

NOTES FOR COSTUME CREATION

When thinking about planning your medieval costume, remember how many occupations there were then. Many people were poor.

Tavern Keeper	Serving Maid	Blacksmith	Goldsmith
Merchant	Peddler	King	Queen
Prince	Princess	Lord	Lady
Page	Servant	Maid	Priest
Monk	Nun	Miller	Peasant
Pilgrim	Fisherman	Minstrel	Court Jester



COSTUME COMPONENT SUGGESTIONS FOR MEN:

1) Feet: Sandals or boots

2) Legs; Tights ... Long winter underwear in dark colors with dark jogging shorts over. Old trousers cut short, made into knickers with ribbon or rubber bands. Bright color knee socks work with knickers.

3) Torso: Open neck, long-sleeve shirt under... Tunic // Blouse with full sleeves // long robe // bathrobe with hood for a monk // Tie a sash or belt at your waist // Vests // Capes

4) Head: raggy hat, pointed "Robin Hood" type hat, oversize beret, crown.

5) Jewels: Gaudy costume jewelry. Chains or beads. Macaroni: string it, spray it gold, glue on sparkles!



COSTUME COMPONENT SUGGESTIONS FOR WOMEN:

1) Feet: flat heel pumps, sandals

2) Legs: Stockings

3) Dress: Dirndl skirt with peasant blouse and apron // gunny sack type dress from thrift shop // nightgown with long sleeves worn under long full skirt // long robe or dress // Aprons, sashes, overskirts

4) Jewelry: same as for men

5) Head: mob cap made from 14" circle of fabric, gathered near edge. Pointed hat with chiffon or net covering and "trailer." Wreath of flowers. Braids and ribbons!



Look in your own CLOSETS or at the THRIFT STORE for belts, sashes, headbands, and more!

For advice on sewing or making your own costume, talk to Jeanne Dunn.

For costumes that can be loaned, talk to Cathy Sharp or Kristen Nicholas.