

# Nutcracker Costume Notes



Please read the following costume notes thoroughly for each role you/your child is in and ensure all items needed are purchased and ready for dress rehearsal. If you have any costuming questions, please email [lbtcostumes@gmail.com](mailto:lbtcostumes@gmail.com).

**Note for all pointe roles:** Pointe shoes must be sewn in for dress rehearsal and all performances. The only exception is for Clara since there is quick change from black ballet slippers to pointe shoes. ALL pointe roles (except Rat & Dragon) need false eyelashes (including Russian & Maids). Ballerina Doll wears absurdly long clown eyelashes.

## Details on tights:

- **Pointe roles** need new seamed pink tights (old tights tend to bag at knees) – Capezio 9C Theatrical Pink
- **Non-pointe roles** need non-seamed tights brand Capezio Ballet Pink. Remember to bring an extra pair if tights will be seen in case they get a run in them.

## General costuming reminders:

- No jewelry (unless indicated in costume notes)
- No nail polish
- Hair and general makeup should be done before arriving at the theater for dress rehearsal and shows. Soldiers, Dolls, Bunny, Rag Doll, and Polichinelles' makeup will be done at the theater, and should be removed before leaving the theater.
- Dancers with quick changes - please bring a small, labeled laundry basket or box to hold your quick change shoes/accessories backstage.

## Costume notes by role:

### Angels:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Gold hoop skirt and top, halo headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** Capezio pink tights (not new), pink leather ballet shoes, leotard to wear under costume
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, no eyeliner, no false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun - use plenty of hairspray to ensure no wispies. This also makes it easier to secure the halo to hair.

### Arabian female lead:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Gold top and pants, headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink pointe shoes, seamed pink tights, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun

### Arabian male lead:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Gold vest and pants, white tights (roll up), arm bands
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** beige ballet shoes (skin color)
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Bakers:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** White jacket and pants, white tank, baker hat (with stuffing), red scarf, red striped socks
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white ballet shoes with white elastic, white leotard for under costume, pink tights (not new - will be pinned to socks)
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, no eyeliner, no false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** high bun to go under chef hat (no whispies)

### Ballerina Doll:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** pink tutu, headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink pointe shoes, seamed pink tights, earrings
- **Makeup:** Doll-like makeup, extra-long lashes, red circle cheeks (1/2 dollar size)
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Bunny:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** white bunny suit and head, bunny gloves, white ballet shoes, white leotard
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white tights
- **Makeup:** bunny makeup (provided - to be done by parent at theater)
- **Hair:** flat hairstyle with no whispies to go under bunny head

### Butler:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** slacks, jacket, ascot, vest
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white button-down dress shirt and black dress shoes
- **Makeup:** stage makeup

### Cadet Doll:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** toy soldier pants, white tights, jacket, hat
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black ballet shoes with one white strap
- **Makeup:** stage makeup, red circle cheeks (1/2 dollar size)

### Cavalier:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** cream long sleeved top with ornate front, white tights
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white ballet shoes
- **Makeup:** stage makeup

### Cherubs:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** peach leotard, peach dress, headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** new Capezio pink tights, clean pink leather ballet shoes with one strap across
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, no eyeliner, no false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun - use plenty of hairspray & bobby pins to ensure no wispies.

### Chinese male lead:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Kimono and matching short pants, white tights, hat
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black ballet shoes with one white elastic
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Chinese female lead:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Kimono, gold headpiece, fan
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** Pink seamed tights, pink pointe shoes, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun - use plenty of hairspray to ensure no wispies.

### Chinese Corps:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Kimono, hat, parasol
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** Pink seamed tights, pointe shoes, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun - use plenty of hairspray to ensure no wispies.

### Clara:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** red dress, underskirt, pantaloons, white nightgown, hair bows
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink seamed tights, pink pointe shoes, black canvas ballet shoes, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** party girl ringlet curls, hair half up

### Clara's friends:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** dress, pantaloons, bow
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** new Capezio pink tights, black ballet shoes with one black elastic across, nude over/under
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** party girl ringlet curls, hair half up \*hair will be checked the last Saturday of studio rehearsal, hair pieces must be approved by Mrs. Lannin

### Fritz:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** brown jacket, white shirt, black pants
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white tights, black jazz shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Guardian Angel:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** leotard/skirt, halo, wings
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink seamed tights, pink pointe shoes, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun - use plenty of hairspray to ensure no wispies.

### Little Polly:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** pink jumpsuit, two pink bows
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white ballet tights, white canvas ballet shoes with crisscross straps
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, no false lashes, pink circle stamp cheeks, pink lipstick (provided)
- **Hair:** parted in the middle, two pigtail braids pinned up, bows on each side

### Maids:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** black leotard and skirt, white apron, headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink pointe shoes, pink seamed tights, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** neat ballet bun

### Mice:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** grey mouse body and heads, grey leotard, grey tights, grey shoes, **white mouse** - white mouse body and head, white leotard
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** **white mouse** - white tights and white ballet shoes
- **Makeup:** no makeup
- **Hair:** flat hairstyle for under headpiece - most do two tight french braids pinned up in back. Make sure to use plenty of hairspray so no wispies and head piece has something secure to pin to

### Mirlitons:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** green and yellow dress, hat
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink pointe shoes, pink seamed tights, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Nanny:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** black dress, black shirt, white apron, striped pantaloons
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink ballet tights, black character shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Nutcracker Prince:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** red jacket, nutcracker head, white tights, white boots, gloves, white elastic belt, sword
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** none
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Party Boys:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** jackets, white undershirt (when applicable), pants
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black jazz shoes, white tights
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup
- **Hair:** cleanly styled, use gel & hairspray

### Party Dads:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** party jacket, top hat
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white ironed button-down dress shirt, black dress pants, black dress shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Party Girls:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** dresses, pantaloons, hair bow
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink tights (not new, pantaloons will be pinned to tights), black canvas ballet shoes with one black strap across
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, no false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** party girl ringle curls, hair half up \*hair will be checked the last Saturday of rehearsal, hair pieces must be approved by Mrs. Lannin (hair piece may only be used if dancer has another role)

### Polichinelles

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** Boys - yellow top and pants, hat. Girls - dress and apron with pantaloons, hairpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white tights, white canvas ballet shoes with crisscross straps
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes (girls only), pink lipstick (provided), pink circle stamp cheeks
- **Hair:** boys - high bun for boys to go under hat, lower bun for girls to go with hairpiece

### Rag Doll:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** dress, apron, wig, striped socks
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink tights (not new), black canvas ballet shoes
- **Makeup:** Rag doll makeup (makeup provided, to be done at theater by parent)
- **Hair:** pulled back in flat hairstyle to go under rag doll hair

### Rats

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** black unitard, headpiece, tail
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pointe shoes and ribbon dyed black (Sharpie)
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** high flat bun to go under rat head

### Russian Male:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** black t-shirt, tunic, pants, black belt
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black socks, black tennis shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Russian Female:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** top, vest, skirt, black spats, headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black jazz shoes, pink tights, pink trunks, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Sleigh Attendants:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** white socks, unitard, vest with silver bow, cape, hat, maribous (ankles & wrists)
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** Capezio pink tights, white canvas ballet shoes with white elastic
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, no false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Snow King:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** silver jacket, white tights
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white ballet shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Snow Queen:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** white tutu, crown
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** seamed pink tights, pink trunks, pink pointe shoes, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Snowflakes:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** white tutus, arm puffs, headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** seamed pink tights, pink pointe shoes, pink trunks, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Spanish Corps:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** brown dress, headpiece, brown velour mitts, choker, fan
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** seamed pink tights, pink pointe shoes, pink trunks, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun with curl drawn down on both sides

### Spanish female lead:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** tutu, rose headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** seamed pink tights, pink pointe shoes, pink trunks, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun with curl drawn down on both sides

### Spanish male lead:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** jacket, white tights, black tights
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black ballet shoes, black tights
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Sugarplum fairy:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** tutu, crown (unless she brings her own)
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** seamed pink tights, pink pointe shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Soldiers:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** jacket, pants, white gloves and socks, hat
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink tights (not new), black canvas ballet shoes with white elastic, nude over/under. **For horse soldiers:** black tights (not new), black ballet shoes with black elastic
- **Makeup:** stage makeup, blue eyeshadow, no false lashes, Red Alert lipstick, red circle cheeks (quarter-size)
- **Hair:** high bun to go under soldier hat unless dancer is a Young Lady first, then hair can stay in french braid.

### Waltz:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** short tutus, pink long tutus, flower headpiece
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink pointe shoes, seamed pink tights, pink trunks, earrings
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** ballet bun

### Waltz Males:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** jacket, white tights
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** white ballet shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup

### Women Guests:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** long dress, petticoat
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** pink non-seamed tights, pink ballet shoes
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** party curls \*hairpieces must be approved by Mrs. Lannin

### Young Ladies:

- **Costume pieces provided by LBT:** dress, lace headpiece, pantaloons
- **Costume pieces provided by dancer:** black canvas ballet shoes with one strap of black elastic sewn across, pink tights (don't have to be new), black leotard or nude over/under
- **Makeup:** regular stage makeup, false lashes, Red Alert lipstick
- **Hair:** French braid down center of head with end is tucked under and pinned