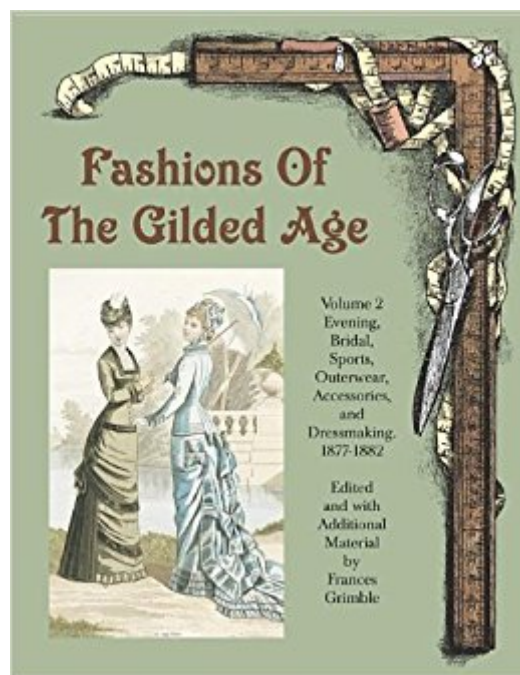




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Fashions Of The Gilded Age, Volume 2: Evening, Bridal, Sports, Outerwear, Accessories, And Dressmaking 1877-1882



Synopsis

Contains 184 authentic sewing patterns and instructions for women's garments. Includes special rulers that enable drafting to custom sizes. Quotes from original fashion magazines and other sources give additional information on construction, materials, and wardrobe planning. Also included is an 87-page, illustrated manual on period dressmaking and millinery. For theatrical and reenactment costumers, vintage clothing collectors, brides, and doll artists.

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Customer Reviews

This book is a great source of historic patterns. However, I purchased Volume 2 first because I was looking for evening gown designs, but then realized that Volume 1 actually has more dress patterns, and some of the basics needed to go with the patterns in Volume 2. So now I own both volumes! Someone may have mentioned that in an earlier review but I must of missed it. It is ok because both volumes are fun to look through and read the fashion descriptions from the 1800s. Have not made a dress from it yet, but am reading and planning for my first one. Will see how it goes!

This book (series, really) is awesome! I am intermediate in my sewing abilities, and found it very easy to decipher and use. I am making a wedding dress from a mix of patterns found in these books. Very period-accurate, nice fashion plates, well written, clearly explained. You could not ask for more. I recommend that you make your first attempt or few from cheap/recycled material, until you are comfortable with how pieces of this time are made, as it is far more complicated than most

of today's simplified and streamlined patterns. Be prepared to put in some hours on a good piece. If you are just want to educate yourself on fashion's of the Victorian era, this is a great series for you!

This entire series from Frances Grimbale is the most astounding amount of compiled research we've ever seen! A valuable resource for costumers, re-enactors, history aficionados, or anyone wanting a comprehensive look at these fashions and the culture surrounding them. I purchased the entire set for my wife (costumer, historian...) and we were completely impressed with both the quality of the content as well as the layout and organization of the series. Absolutely recommended...worth every penny!

I love sewing. . .but I am not good at taking measurements. This books has the patterns included, but you have to enlarge them and set them to your specifications. It gives you all the instruction that you need to do so, but it can be very dense. I will eventually master the art of pattern making/fitting, but for now it is a wonderful and inspiring reference piece.

frances grimbale is an author who needs to be in every victorian costuming enthusiast's personal library. get every volume you can! wonderful!

Marvelous reference book for steampunks. I have had volume one for years - the index is in this book, volume two! Be warned!

Frances Grimbale shares her meticulous vision with us once again. A great two book series full of facinating information and patterns galore. I cannot wait to clothe many a pretty lady using them. Not for the faint of heart. The patterns are period correct and I would advise an advanced skill level, or a great deal of patience. Always do a mock up. Remember these are patterns of the age. So start at the skin and work your way out to a glorious new costume. Enjoy.

Frances Grimbale's books are fabulous! These volumes are also very large, tons of patterns! I love the dress of this period. The drawings are detailed and so pretty.

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