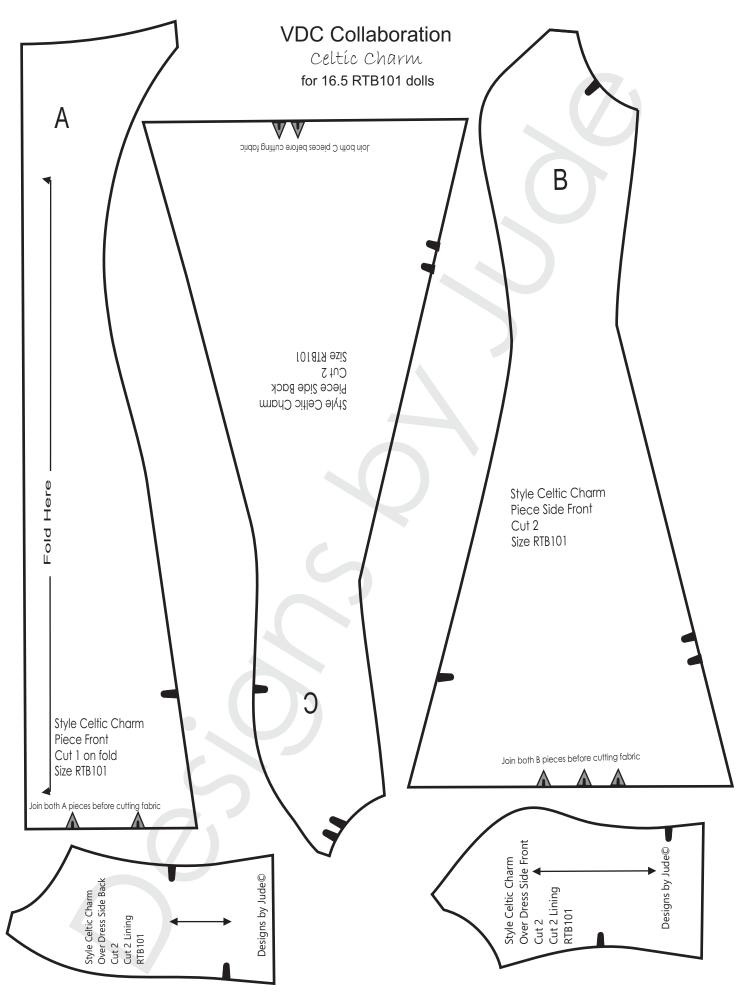
## **Lace-Up Over Dress:**

- 1. Right sides together, sew the over dress side front sections to the front sections. Press the seams open.
- 2. RST, sew the over dress side back sections to the over dress back section. Press the seams open.
- 3. Sew the front sections to the back section at each shoulder. Press the seams open.
- 4. Repeat the above three steps with the lining pieces.
- 5. Apply trim to each side of the front if desired. (note: trim should be in 1" from the front raw edge).
- 6. RST, pin the lining to the over dress bodice and sew around both armholes and around the neck edge.
- 7. Clip and trim the seam allowance and turn the over dress bodice right side out by passing each front section to the back through the shoulder cannel.
- 8. Press the bodice.
- 9. Open up the sides, pin the bodice to the bodice and lining to the lining and sew the side seams.
- 10. Turn up the hem edge of the lining 1/4" and press.
- 11. Turn the front edge of the over dress in 1/2" on each side (this is where the eyelets will be set).
- 12. Check the fit to the doll with the off-the-shoulder dress on.
- 13. RST, sew the skirt front sections to the skirt back at the side seams. Press the seams open.

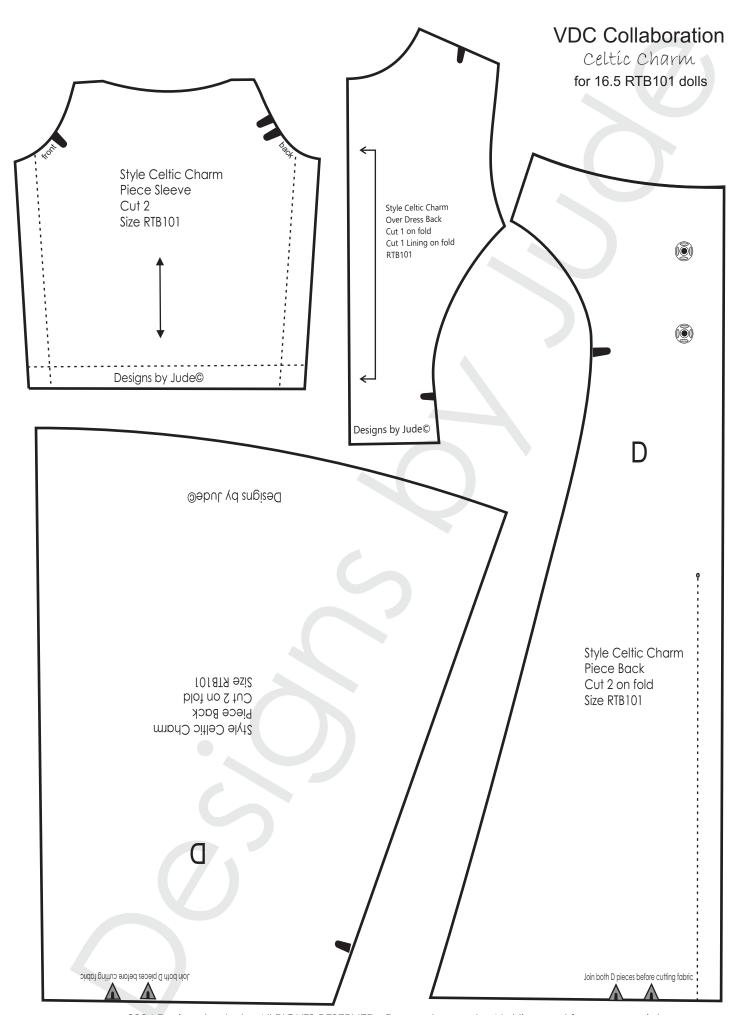
- 14. RST, sew the skirt lining front sections to the skirt lining back at the side seams. Press the seams open.
- 15. RST, pin the skirt lining to the skirt and sew along the hem and up both sides, leaving the waist edge unsewn.
- 16. Clip and trim the seam allowance. Turn the skirt assembly right side out and press.
- 17. Apply trim to the front sections. (place trim to match the bodice trim).
- 18. Run two rows of gathering across the top edge of the skirt assembly.
- 19. Gently pull the gathers to fit the over dress bodice matching the side seams, pin in place and then sew.
- 20. Press the seam allowance up and trim it near the front opening to reduce bulk.
- 21. Place a piece of double-sided hem tape between the layers in the left and right front opening. Iron it in place.
- 22. Hand finish the bodice lining to the waist seam.
- 23. Mark placement for the eyelets.
- 24. Punch the holes for each eyelet.
- 25. Apply fray check around the raw edge of each hole and let dry.
- 26. Press the right side of each eyelet through the hole from the right side of the bodice. Place an eyelet washer on the eyelet post and secure with a crop-a-dile or optional setting method. Repeat with all the eyelets.
- 27. Run a satin ribbon or thin cording through the eyelets and lace up.

\*There is a sewing tutorial for this pattern on our Designs by Jude YouTube channel. \*

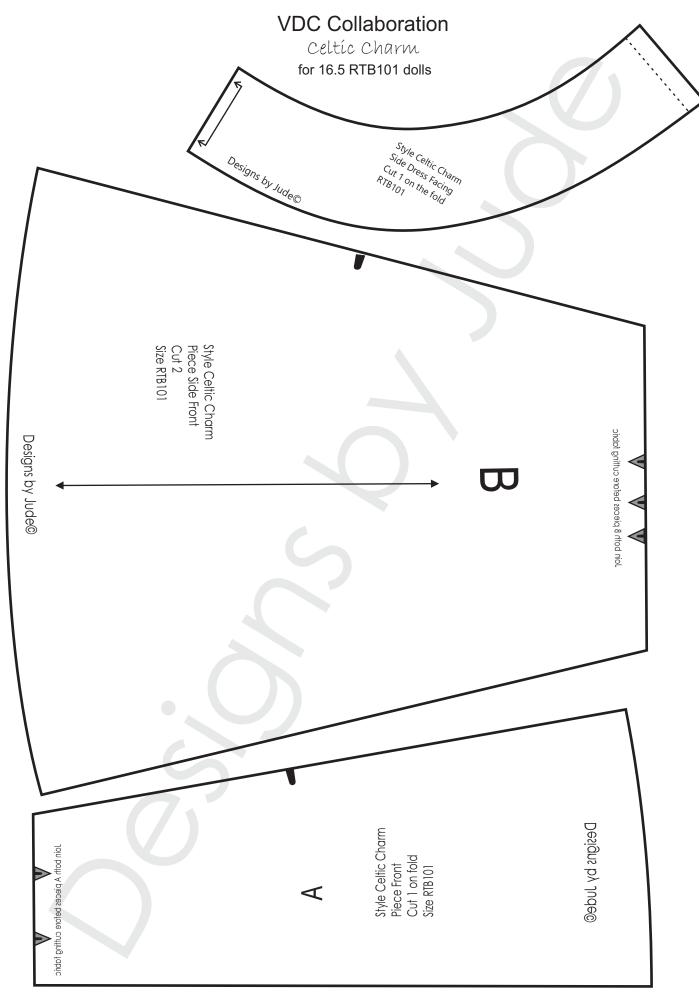
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