




## ResinRapture ~ Sewing for dolls

This is a tutorial how to sew pants using my patterns. These patterns are free, but for personal use only. Waistbands are not included in the patterns, seam allowance is included. You might want to test the pattern with your machine and write down the measurements for your waistband, the length depends on whether you want to close them with a button or use an elastic. The patterns are for pre-washed fabric.

### Frequently used stitches

	<p>With most machines this is stitch A. I usually choose a stitch length between 2 and 3, if the stitches are too small and the fabric too thin the machine might eat the fabric.</p>
	<p>This can be used for seams, as well as zig zag + plain stitch A, but I prefer the last one.</p>
	<p>This is what I use for all the seams, usually with the smallest length. The pants patterns I made have a seam allowance of approximately 5mm included, if you need more you might want to add a couple of mm more.</p>



Cut out pieces as needed. Keep left overs for belt loops and back pockets.

Sew the front pocket facing to the leg fronts (right sides together) and fold them over.



Add top stitch.

Pin front pocket to pocket facing. You might want to print a second leg pattern without the pocket cut out to use it as an adjustment help for the pocket.

If you turn the leg over the pocket facing edge should be lined up with the pocket, sew pocket to pocket facing. Make sure you don't sew them to the pant leg.



Back legs

Fold top of the back leg over, stitch as close to the fold as possible. Fold back up and topstitch along the fold on the right side.

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Sew front legs together, use seam stitch on the left side and plain stitch on the front.

With men's jeans make sure you follow the curves, otherwise the jeans will be rather tight in the front. You might want to add some sort of padding later or pad undies for a more natural look.

Add a top stitch to indicate a fly- I use to do that by hand.



Sew front and back legs together, use seam stitch on the left side and plain stitch on the front.

Now fold back the bottom to sew leg hem.

Now it's time to measure for the waistband and decide if you want to close the pants with a button or use an elastic.

I use to make it about 7mm high for smaller dolls and for nYID, SID and EID I like 10mm in height or more. If you want to cover the seam on the inside by folding the waistband, add to the height.



I usually pin the belt loops where I want them and use the waistband seam to stitch them down. I use to fold the waistband, add a top stitch at the folds and hand-sew it to the inside with a blind stitch.

Now sew the inner leg seams, no top stitch required.

Close the back up to the end of the curve. This is the part where I change to sewing by hand. At this point it's important to try how high you can close the back seam and still get the pants over the doll's bum.

If you want to, add some closing seam. Once you get there you'll see that the rest of the fabric is already folded back a little from the closing seam. Use a rolled invisible hem to sew the border of what will be the opening. I usually add a top stitch for the back and continue it on one part, if I use a button, the part that will be on top.

Now you just need to finish the waistband, either by folding the fabric to the inside to make neat edges (if you want to use a button one part has to be longer, of course) or a tunnel to insert the elastic. I am sure you'll find a solution that works for you.

If you want back pockets, add them after marking your favorite position while your doll is wearing the pants.

Have fun sewing!

I hope this was helpful.

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