

CODENAME

OPERATION PADMÉ

♦ Week by Week ♦

- ▶ EDITION FREE TO SHARE · WEEK BY WEEK
- ▶ SUBJECT Cloth + headdress + makeup
- ▶ SCHEDULE 6 weeks plan
- ▶ BUILD TIME 30-60 hrs
- ▶ FORMAT Do this, then that

**A LONG TIME AGO, IN A WORKSHOP FAR, FAR
AWAY....**

6 WEEKS WEEK BY WEEK

Padmé Amidala – Queen of Naboo, Senator, the woman behind the masks.
Three looks: the red Queen throne gown, the white Geonosis battle
outfit, and the senate robes.

Steady wins. May the Force be with you.



6 WEEKS TO PADMÉ

Weeks 6-5	Pick a look + order fabric / pre-made base; gather makeup if Queen	.
Weeks 4-3	Sew or fit the gown / battle outfit	.
Week 2	Build the headdress (Queen) or do the braided hair (Senator/Geonosis)	.
Week 1.5	Practice the Queen white face paint + red lip + cheek dots	.
Week 1	Dress rehearsal + game day	.
APPENDIX	Quick reference & game day	.

🕒 YOUR FIRST WEEKS — WHERE MOST BUILDS DIE

Nearly every abandoned build dies in the first quarter: parts not ordered, printer not tested, nothing started. Win the first weeks — order everything, print one test piece — and the rest is downhill.



PICK YOUR BAR

*Same royal silhouette, three budgets — from a costume-rental gown to a hand-sewn throne piece. The same build can be finished to three different bars — pick yours **now**, because builders who polish for the wrong one burn weeks.*

LEAN · €120-180

Casual

Reads as Padmé at 5m if you pick the simplest look — go senate robes or the white Geonosis outfit, not the Queen throne gown. Skip the sculpted headdress and hair ornaments; a clean updo and the right silhouette carry it across a room.

EFFORT · ~14 hrs

MID · €200-300

Convention

Reads as Padmé at conversation distance — most builders land here with a properly tailored gown, a foam-and-fabric headdress, and the pale Naboo court makeup with the lower-lip stripe. The structure and the right fabric weight sell it; perfect detailing isn't needed.

EFFORT · ~38 hrs

REBEL LEGION · €400+

Approved

Reads as Padmé under inspection — the red Queen throne gown built to screen reference: layered silks, the gold hairpiece medallions, the orbital-light headdress, and exact face paint with the beauty marks. This is the lifetime piece judged seam by seam.

EFFORT · ~60 hrs



THE FALLBACK PLAN

*A first-time build of this suit is **30–60 hrs** of hands-on work across **6 weeks**. Life happens — so decide right now what gets cut when the clock wins. Finished beats perfect.*

BEHIND EARLY Drop first: No Armour, No Codpiece, No Gloves. Nobody will notice at 5m.

BEHIND LATE Simplify next: Belt / Sash, Sleeves / Sash, Reference & Fit, Trousers / Skirt — buy instead of make, or borrow.

EMERGENCY Every printed part has a buy option. Switching one part to bought can save a whole week.

ALWAYS The final week is for wearing it, not building it — dress rehearsal beats one more coat of paint.

🕒 THE HONEST RULE

If a piece is not started two weeks before the event, it is not in this year's costume. Build it for the next one.



PICK A LOOK + ORDER FABRIC / PRE-MADE BASE; GATHER MAKEUP IF QUEEN

WEEKS 6-5

Pick a look + order fabric / pre-made base; gather makeup if Queen.

PROGRESS · PHASE 1 OF 5 · 20% THROUGH THE PLAN



SEW OR FIT THE GOWN / BATTLE OUTFIT

WEEKS 4 - 3

Sew or fit the gown / battle outfit.

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

CRITICAL Outer Gown / Top — ⌚ 4h · €70

Match the era — these are very different garments.

PROGRESS · PHASE 2 OF 5 · 40% THROUGH THE PLAN



BUILD THE HEADDRESS (QUEEN) OR DO THE BRAIDED HAIR (SENATOR/GEONOSIS)

WEEK 2

Build the headdress (Queen) or do the braided hair (Senator/Geonosis).

PARTS IN PLAY THIS WEEK

CRITICALHeaddress / Hair — ⌚ 10h · €60

The Queen headdress is the most distinctive prequel costume detail. Worth the effort.

PROGRESS · PHASE 3 OF 5 · 60% THROUGH THE PLAN



PRACTICE THE QUEEN WHITE FACE PAINT + RED LIP + CHEEK DOTS

WEEK 1.5

Practice the Queen white face paint + red lip + cheek dots.

PROGRESS · PHASE 4 OF 5 · 80% THROUGH THE PLAN



DRESS REHEARSAL + GAME DAY

WEEK 1

Dress rehearsal + game day.

PROGRESS · PHASE 5 OF 5 · 100% THROUGH THE PLAN



MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU

"So this is how liberty dies... with thunderous applause."

— ALWAYS —

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