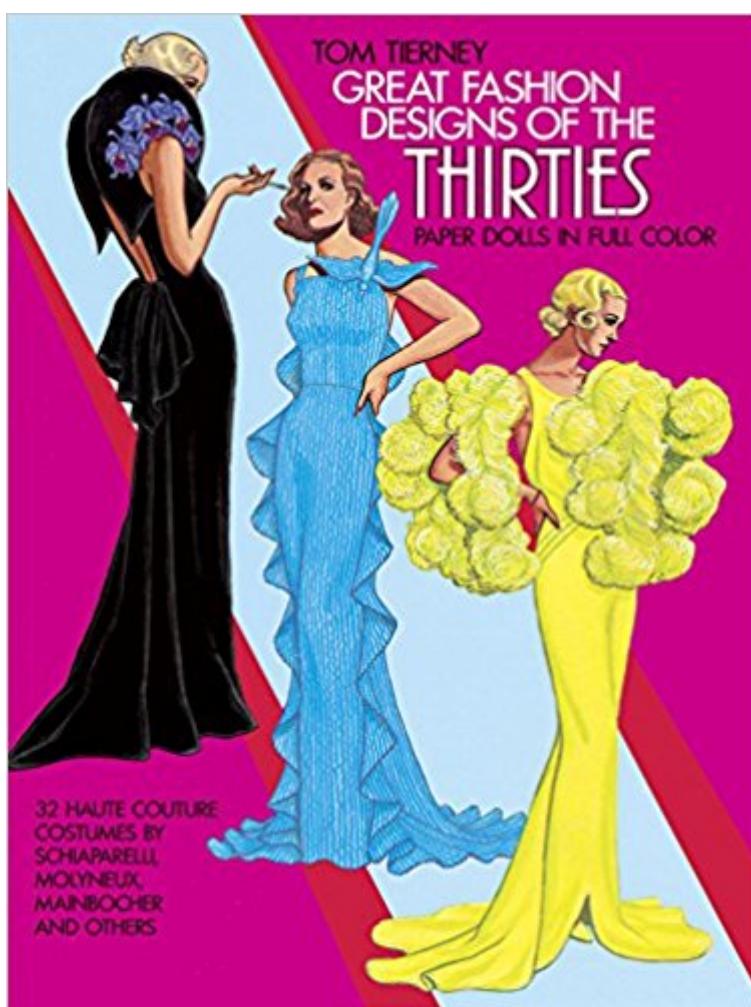


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# Great Fashion Designs Of The Thirties Paper Dolls: 32 Haute Couture Costumes By Schiaparelli, Molyneux, Mainbocher, And Others (Dover Paper Dolls)





## Synopsis

The 1930s  $\rightarrow$  they began somewhat unstylishly in the midst of a worldwide depression but ended as a dazzling and influential decade of haute couture. Influenced by the Bauhaus movement ("Form follows function") and the Art Deco trend, a coterie of brilliant designers set the tone for the times with an exciting new wave of provocative fashions. Here, in a handsome, painstakingly researched paper doll fashion book, noted artist and fashion authority Tom Tierney re-creates the exquisite inventions of the top couturiers: Schiaparelli, Lanvin, Vionnet, Molyneux, Chanel, Mainbocher, Worth, Paquin, and others. Rendered in glowing full color, the collection comprises two dolls and 32 meticulously detailed costumes, accurate down to the last nuance of fabric and fold. Suddenly out is the "boyish look" of the Roaring Twenties. It is a more seductive line. In the 30s, skirts take on a clinging fluidity, hats get smaller, gloves of every length are  $\text{à la mode}$ , and the backless evening gown makes a dramatic entrance. By 1933, Paris turns to Hollywood for inspiration and film stars Gloria Swanson, Joan Crawford, and Garbo are the new international fashion setters. (Tierney's dolls bear striking resemblances to the first two actresses.) Fashion connoisseurs will delight in this parade of stunning costumes, featuring a navy wool frock with sable-bordered cape-scarf and muff by Worth; an elegant gold lamé evening gown with gathered peplum flounce by Lanvin; a Chanel creation of white tulle with sunburst stitching; Schiaparelli's "Chinese" taffeta cape and satin dress; and dozens of other inspiring designs. An informative text describes fabrics and accessories and lists the date of the creation and the designer's name. This charming, inexpensive haute-couture collection will appeal to paper doll enthusiasts, costume fanciers, fashion historians, and anyone interested in the fascinating 30s.

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One of the leading authorities on fashion history, Tom Tierney created over 150 paper doll books for Dover Publications. With subjects ranging from U.S. Presidents to popular movie stars, Mr. Tierney's books are famous for being carefully researched and meticulously rendered. His releases are prized by fashion professionals, collectors, and paper doll lovers all over the world.

Tom Tierney does a great job with his books. He does the research for me when it comes to costume design for stage productions.

I had this book when I was a child. Of course I cut out all the dolls and destroyed it over time, so when I saw that this book was still available I had to add it to my collection as I am now an adult fashionista! It is just as beautiful as I remembered and Tom Tierney is very talented. I will NOT be cutting out the dolls! I have several of his books and being sentimental, this one is my favorite.

I purchased this as a gift. My friend loves it.

I bought this as a gift. I did not open the book but the recipient shared how beautiful the images were and remarked it was very nicely made.

Very helpful for teaching fashion history to my fashion classes.

All of Tom's books are great, but I really love this one. The styles in the thirties changed a lot from the sleek bias cut dresses of the early thirties to more fabric and heavier looks later. The designs and designers featured are great choices.

This paper doll book has the great fashions and is illustrated beautifully an all around wonderful addition to any collection.

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