

TIP OF THE MONTH JUNE 2006

SAGGING FABRIC

When a jabot is cut on an extreme curve, such as our pattern 9287 or 9288, it means the bias areas will tend to stretch. If your fabric is questionable you may want to stabilize it:

After cutting, place the interlining to the wrong side of the jabot fabric. Place the right side of the lining against the right side of the jabot fabric. Pin only at the top of the return area. Pin the top of the return (and at the top dot) to a wall or bulletin board. Both sides and the bottom need to hang free for several days. Some of the fabrics will stretch more than others. After the stretching is complete (and with the jabot still hanging) do some pinning that will keep the fabrics together. Smooth the jabot on the table, lay the jabot pattern on it and cut the fabrics to fit the pattern. Pin the fabrics again. You are now ready for Step 1.