TEXTILE AND FASHION TERMS GLOSSARY
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Textiles Terms

lubs small knots or lumps in a yarn or fabric.
lubs thick, unevenly twisted sections of yarn.
oucle rough curly, knotted yarn and the fabric resulting from using it.
chiffon sheer, very lightweight, plain-weave fabric of fine tightly twisted yarns.
georgette sheer, lightweight plain-weave fabric made with fine, highly twisted crepe yarns. It is less lustrous than chiffon.
crepe fabric with a crinkled or grainy surface, usually made with highly twisted yarns. The effect may also be achieved with a finish.
gabardine tightly woven twill weave fabric with fine, close, diagonal lines. The lines cannot be seen on the wrong side of the fabric. The diagonal lines can be regular or steep and are more pronounced than serge.
valery twill sturdy twill fabric with pronounced diagonal lines.
overt closely woven warp-face twill. Its characteristic is a two-plied yarn with one ply in a dark color and the other in a light color to give a mottled appearance.
aile light- to medium weight plain-weave fabric with flat ribs made by using heavier filling yarns. The finishing that flattens the ribs gives luster.
ttoman firm, plain-weave fabric with uneven sized ribs made with heavy corded filling yarns completely covered by the warp yarns.
hipcord twill-weave fabric with a more pronounced diagonal rib on the right side than gabardine.
anne pile fabric with a pile longer than velvet but shorter than plush. The pile is flattened to give the fabric luster.
Melton thick heavyweight plain- or twill-weave coating fabric with a smooth, napped, lustrous surface.

Pointelle warp knit with an openwork pattern.

**Fashion Terms**

**Swing or tent style** narrow through the shoulders, then flare to fullness at the hem.

**Trench coat** double breasted with convertible collar and large lapels. It has a loose shoulder yoke, epaulets, and buckled belt.

**Anorak** pull-over waist-length jacket with a hood.

**Toggle** three quarter length coat fastened with wooden or metal toggles. The toggle fastening is an oblong shanked button fastened with a loop.

**Fly away jacket** fullness at the back hem of the jacket. Short jackets may end above the waist or longer jackets may have the fullness controlled at the waist by a partial back belt.

**Chemise** dress that hangs straight from the shoulders without darts or fitting.

**Slip dress** chemise that hangs from narrow straps over the shoulders.

**Jumper** dress with large neckline and armholes worn with a blouse or sweater.

**Stirrup pants** long, slim fitted pants, usually of knitted fabric, that have elastic under the instep of the foot.

**Unitard** a one-piece stretch fabric garment that covers the body and the legs.

**Camisoles** blouses with a horizontal neckline just above the bust and supported by shoulder straps.

**Bustiers** shaped strapless blouse.

**Slipgowns** backless gown, held in the front by straps that cross the shoulders and are attached at the waist in the back. The straps frequently cross in the back.

**Sweeps** a blend between large scarves and capes.