# **Boy's Waistcoat Patterns**

without sleeves mid- 18<sup>th</sup> century sizes 28/30, 32, and 34 inch chest

These patterns were drawn from original garments. Size 28/30, XXVII, dated circa 1770, is shown in Norah Waugh's The Cut of Men's Clothes. Size 32, CC17, dated to 1765-1790, is shown in Linda Baumgarten's Costume Close-Up. Size 34, XXI, dated circa 1760, is shown in Norah Waugh's The Cut of Men's Clothes. They were scaled to full-size by Reb Manthey.

These patterns do not include sewing instructions. You can make them using 18<sup>th</sup> century techniques, modern techniques, or a combination.

## Materials Needed:

Main Fabric: Light to medium weight wool, or medium weight linen.

Lining Fabric: Light to medium weight linen. Pre-shrink fabric and lining as necessary.

	Size 28/30 inch chest	Size 32 inch chest	Size 34 inch chest
	pattern XXVII	pattern CC17	pattern XXI
Main Fabric:	7/8 yd 60" wide	7/8 yd 60" wide	1 yd 60" wide
	or 1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> yd 45" wide	or 1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> yd 45" wide	or 2 yd 45" wide
Lining:	same as above	same as above	same as above
Interfacing:	3/4 yd	3/4 yd	7/8 yd
Buttons: 5/8-3/4"	10-13	12	10-11
Sewing Thread, Buttonhole Thread			

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#### Before You Cut:

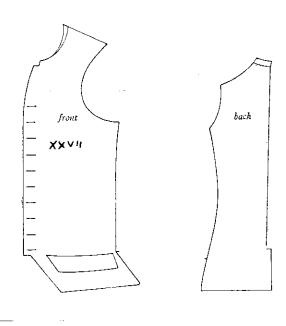
- 1. These patterns include 2 to 4 inches of ease, meaning they fit fairly closely to the body. If the wearer prefers somewhat looser-fitting clothes, or if he is growing quickly, you may wish to use the next larger size.
- 2. Shortening the Patterns: These patterns fit tall men; to fit boys or average-height men, they need to be shortened. Remove 2 to 3 inches, or use the boy/man's actual measurements. Follow the pattern markings. If you alter the length of the pattern, you will need to re-space the buttons and buttonholes.
- 3. Altering Pattern CC17: This pattern fits a man with a pot-belly; to fit an average size boy/man, make the waist smaller by cutting along the "alternate cutting line" shown on the pattern. You will then need to move the buttons and buttonholes, and maybe the pocket flaps.
- 4. Neckband: Pattern XXVII has a neckband cut on the straight grain. You may instead make a neckband cut on a curve, or omit the neckband. You may add a neckband to the other patterns. Or you may bind the neck edge.
- 5. Lining: These patterns use a full lining; you may instead make a partial lining.
- 6. Pockets: You may add real pockets.

### Other Options:

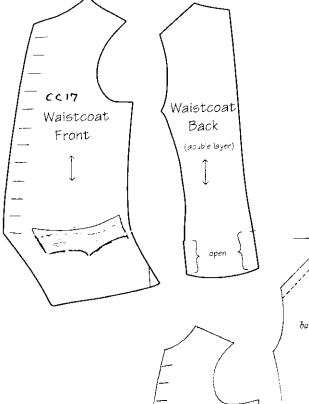
- 1. Depending on the fabric and buttons, you may put the buttonholes and buttons closer to the edge of the garment.
- 2. The buttonholes and buttons can start at the top edge, or a few inches lower.
- 3. You may add real or decorative buttonholes and buttons to the pocket flaps.

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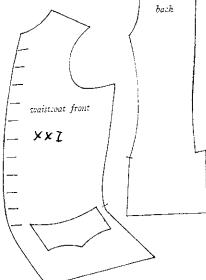
XXVII Size 28/30" chest Circa 1770 (Norah Waugh)



CC 17 512e 32" chest CIrca 1765-1790 (Bavmgarten)



XXI Size 34" Chest Circa 1760 (Nomh Waugh)



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