

The Bolero—Then and Now

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The bolero as shown in the May 1931 *McCall's* magazine, is described as ranging from bolero to fingertip in length and is straight cut or slightly fitted. The bolero goes hand in hand with the clean-cut lines of a correct silhouette. Sleeves either cap or wrist length add interest to the bolero

Add to a skirt and you have the smartest suit of the summer season. Contrast the color and texture, and the costume will take on a whole new look.



Note the similarities in the boleros. Can you tell which ones are from the May 1930 *McCall's* magazine, which ones are from the October 1949 *McCall's* printed patterns catalog and which ones are the 2013 version?

