Heirloom Christening Gowns II

— Embroidered Yoke with a Fancy Skirt —



SUGGESTED FABRICS

100% cotton Swiss batiste, pima batiste, lawn, and 65% polyester, 35% cotton batiste, such as Imperial batiste

SUGGESTED LACES AND TRIMS

Fine cotton laces that are 90% cotton and 10% nylon, fine laces that are 100% cotton, handmade tatting, and 100% cotton Swiss eyelets and embroidered insertions

Yardages

The measurements below are *liberal estimates*. Exact measurement of pattern pieces may result in the purchase of *less* yardage. Because each seamstress will vary in the selection of trims, measurements are given by each individual section.

45" fabric, yardage for 36" gown:

Christening gown with short puff sleeve: 2 1/8 yd. Christening gown with long puff sleeve: 2 1/4 yd.

Add 6" for 36" gown. Add 12" for 42" gown.

Notions:

For back closing — 2 or 3 1/4" buttons

Neckline trims:

Entredeux — 15" Gathered 5/8" lace edging — 24" Flat trim — 15"

Trim across front yoke, entredeux or Swiss eyelet insertion: 10" Trim across back yoke, entredeux or Swiss eyelet insertion: 10"

Sleeve trims:

Entredeux — 2/3 yd. 5/8" lace edging, to be gathered — 1 1/8 yd. Flat trim — 2/3 yd.

Lace band and hemline trims:

Entredeux — 2 1/4 yd. per row Gathered lace edging — 4 — 4 1/2 yd. Flat trim — 2 1/4 yd. per row

Heirloom Christening Gowns II is a yoke pattern that features a plain yoke which may be embroidered or monogrammed. Horizontal insertion may be used across the yoke front and yoke back. A long puff sleeve and a short puff sleeve have been included. The instructions and design features of this variation may be used with the wide variety of laces and trims available today to create an original design. Design work starts from the hemline and continues up the skirt, allowing you to add tucks or lace bands and insertion or simplify the design as you go. The Christening gown can be as unique as the laces and trims selected. It is an easy-to-sew design and is ideal for beginners or the more advanced seamstress who wants to add more detail. Includes sizes newborn, small, medium, and large.



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