

# A Guide To Making Renaissance Clothing

All Renaissance Fair lovers know the fun and excitement of attending a Renaissance-themed fair or festival. The decadent food, the unique music, and the old traditions bring joy and gaiety to everyone who experiences them. One of the best and well-known parts of the Renaissance era, however, is the clothing.

## How to Make Original Renaissance Clothing by Hand

When you decide that you want to make your very own Renaissance clothing, the most rewarding way to do it is by hand. Below are some tips and tricks to make sure your handmade Renaissance clothes come out perfectly.

### The Best Fabric to Use



Any of the following fabrics and combinations can work for both men's and women's clothing:

- Cotton
- Silk Damask
- Silk Taffeta
- Velvet
- Wool Flannel

Appropriate colors for royalty and high nobility during the time period include:

- Black
- Pure White
- Crimson
- Purple
- Gold
- Silver
- Indigo Blue
- Violet

Peasants and lower class people, as well as servants, tended to wear:

- Gray
- Beige
- Off White

### Colors of the Renaissance



### Finding Your Perfect Pattern



When preparing to hand-sew your own Renaissance clothes, a good pattern is imperative.

Renaissance clothing is both rewarding and difficult to hand-make. If upcycling existing modern clothing from a thrift store, garage sale, or your own closet sounds easier to you, you're right. Re-using old clothes is a great way to turn unwanted clothes into unique Renaissance clothing.

### Upcycling Modern Clothes into Renaissance Clothing

