PANTYHOSE WITH SHAPING BAND FOR CHEEKY DERRIERE RELIEF

Inventor: Julie Newmar, 12 Beekman Place, New York, N.Y. 10022

Filed: Sept. 25, 1974

Appl. No.: 509,080

U.S. Cl. .................................................. 2/224 R
Int. Cl. .................................................. A41b 9/04
Field of Search ............ 2/224 R, 224 A, 225, 226, 2/227, 66/177

References Cited
FOREIGN PATENTS OR APPLICATIONS
6,918,644 6/1971 Netherlands ......................... 2/224 R
1,230,158 4/1971 United Kingdom ..................... 2/224 R

ABSTRACT

This disclosure teaches pantyhose wherein a panty portion is made of a semielastic fabric (such as a blend of nylon and lycra) enclosing a wearer's lower torso and is provided with an elastic waist encircling band. The panty portion includes a rear panty portion which covers and confines the wearer's buttocks. The pantyhose also define a crotch between leg portions. An elastic shaping band is attached to the rear panty portion and is connected from the vicinity of the crotch to the vicinity of the waist band and fits between the wearer's buttocks to delineate the wearer's derriere in cheeky relief.

6 Claims, 4 Drawing Figures
PANTYHOSE WITH SHAPING BAND FOR CHEEKY DERRIERE RELIEF

BACKGROUND OF INVENTION

When semielastic fabrics (such as Monsanto’s MONVELLE, a biconstituted fabric of 50% nylon and 50% SPANDEX lycra) are used for pantyhose, they provide support for a wearer’s legs as well as confinement for the wearer’s lower abdomen and derriere. Usually the more flattening of the wearer’s lower abdomen that is achieved, the more tendency there is to flatten and de-naturalize the wearer’s derriere.

STATE OF INVENTION

The present invention provides pantyhose of a semi-elastic fabric which enhance natural shape of a wearer’s derriere giving it cheeky relief, rather than board-like flatness. The pantyhose include a rear panty portion which covers and confines the wearer’s buttocks. An elastic shaping band is attached to the rear panty portion and is connected from the vicinity of the wearer’s crotch rearward to the vicinity of a waist band of the pantyhose. The elastic shaping band fits between the wearer’s buttocks to produce the desired cheeky relief thereof.

A further objective of this invention is to have the shaping band unseen through a wearer’s outer garments.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a shaping band which is comfortable for the wearer.

A still further object of this invention is to keep the crotch of the pantyhose from distention or sagging.

A still further object of this invention is to keep leg portions of the pantyhose from wrinkling.

A still further object of this invention is to accommodate support hose fabrics and conventional hose fabrics as well as myriad possibilities for seams, panels and the like.

A still further object of this invention is to provide pantyhose which are easy to launder, retain their shapes and are well suited otherwise to their intended function.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

The foregoing and other objects, features and advantages will be seen more fully from an accompanying drawing wherein:

FIG. 1 shows a substantially look away view of a female wearing pantyhose according to this invention.

FIG. 2 is a front view of the pantyhose somewhat folded.

FIG. 3 is a rear view of the pantyhose somewhat folded.

FIG. 4 is a sectional top view (taken along line 4—4 of FIG. 1) through the rear panty portion of the pantyhose on a wearer and showing attachment of the shaping band.

DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

As seen in the drawings, pantyhose according to this invention generally include a panty portion 11 encircling the wearer’s lower torso 12 and having an elastic waist encircling band 13, leg portions 14 and 15, and a crotch 16 as well as a rear panty portion 17.

Preferably the pantyhose are made of a fabric having a low degree of elasticity fabric (such as Monsanto’s MONVELLE) so as to provide support for the wearer’s legs 14, 15 and/or confinement for the wearer’s lower abdomen 18 and derriere (generally designated 19). Unfortunately, desired flattening of the wearer’s lower abdomen 18 tends to produce undesired flattening and concomitant denaturalization of the wearer’s derriere 19.

It is a prime objective of this invention to produce a cheeky relief for the wearer’s derriere 19. Toward this objective an elastic shaping band 21 (substantially more elastic than the elastic fabric from which the panty portion 11 of the pantyhose is made) is connected to the rear panty portion 17 and extends from the vicinity of the crotch 16 to the vicinity 22 of the elastic waist encircling band 13. The elastic shaping band 21 fits between the wearer’s buttocks 23, 24 to accentuate their relief and to give the derriere 19 a cheeky appearance. Thusly positioned between the wearer’s buttocks 23 and 24, the shaping band 21 is concealed from being seen through even the sheerest of outer garments. The shaping band 21 is completely comfortable for the wearer and it extends useful life of the pantyhose through innumerable washings, wearing, etc. in that the shaping band 21 resists distention or sagging of the crotch 16 as well as resisting wrinkling or bagging of the leg portions 14, 15 at their knees 25 and ankles 26.

Those skilled in design and/or making pantyhose will understand that wide deviations may be made from the foregoing description of a preferred embodiment of the invention, without departing from a main theme of invention delineated by claims which follow. By way of example, not by way of limitation, paneling and seaming of the pantyhose lend themselves to myriad combinations. Also combinations of different materials such as nonelastic leg portions 14, 15 with a semielastic panty portion 11 can be employed.

I claim:

1. Pantyhose for a female wearer and comprising: a panty portion made of a fabric having a low-degree of elasticity encircling the wearer’s lower torso and having an elastic waist encircling band, the panty portion including rear panty portion which covers and confines the wearer’s buttocks, leg portions each depending from the panty portion and each arrangeable to receive one of the wearer’s legs, the pantyhose defining a crotch between the leg portions, and an elastic shaping band attached to the rear panty portion centrally thereof and connected from the vicinity of the crotch to the vicinity of the waist band, said elastic shaping band having a high degree of elasticity substantially greater than the fabric of said panty portion, the elasticity of said shaping band being sufficient to constrict said band into fitting engagement between the wearer’s buttocks to produce cheeky relief.

2. The pantyhose of claim 1 with the elastic fabric being a blend of lycra and nylon.

3. The pantyhose of claim 2 with the elastic fabric being a blend of about 50% lycra and about 50% nylon.

4. The pantyhose of claim 1 with the leg portions made of the elastic fabric.

5. The pantyhose of claim 4 with the elastic fabric being a blend of lycra and nylon.

6. The pantyhose of claim 5 with the elastic fabric being a blend of about 50% lycra and about 50% nylon.