

## Poetess Tulle Gown by Ventriloquist Court® - Item Description & Material Information

### DESCRIPTION

The poetess tulle gown is a 2pc consisting of a blouse and tulle skirt. Made of duck egg green-blue sheer peace silk, the poetess peace silk blouse is a regular fit with puffy short sleeves and floral bud detailing on the sleeves and bodice. The colour is difficult to describe; it is a coastal-seaside themed colour which is more green than blue. The colour is best seen in person - please request a sample swatch of the fabric if you would like to be sure of the exact colour/shade/texture.

The front of the blouse has bust and five vertical darts in the middle, and the back, two darts. The peace silk has a crispy texture much like organza, and it is handwoven in India by a family of silk weavers in Maharashtra. The yarn of peace silk is derived from empty cocoons; the silk worms are not killed in the harvesting process. The uneven weave of the silk is characteristic of handwoven fabrics, making each piece truly unique and fitting for slow fashion. The puffy short sleeves feature romantic gathers, and the blouse closes at the back with 'pearlescent' plastic buttons.

Each individual floral bud is hand sewn with a decorative vintage Japanese pearlescent bead in an ivory colour. The floral buds are made from a mix of sheer pale blush handwoven peace silk and sheer white handwoven cotton organdy, which has a stiff texture. The bodice hems are embellished with petite English-made ivory colour cotton lace trim.

The sheerness of the silk makes the blouse suitable for layering over a plain bandeau, strapless lace bra, camisole, or spaghetti top.

A stunning floor-length, the poetess tulle skirt is fitting for weddings and formal

events. The skirt is made from layers of English-made 100% nylon tulle (choose from stark white, blush, or nude colour). This couture quality nylon tulle is easy to launder and is a great alternative to silk tulle for vegans. The skirt has a romantic trail at the back created by gathers of tulle extending up to 1.5m in floor-length. The tulle itself is reasonably soft for a fabric which holds body well.

The skirt lining is a floor-length made of 100% lightweight cotton sateen fabric in an off-white colour, closing at the back with an invisible zipper and a 'pearlescent' vintage plastic button. The front of the skirt is left plain, with the back embellished with white fabric flowers made from lightweight sheer cotton organdy handwoven by artisans in India. Each floral bud is hand-shaped with a raw cut and hand-sewn with an ivory colour vintage pearlescent plastic bead made in Japan in the 1970s.

## CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Hand wash the peace silk blouse in cool water using mild soap such as castile soap. The blouse does not need any ironing, if a rustic look is desired. Otherwise, if ironing is desired, ensure that the silk is thoroughly damp before ironing, as excessive ironing of dry silk can damage the silk fibres. The recommended iron setting is a low-heat one. Given all of the floral bud embellishments, it can be tricky to iron the blouse, but please take care to avoid ironing any of the beads!

Hand wash the tulle skirt in cold water with colourless mild detergent or mild soap such as white castile soap. Avoid ironing the tulle fabric! The cotton sateen lining can be ironed using a warm heat setting (the setting for wool and other delicate fabrics).

DETAILED INFO ABOUT MATERIALS USED FOR  
POETESS TULLE GOWN

- \* Sheer peace silk (lightweight fabric: 40g/yard; fair trade artisan 100% silk fabric handwoven & hand-dyed using low-impact dyes in India) - textured, crispy feel similar to organza with uneven weave, and the colours are duck egg blue-green and pale blush. Peace silk is derived from empty cocoons; the silk worms are allowed to complete their life cycle and are not killed in the harvesting process.
- \* Sheer white 100% cotton organdy handwoven by artisans in India (lightweight, crispy, and stiff fabric which holds body)
- \* Petite English cotton leavers laces in an ivory colour (lace is made in Nottingham, England; 95% cotton & 5% nylon)
- \* Lightweight 100% nylon tulle at 15gsm (made in England)
- \* Lightweight 100% non-stretch plain cotton sateen in an off-white colour
- \* Petite pearlescent buttons made of acrylic plastic in an ivory colour (1970s vintage stock made in Japan)
- \* Pearlescent plastic buttons - stock will vary, but off-white, natural, or pale cream vintage stock pearlescent buttons is always preferred
- \* Nickle plated brass hook & eye clip made in Japan
- \* Lightweight 100% non-stretch plain cotton sateen in an off-white colour
- \* Vanilla colour polyester invisible zipper (USA-made)