



Pricing Guide

CUSTOM DRESS DESIGN

	SEMI-CUSTOM	SIMPLE	STANDARD	COMPLEX
Child 6-8yrs	from \$1500	from \$2000	from \$2500	from \$3000
Child 9-12yrs	from \$1800	from \$2300	from \$2700	from \$3500
Adult/ Teen	from \$2100	from \$2700	from \$3000	from \$4000
	Choose from a selection of repeatable dress designs and customise colours to your preferences.	Includes a simple design requiring minimal custom embroidery elements.	Includes a typical amount of custom embroidery.	Includes complex or detailed custom embroidery design.

Pricing is based on dress size as well as complexity of the design. Age guides given are approximate and may vary depending on the size and development of the dancer. Pricing does not include stones, your stone package must be selected in addition to your dress package. Small adjustments to the semi-custom designs are possible but will incur an hourly design, digitizing and embroidery fee of \$50/hour.

WHAT IS INCLUDED?

- For all packages excluding the semi-custom options your price includes two design concept drawings.
- Stoned number clip sewn into bodice seam.
- Measurement consultation.
- Design consultation prior to design concept drawings being produced.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

MATCHING HAIRPIECE

from \$150

The cost of a matching hairpiece varies depending on the size of the hairpiece. Please see hairpiece section for more information.

LYCRA KICKPANTS

\$30

Kickpants can be made from a variety of lycra colours and finishes to match the underskirt of the dress.

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STONE PACKAGES

	LIGHT	MEDIUM	HEAVY	
SILVER	\$300	\$550	\$1000	<p>The silver stone package is a great option for keeping the overall cost of your dress down. These are non-brand name glass stones which have been tested on multiple dresses with no visible difference to their shine on stage. There are some colours/sizes of stones which are less vibrant or unavailable in this package so these limitations should be discussed prior to the design process commencing.</p>
GOLD	\$600	\$1000	\$1800	<p>The Gold Stone Package uses a mid-range rhinestone brand which is recognised as being of high quality but without the brand recognition of some other stones. These stones have an excellent range of colours in larger and shaped stones.</p>
PLATINUM	\$900	\$1500	\$3000	<p>The Platinum Stone Package uses the highest quality rhinestones. These are known for a brilliant shine and are more resistant to scratches on the AB coating. Some larger stones in this range may not be available in all colours so these limitations should be discussed prior to the design process commencing.</p>



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CUSTOM HAIRPIECES

		WIDTH				
		X Small 20cm	Small 25cm	Standard 30cm	Large 35cm	X Large 40cm
HEIGHT	X Petite 6cm	\$150	\$160	\$180	\$200	\$230
	Petite 8cm	\$160	\$180	\$200	\$230	\$250
	Standard 10cm	\$180	\$200	\$230	\$250	\$270
	Tall 12cm	\$200	\$230	\$250	\$270	\$300
	X Tall 14cm	\$230	\$250	\$270	\$300	\$330

Prices include stoning from the Silver Package. Upgrades to stoning package are priced as follows;

GOLD + \$50

PLATINUM + \$100

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KICK PANTS SIZING CHART

	GIRLS/CHILD SIZES				LADIES/ADULT SIZES			
	XS	S	M	L	XS	S	M	L
Waist	54cm	58cm	61cm	63cm	65cm	67cm	69cm	71cm
Hip	59cm	65cm	71cm	77cm	86cm	92cm	98cm	101cm
Thigh	35cm	39cm	43cm	47cm	51cm	56cm	61cm	66cm

Kick pants are made from high quality lycra. If your measurements fall between sizes we recommend going up a size for the waist and thigh measurements as these areas are elasticated and have the least stretch.

To ensure the best possible colour match please provide us with a photo of the underskirt of the dress taken in natural light (outside). Not all cameras and screens show colours the same and despite us having the ability to order fabric in over 100 colours it is not always possible to get an exact match to existing fabrics so please be aware of this when ordering.

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ALTERATIONS

LENGTH ADJUSTMENT

\$150 - \$250

WIDTH ADJUSTMENT

\$100 - \$200

SLEEVE REPLACEMENT

\$120 - \$500

The base price for sleeve replacement ranges depending on the fabrics chosen, with standard mesh or lace fabrics this typically ranges from \$120 to \$150.

Additional costs may apply for extra embroidery or large amounts of stones.

ADDITIONAL STONES

\$30 per 100 stones

The price per 100 stones includes the time and other consumables such as glue. The cost of sourcing and purchasing stones will be passed onto the customer. This can vary depending on the quantity, quality and colour of stones required.

All prices given are general in nature and subject to change depending on the complexity of a particular alteration. Where issues are discovered in the construction of a dress requiring additional work to rectify the customer will be contacted and a solution and cost discussed prior to work continuing.

The price of alterations will vary depending on the number of stones that need to be removed as well as any additional challenge with matching up embroidery or design elements.

Alterations include;

- Fit check of dress on dancer before and following alteration.
- Removal and replacement of existing stones in alteration area
- Additional placement of up to 20 stones provided by customer.
- Use of an existing zip or suitable replacement zip provided by the customer for width adjustment.

Please Note: If you require additional stones to be purchased for the dress these should be discussed in advance and sourced following discussion but prior to the alteration commencing. The cost of new stones will be the responsibility of the customer. Only glass stones from reputable suppliers will be accepted due to possible reactions between plastic stones and the glues used.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT ARE THE STONE PACKAGES?

In order to help you find a dress that not only suits your dancer but also suits your budget we have created a series of stone packages at different price points.

There are three levels of stone pricing; Silver, Gold, and Platinum which use different stone manufacturers. You can then choose from three different levels of stone coverage; light, medium, or heavy to achieve the desired effect.

When we design your dress your stone coverage and manufacturer will be taken into account to ensure the most stunning result within your budget.

The Silver stone package has a limited colour range and not all stone colours are available in all shapes and sizes. Pink is a particularly challenging colour in this range so alternatives will need to be discussed if you are wanting a bright pink for your dress.

The Platinum range does not have as large a selection of colours in larger stones and pear shapes. If selecting this option we are typically only able to source clear, AB, and gold stones in those shapes/sizes.

WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU NEED FROM ME?

If you are purchasing a new dress you will be sent an order form once your deposit has been paid. This will include information regarding all the required measurements and how to take them as well as a questionnaire about your likes/dislikes for the design. At this stage you will be able to provide as much information regarding your dancer and their preferences for their dress as you wish, please be aware however that we will not copy a design from another dressmaker and we prefer to design each dress ourselves rather than use pre-purchased design drawings.

Deposits are \$500 for a custom and \$300 for a semi-custom

HOW MUCH WILL MY DRESS COST?

We have attempted to create as clear a pricing guide as possible but due to the nature of Irish Dancing dresses and the variation between them each dress will be individually priced. The prices given in this guide are a good place to start and variation to these costs should be minimal if your requests align with the design and stoning level selected. Following the design phase you will be provided with two design options based on the information provided in the questionnaire and a price associated with each design.

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WHAT CAN I DO TO KEEP THE COST DOWN?

Irish Dance is an expensive sport and we will do our best to keep the costs down for you where possible. Our advice will always consider the most efficient and cost effective options. That being said if you need to reduce the cost further there are some options;

For a new dress

- Select a semi-custom design. A significant part of the cost of an Irish Dance dress is the design and digitisation of the unique embroidery. The semi-custom option is a great way to achieve an individual look at a lower price point. We will never replicate a particular combination of colours/fabrics exactly.
- Select a cheaper stone. There is a lot of hype in the dance world about particular stone brands and there are certainly some minor differences in quality between brands of stone, however that difference becomes indiscernible on stage and we have found there is no visible difference between the shine achieved on stage for cheaper stones. In some instances people have reported that the lower cost stones in larger shapes with AB coating scratch more easily but this can be reduced by ensuring your dress has a protective layer (such as a towel) between stones when folded in a dress bag.
- Stoning your own dress can help to reduce your costs. If stoning the dress yourself please make sure you are purchasing quality glass crystals and using an appropriate glue such as E6000 or GemTac. Acrylic gems can melt with the use of some glues and other glues will not hold the stones on the dress securely. Emerald Spirit Designs take no responsibility for damage to a dress that occurs if you choose to complete the stoning yourself. Please take all safety precautions recommended when using adhesives as some can be toxic if used incorrectly.

For alterations

- Remove and clean glue off the backs of stones prior to your alteration. Many dressmakers use glues which are very difficult to take off the back of the stones so doing this step yourself will reduce the time charged for your alteration.
- Replace stones yourself. If stoning the dress yourself please make sure you are purchasing quality glass crystals and using an appropriate glue such as E6000 or GemTac. Acrylic gems can melt with the use of some glues and other glues will not hold the stones on the dress securely. Emerald Spirit Designs take no responsibility for damage to a dress that occurs if you choose to complete the stoning yourself. Please take all safety precautions recommended when using adhesives as some can be toxic if used incorrectly.

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