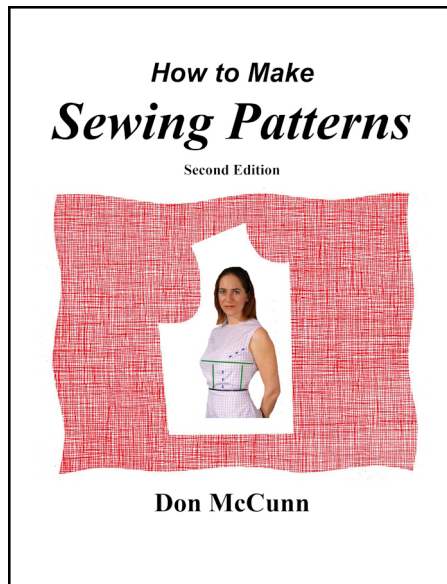


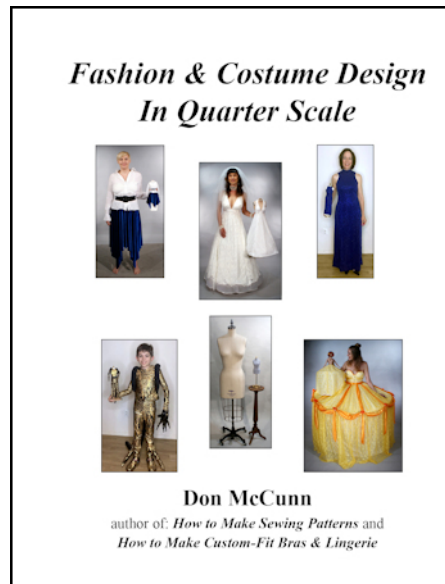
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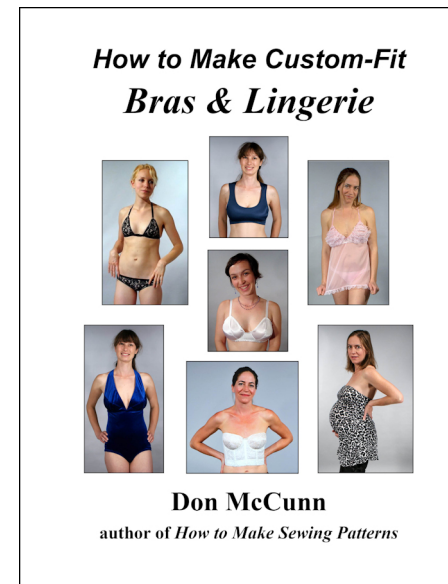
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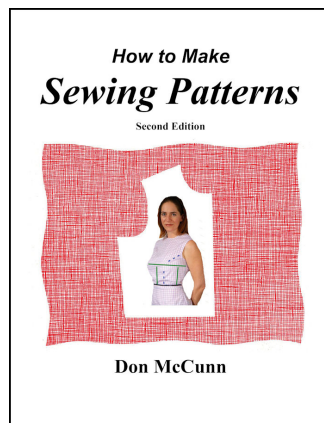


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"This edition (the first was published in 1973) continues McCunn's thorough, comprehensive approach with some updates, including an extensive series of photographs of a model taking her own measurements (an elemental step toward creating custom-fitted garments) and incorporation of the quarter-scale "mini-me" approach to practicing and prototyping new designs.

"McCunn starts from the beginning, describing in detail how to measure the body to create a sloper-an individually customized master pattern from which a variety of garments can be designed.

"The second half of the book focuses on ways to alter the completed sloper to design well-fitted custom garments for men and women. McCunn also provides information about working in quarter-scale, including directions for constructing a customized quarter-scale dress form.

"Sewists interested in exploring patternmaking will find an abundance of information and benefit from the thorough coverage of measurement and fitting techniques."

Library Journal, 6/15/2016

"Beyond the impressive range of material in *How to Make Sewing Patterns* is the author's obvious concern that readers understand what they are doing and why. There are many helpful tips throughout the book, some quite clever and unexpected.

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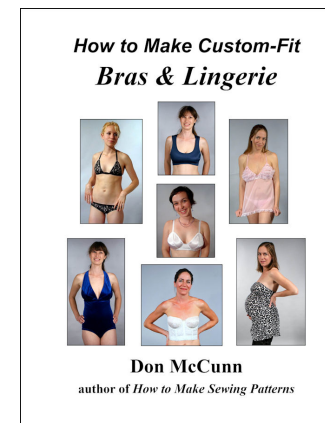


"McCunn's (*How to Make Custom-Fit Bras & Lingerie*) newest book focuses on miniaturized clothing design, a method of prototyping a garment before producing a full-size version. The author's 50 years of experience and impressive expertise and knowledge of making patterns and custom fits shine in this resource, which has a particular focus on altering patterns for a perfect fit on a variety of bodies. McCunn emphasizes the advantages of making quarter-scale patterns as prototypes, particularly that they save on fabric and take up less of a workspace than a full-size model might. For fitting miniature garments, one needs a miniature but correctly scaled mannequin or dress form, which McCunn shows how to make as well, with clear instructions, measurements, and numerous photographs. The book includes standard patterns for 18 different body sizes, as well as links to downloadable patterns in multiple formats. The book's content is extensive, although much of it can also be found on his website."

Melanie Kindrachuk
Library Journal, Jul 12, 2024

"A must have for anyone who sews, Don McCunn has developed a unique process for designing and fitting custom designs for any figure using the quarter scale Mini-Me. The book includes easy-to-read directions for making a Mini-Me that duplicates a specific individual figure, how to fit the Mini-Me and use it to develop a full-scale Master Pattern, and create unique designs that fit."

Claire Shaeffer
ASG Sewing Hall of Fame (2012)



"Veteran pattern designer and sewing instructor McCunn (*How To Make Sewing Patterns*) brings his considerable knowledge of fit and patternmaking to this guide to sewing bras and lingerie. Each section details fitting and measurement, as well as sewing instructions for both the basic design and variations. A final chapter on designing a wedding dress seems slightly out of place but highlights additional lingerie designs such as petticoats.

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Library Journal, October 1, 2017

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