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This is a book of colorful and imaginative children's clothes to sew, designed with kids in mind. The authors are designers and owners of two popular pattern companies for kid's clothes—Farbenmix and Studio Tantrum, known in the sewing community for their creativity, versatility, and fit. This collection of exclusive patterns, included with the book, offers step-by-step instruction for making boys' and girls' clothing with a variety of fabric styles and decorative embellishment—including embroidery, patchwork, and trims. The patterns for pants, tops, skirts, and dresses include variations for long and short hemlines and sleeves, various necklines, and adjustable lengths. The patterns are sized from 18 months to kid's size 12.

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## **From Reader Review Sewing Clothes Kids Love: Sewing Patterns and Instructions for Boys' and Girls' Outfits for online ebook**

### **Aubrey says**

I'm giving this 5 stars just because the clothes are so darn cute!! I haven't tried sewing anything from it yet...but I'm gearing up to. I love these euro inspired clothes. Can't wait to sew!!

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### **Shelley Chastagner says**

Unique and complex patterns. I was very disappointed with the pictures as almost none of them were straight on photos of what the garment looked like. If you're an accomplished sewer with a great eye you might do well with the book. I was equally unhappy to find so few patterns for boys. For me, between the inadequate photos and the over abundance of embellishments on each layer of clothing, I felt overwhelmed and under impressed.

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### **Meagan says**

Love. Made the Feliz Party dress for my daughter's "birthday dress" and won best of show in textiles at the county fair in addition to a blue ribbon in the "child's dress" category. Easy to understand and great ideas for decorating and embellishing :)

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### **Cindy says**

I really liked this book, but wish it had more ideas for clothes for boys. It's full of great techniques for combining patterns and fabrics to fun, colorful and beautiful effect. Now if there was just a book like this for adults...

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### **Lindsey says**

This is a beautiful book with beautiful pictures to make beautiful clothes. The clothes are definitely not for beginners. Very nice book! Very nice clothes! There are only two patterns in the book that work for boys or girls. The rest are girl clothes.

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### **Lisa says**

I haven't sewn anything from it (YET!!) but the photos are so colorful and eye-catching that it makes me want to order new fabric and get cracking! Very inspirational if you like lots of bright colors and patterns

together (as I do)! I want to know where they find all that delicious fabric!!

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### **Julie says**

I'll admit I bought this almost entirely to get the Feliz pattern which I'm using to make three flower girl dresses for a late summer wedding. But the actual content of the book was really helpful, too. I've been sewing for over 25 years but mostly either totally wing it or follow a pattern; this is a nice middle ground of using a pattern but actually fitting it appropriately, too. My only complaint is that in many of the (beautifully artistic and high quality) photos you can't really see the clothes well enough to get a sense of what you can do with them yourself. Like the Feliz: there are two photos and you can barely see the dress in either. Thankfully there's no shortage of photos online (just google "Feliz dress" images or look it up on flickr!). A few more photos of coats and shirts sewn for boys would have been, nice, too.

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### **Joan says**

super cute ideas!

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### **Nicole says**

I received this book from my husband as a birthday present a couple of years ago, and upon first reading through it I was disappointed in the lack of boy's clothing patterns. Fast forward to now and I have adapted some of the girl's patterns to fit my son. I am about to embark on creating the Manhattan dress for my daughter which is why I am adding it back to my currently-reading shelf.

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### **Rosemary Bagley says**

Unique patterns. Girl patterns are better than the boys.

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### **Po says**

Haven't completed any projects from this but the first part of the book provides great info on sewing for kids.

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### **Challis says**

I think this should be called Sewing Clothes You Love Your Kids To Wear. I looked through this with my girls and went ga-ga over the layers and ruffles and trims but they weren't that interested. Non plussed, I made some of the pants for them for christmas. Of course all the embellishments make a simple pattern into an ordeal, but well worth it, I think. The pants fit tighter through the hip and thigh than I was expecting. I did

use a french seam to keep the cotton from fraying all over, but I would definitely use a size up unless your daughter is a string bean. My younger is, and these fit her with a trim fit. But my eldest is normal and they were too tight. In the pictures these are baggy, so I was disappointed I will have to remake them. Anyway, very cute and simple patterns.

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### **Karen says**

The first time I looked through this, I didn't think there was really much I would use from it. Everything was so busy. It was layer upon layer of busy and bright patterned fabric on every garment. I live very simple clothes so I was disappointed. I decided to look at it a little closer to see if I could find anything I wanted to make. It turns out there is a basic pattern for all the items. I will be able to use the t-shirt, tank top, leggings and shrug. I'll just use one type of fabric on each item. This turned out to be a useful book after all.

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### **Shannon Hayes says**

I stumbled across this book a few years back at a sustainable living fair. At that point, my sewing machine, purchased during my last pregnancy, hadn't seen a bit of action since the introductory class I'd taken to learn how to thread it, and make it go forward and backward. But the color photography in the book made sewing once more enticing, and the fashions were definitely appealing to my daughters' funky sense of style. I began using the book last year, and while it took me some time to get used to the layout and organization, I'm now in love with it. The patterns that come with the book are practical, but the design elements taught can turn anything whimsical. My favorite part about the book is the authors' encouragement to mix and match fabrics, along with discussion on how to do this successfully. As a result, I've discovered that I can be far more economical with my sewing. I now make use of discarded and thrift store clothes, and I've discovered that I can take them apart and re-assemble the fabrics into something my kids love, at little to no cost. The patterns are simple, they cover every item of clothing a kid could need from pajamas and swim suits to party dresses and jackets, and they are all interchangeable. They are also designed with growing kids in mind. A pair of pants is roomy enough to become a pair of leggings as kids stretch and grow over the years. This is a truly rewarding book for the novice and intermediate sewer.

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### **MaLora Ann says**

Love this book with lots of information for beginning and intermediate sewists. Two patterns for boys, both jackets, and the rest fun bohemian girl clothes.

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