## **Colonial Couture**

Tricorner hats and cravats were worn by many of the early presidents of the United States including John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and James Madison.



## **Tricorn Hat**

Wearing wigs and hats was a popular style for men in colonial America, as well as the new nation and Europe, throughout the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries. Keeping hats on over the wigs was difficult, so hats were often carried under the arm. Folded hats were much easier to carry this way.

Towards the end of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, the Tricorner hat, often referred to as the Tricorn hat, quickly became the new style.

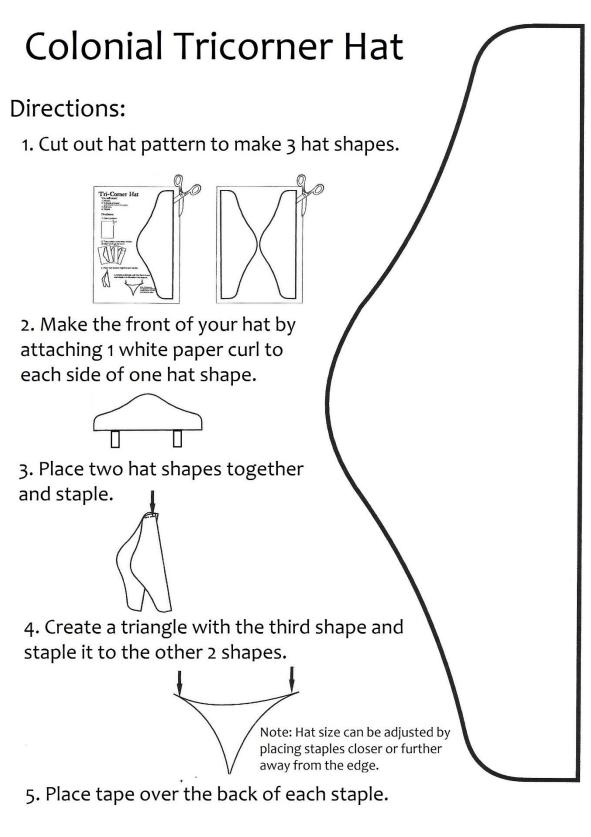


## **Colonial Cravat**

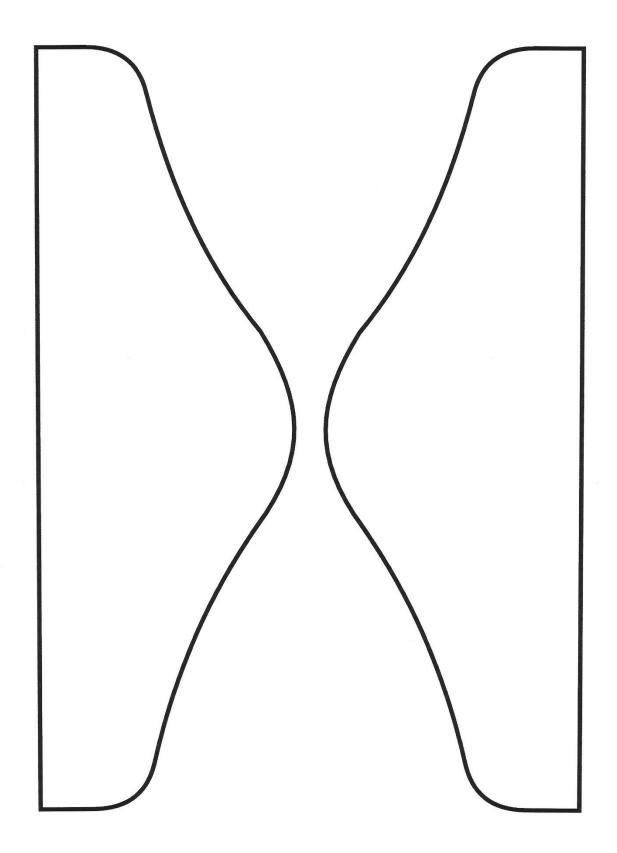
The word cravat comes from the "crabate" worn by Croatian soldiers who served in the French Army. The cravat appeared in the mid-17<sup>th</sup> century fashions for men's formal wear. By the 18<sup>th</sup> century most men wore sort type of cloth around their necks, with the cravat as one of the popular forms of neckwear for both formal and informal clothes while they worked. The cravat was generally of white linen that was

decorated at the ends with lace or fringe. A cravat is wrapped around the neck and loosely tied in the front tucked into their vests or shirts.

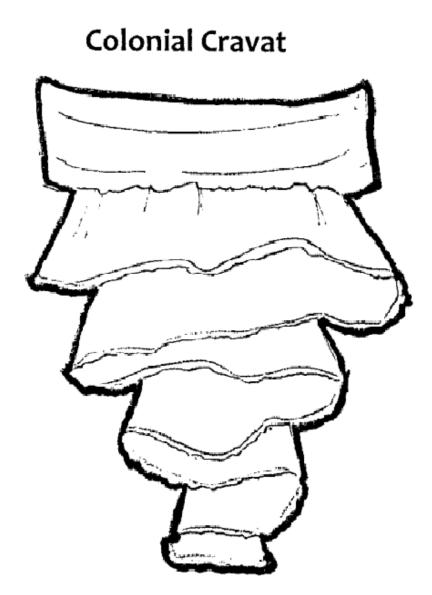
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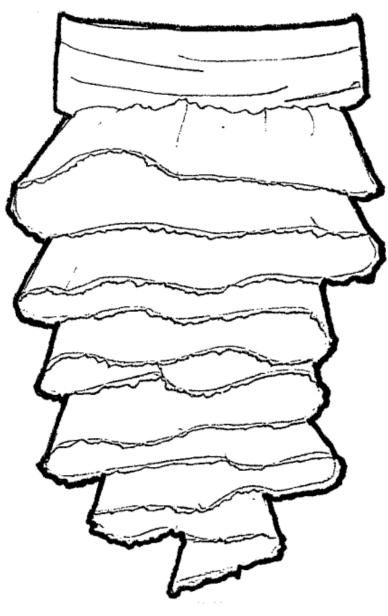
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- 1. Cut along the outline of the cravat.
- 2. Color and glue on materials to your liking.
- 3. Paste a large stick on the back to use as your handle or hole punch each side and tie on with string to wear today!

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