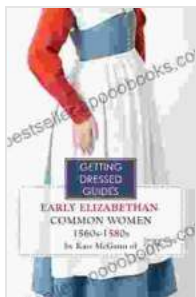


A Lady's Guide to Getting Dressed in the Early Elizabethan Era

Getting dressed in the early Elizabethan era was a complex and time-consuming process. Women of all social classes had to wear multiple layers of clothing, and the proper way to put them on was dictated by strict social conventions.

This guide will provide you with step-by-step instructions on how to get dressed in the early Elizabethan era, from undergarments to outerwear. We will also discuss the different types of fabrics and accessories that were popular during this time period.



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Undergarments

The first layer of clothing that women wore was a chemise. A chemise was a simple, loose-fitting garment made of linen or cotton. It was usually ankle-length and had long sleeves.

Over the chemise, women wore a petticoat. A petticoat was a skirt-like garment made of wool or silk. It was usually gathered at the waist and fell to the ankles.

Finally, women wore a pair of drawers. Drawers were underpants made of linen or cotton. They were usually knee-length and had a drawstring waistband.

Outerwear

Over their undergarments, women wore a variety of outer garments, including gowns, kirtles, and jackets.

A gown was a long, loose-fitting garment made of wool, silk, or velvet. It was usually open down the front and had long sleeves.

A kirtle was a shorter, tighter-fitting garment made of wool or silk. It was usually worn over a gown and had a bodice that was laced up the front.

A jacket was a short, fitted garment made of wool, leather, or fur. It was usually worn over a gown or kirtle and had long sleeves.

Accessories

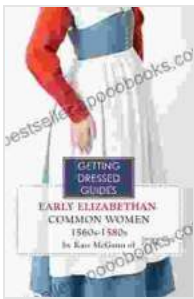
In addition to their clothing, women also wore a variety of accessories, including hats, veils, and jewelry.

Hats were popular among women of all social classes. They were made of a variety of materials, including straw, felt, and velvet. Hats were often decorated with feathers, flowers, or ribbons.

Veils were also popular among women of all social classes. They were made of a variety of materials, including silk, gauze, and lace. Veils were often worn to protect the face from the sun or wind.

Jewelry was also popular among women of all social classes. Jewelry was made of a variety of materials, including gold, silver, and pearls. Jewelry was often used to display a woman's wealth and status.

Getting dressed in the early Elizabethan era was a complex and time-consuming process. However, it was also a beautiful and expressive process. By following the instructions in this guide, you can learn how to dress like a lady in the early Elizabethan era.



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