

Joni's Resizing Guidelines

Note from gracefaerie:

Joni receives many emails from customers who wish to use a *gracefaerie* pattern for a doll other than the fitting model for that pattern. In response to these requests, Joni has devised a very easy-to-follow method of resizing patterns. This method works best when your doll and the fitting model for the pattern are similar in maturity and proportion. For instance, we would not recommend resizing a pattern that was drafted on a mature doll for an immature doll. If the bodice has bust line darts, resizing it for a little girl would not work very well. When you are resizing a pattern, we highly recommend doing a test-run with scrap fabric to refine your resized pattern pieces.

Happy sewing!

Joni's resizing method:

Begin by measuring the doll for whom you wish to resize the pattern: height, chest/bust, waist, and hips. Take the measurements of your doll and divide by the measurements of the fitting model. Let's say you have a Pukifee and you wish to use a pattern that is drafted on a LittleFee. Pukifees are 15.5cm tall and LittleFees are 25cm tall. So 15.5 divided by 25 is about 62. For the height (length of dresses and pants), the pattern would be copied at 62%. Now things get a bit more interesting, as your doll and the fitting model may not be proportioned in the same way. For the chest, the pattern is printed at 69%, the waist at 72%, and the hips at 65%. What I do in this case is take an average, then tweek the seam allowances to refine the fit. If you are just making a shirt, use the chest measurement, so you would print at 69%, or for shorts print at 65%. For bodice pieces, use the bust measurement.

I hope this helps if you wish to resize a pattern!



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