



News You Can Use

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This Just In

Dress Shop 6 Released!



Dress Shop 6 has something exciting to offer to every upgrading customer. Additional measurement and fit options (and more) for DS5 QuickFit owners who upgrade to the corresponding DS6 Standard for \$50.

Additional necklines, collars, sleeves and yokes (funnel, wing, dolman, chevron, Western) and more, for DS5 Advanced owners upgrading to DS6 Deluxe for \$50.

Additional necklines, sleeves and yokes (cowl, batwing, lantern, circle, etc.) and more for DS5 Pro owners who upgrade to DS6 Pro for \$50.

We also have two new Fashion Designer packages. FD1 and FD2 are each \$49 (and owners of the original FD get FD1 FREE when they upgrade to some version of DS6 – which will activate the new

blouse/jacket hanky hem editor)



There is something for everyone. And, for those who want to purchase more than the corresponding level upgrade for \$50 (for instance DS5 QuickFit owners who might want to upgrade to DS6 Deluxe or DS6 Pro, and maybe FD1 and/or FD2), we've built introductory discounts into level upgrades and FD purchases which will apply if you purchase at the same time as your regular upgrade.

Check out the following links for more information: (internet connection required)

To see what's included, see:

www.livingsoft.com/DS6/DS6Upgrade.htm

For best pricing offers, see:

www.livingsoft.com/DS6/DS6Offers.htm

To download DS6 as an update and check it out, see:

www.livingsoft.com/DS6Download.htm

We hope you enjoy these latest offerings to enhance your experience with Dress Shop software.

New Fashion Designer Tools

Fashion Designer 1



The Fashion Designer collection of tools are for creative sewers that want to enhance their patterns with their own, personalized flair. These tools allow near free-form alteration of patterns to your own personal specification.

Fashion Designer 1 includes all the tools of the previous version of Fashion Designer plus the all new Hanky Hem Editor. Click on each tool listed to see what it can do... (internet connection required)

[Closure Editor](#)

[Custom Sleeve Designer](#)

[Custom Collar Designer Tool](#)

[Blouse / Jacket Shaper](#)

[Blouse / Jacket Hanky Hem Editor](#)

Fashion Designer 2



Fashion Designer 2 has more great tools that you can add to your Dress Shop product. Bring your creative ideas to life in your patterns with these easy to use, powerful pattern editing tools. Click on each tool listed to see more of what it can do. (internet connection required)

[Yoke Editor for blouses, dresses, jackets, and coats](#)

[Yoke Editor for Pants and Skirts](#)

[Wing Collar Editor plus 3 new wing collars](#)

What People Are Saying About Dress Shop 6

This update is just wonderful. I am truly amazed. My grand daughter wanted an old fashioned night gown with the curved yoke and once again it suddenly appeared. Are you guys bugging my house (grin)? Thank you.

-- Jacqui G.

"I love all the great additions to DS--now, if I can just be creative enough to take advantage of these wonderful features."

--Elizabeth P.

DS6 and FD2 is up and running on my PC and I have been playing and playing and playing. Just realized I forgot to check out the cowl collar so I must play some more! The hanky hems in the shaper tool are great fun for the blouses and jackets, yokes are super (I have some jeans in the makings), love the wing collars. Oh - and the funnel neck is one of my favorites. So many goodies, so much FUN. And I have a monster stash of fabric to work down. This is so exciting I may not want to leave for my upcoming vacation in Mexico!

-- June C.

The really neat thing is that I can pick any neck line...jewel, scoop, v-neck and the program adjusted the collar to fit any length....With the tools you can make it as wide or as narrow as you want. You can change the shape of the edges. I'm going to have a whole bunch of new blouses to go with my jumpers.

-- Janet B.

The new tools and Fashion Designer 2 are worth the price....and then you get some wonderful new sleeves too. There is a lot of 'bang for your buck' in this upgrade! Even after working with it for several weeks I am awed by how great it is and how much wonderful new information and instruction has been added to the program. Well.....don't just read this.....log on and buy Dress Shop 6!! You will love it!

-- Nancy N.

Okay, I bought myself the upgrade to DS6 Deluxe and FD1 as a birthday present for me this afternoon... AND... Between 5pm and 7pm I called up, printed out, taped together & cut out patterns for my almost-4-year-old son Isaac... AND, I cut out 3 pairs of pants for him from the first pattern I printed out and made them up *before* 7pm.

--Melissa R.

For more quotes, see <http://www.livingsoft.com/DS6/ThankYou.htm>

Limited Time Specials

Combination Upgrade Special

Upgrades from Dress Shop 5 to Dress Shop 6 are \$50, but if you combine that with an upgrade to a higher level of Dress Shop at the same time, you can increase your savings!

For more information, see <http://www.livingsoft.com/DS6/DS6Offers.htm>

Additional Limited Time Specials

If purchased with an upgrade, take 40% off your purchase of either or both [Fashion Designer Toolkits!](#)

For more information about this offer, see <http://www.livingsoft.com/DS6/DS6Offers.htm>.

Q&A



Q: When I draft a pattern the back bust line is always about 3 inches too low. The front bust line is in the proper placement. How do I adjust the back bust position without effecting the front?

A. Bust level in the front AND in the back is determined the same way -- by coming down from your shoulder point by the amount you have entered for Bust Depth. That is the same amount for front and back. So, if back bust level is out of place, then that suggests your back shoulder points is out of place. That is, the slope of the back shoulder line is too great.

If that is the case, you should increase Shoulder Slope Back until it is in place.

Q: Does Dress Shop provide any sewing or assembly directions?

A: Yes. More all the time. In addition to the 120+ page user manual, every new update includes more illustrated articles to help with your sewing projects. These articles, written by sewers for sewers, come from some of Dress Shop's most experienced users. With pictures illustrating every step of the process, they provide an invaluable aid to getting your projects perfected and getting more out of Dress Shop.

In Dress Shop 5.19, a new "Help Index" was added to provide easy access to this growing array of great instruction from other Dress Shop users.

Q: Can I install the Dress Shop 6 demo in a separate folder and still keep my Dress Shop 5 program intact and untouched?

A: No, it does not work quite that way. The two programs share the same drafting module. When you install DS6, Windows is informed that there is a new copy of that drafting module on your computer. Next time you run DS5, Windows uses the new one, rather than the old DS5 one. But, they are not compatible. If you use the new drafting module, you need to use all the other new code in the DS6 folder as well. You cannot have both in separate folders.

Q: Well then, how can I take a look at Dress Shop 6 before committing to it?

A: No problem. That's why Dress Shop 6 was released at the same time and in the same fashion as Dress Shop 5.19. Get either and you have both. If you update to Dress Shop 5.19 (our latest and cleanest version of Dress Shop), you not only get more features with that update (new yoke options, for instance), you also get the ability to preview the Dress Shop 6 products. You are running 5.19, but the File menu includes previews for Dress Shop 6 products and Fashion Designer Toolkits 1 and 2. You can view them all before you decide. But, you should get that 5.19 update in any case.

LivingSoft Links

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