

many soft and serviceable woollens of light or dark hue, and is suitable for both house and street wear. Silk will usually be liked for the vest in combination with other textures.

We have pattern No. 8555 in thirteen sizes, for ladies from twenty-eight to forty-six inches, bust measure. For a lady of medium size, the costume will require eight yards and a half of dress goods forty inches wide, with a yard and three-eighths of silk twenty inches wide, and two yards of edging nine inches wide. Of one material, it needs fifteen yards and three-eighths twenty-two inches wide,

LADIES' BICYCLE COSTUME, CONSISTING OF A JACKET, A SHORT SKIRT (PERFORATED FOR SHORTER LENGTH), AND BLOOMERS WITH CUFFS. (TO BE WORN WITH A BLOUSE, SHIRT-WAIST OR HIGH-NECKED VEST AND WITH BOOTS OR LEGGINGS.) (ALSO DESIRABLE FOR HUNTING, PEDESTRIANISM, ETC.)
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No. 8555. — At figure D 35 in this magazine and at figure A 103 on the Ladies' Plate for Autumn, 1896, this costume is again shown.

The costume is practical in style and graceful in effect and is here pictured made of serge and finished with stitching. The bloomers are shaped by inside and outside leg seams and a center seam, the outside seams being terminated at both ends at underlaps allowed on the backs. The lower edges of the legs are gathered and finished with cuffs that are closed like the openings with buttons and button-holes. The bloomers are gathered at the top and completed with bands, and are closed at the sides with buttons and button-holes.

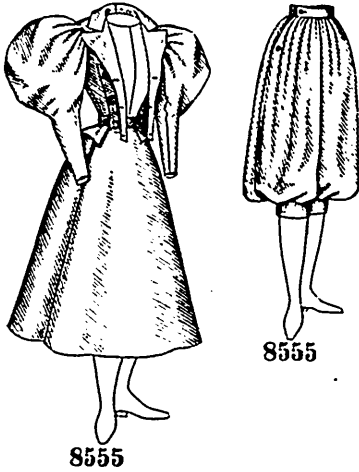
The skirt consists of three gores and a straight back-breadth and is arranged at the back in two box-plaits that are single at their front folds and double at their back folds. At the front and sides it is smooth at the top and ripples below the hips, and the side-front seams are terminated below plaquets that are closed with buttons and button-holes in a fly. The skirt is comfortably wide, measuring a little over three yards and a fourth in the medium sizes, and may be made in either of the two lengths illustrated. The belt completing the top of the skirt

is in two sections that are closed above the plaquets.

The jacket is fitted by a center seam, wide side-back gores and single bust darts and is lengthened back of the darts by a ripple peplum having a center seam. The fronts are reversed in lapels by a rolling collar that forms notches with the lapels, and may be closed in double-breasted style with button-holes and buttons or rolled in lapels all the way, as preferred, both effects being illustrated. The darts are left open for a short distance at the waistline to allow a belt having pointed ends to pass under the fronts. The sleeves are in two-seam leg-o'-mutton style and are gathered at the top.

In the choice of materials for cycling costumes there is little scope, neatness and durability being the two requisite qualities. Becoming colors, however, can be selected, brown, blue, gray, etc., being obtainable in mixtures that do not readily show dust marks. The bloomers are sometimes made of linen when the costume is of cloth, for the sake of lightness and coolness. Stitching is the usual finish.

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Front View.



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Back View.

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or eleven yards and a fourth thirty inches wide, or ten yards thirty-six inches wide, or eight yards and seven-eighths forty-four inches wide, or seven yards and a half fifty inches wide. Price of pattern, 1s. 8d. or 40 cents.