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BLUE BACCARA

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Concept: Functional, versatile two- piece swimsuits that fit varying torso lengths. They are also easy to get in and out of for practical ease of dressing. The tank is useful for covering up while leaving the option of discretionary sunbathing. The terry cloth cover-up provides function and versatility. It is a stylized dress used as a towel substitute. The hood provides protection from the sun if necessary; immediate warmth and comfort are also included.

Inspiration: Inspired by my own love of swimming and the beach. The utilitarian trend is also incorporated into the swimming suits in functional pockets and drawstrings.

Description: Royal blue tank swimsuit. Top is cross-back tank and has a pocket with a snap closure in the side front of the tank to put keys, lip balm, shells, coins, or other beach or pool side knickknacks. Bottoms have draw-string tie at the waist. Side of swimsuit bottoms have gathering ties. Terry cloth cover-up is semi-fitted and hooded and has short sleeves with drawstrings in the hems. Neckline is V-shaped with silver snaps for closure at center front.

Technique: Serger was used for attachment of elastic in bathing suits and for edge finishing. Eyelet attacher was used for drawstring ties at the waist of swimsuit. Buttonholes were made for drawstring ties in cover-up. Double needle was used for top stitching on the swimsuit.