

WEST SIDE STORY

COSTUME PLOT

NOTE: It is suggested that the costumes for the Puerto Ricans be in warm colors and cool colors for the Americans. This will help to distinguish between the two groups and was used in the original production.

SCENE: The action takes place on the West Side of New York City during the last days of summer.

ACT I, Scene 1                   The street 5:00 P.M.

THE JETS, RIFF, the leader, TONY, his friend,  
ACTION, A-RAB, BABY JOHN, SNOWBOY, BIG DEAL,  
DIESEL, GEE-TAR, MOUTH PIECE, TIGER, ANYBODYS.....Assorted dungarees, chinos,  
sport & T-Shirts, some wind-  
breaker type jackets, etc.  
Some with JETS on the backs  
Cool colors

THE SHARKS, BERNARDO, the leader, CHINO,  
HIS FRIEND, PEPE, INDIO, LUIS, ANXIOUS,  
NIBBLES, JUANO, TORO, MOOSE.....Dressed similar to the Jets  
only in warm and garrish  
colors, styles, etc. to  
stimulate a latin flavor

KRUPKE.....Summer Police uniform, hat  
SCHRANK(plainclothesman).....Summer suit, hat

ACT I, Scene II               A yard 5:30 P.M.  
ALL REPEAT

ACT I, Scene 3               Bridalshop, 6:00 P.M.

MARIA.....White party dress, slim (supposedly remade from  
a communion dress)  
ANITA.....Simple summer dress

ACT I, Scene 4               The gym 10:00 P.M.

SHARK GIRLS: ROSALIA, CONSUELO, TERESITA,  
FRANCISCA, ESTELLA, MAGUERITA.....Warm overdone dance dresses  
summer

JET GIRLS: GRAZIELLA, VELMA, MINNIE,  
CLARICE, PAULINE.....Cool colors, summer dance  
dresses

SHARK BOYS.....Stylized jackets in warm color  
alike or similar

JET BOYS.....Same as above only cool colors  
GLAD HAND.....Summer Suit

ACT I, Scene 5               A back alley 11:00 P.M.  
ALL REPEAT

ACT I, Scene 6               A drugstore, Midnight

DOC (owner).....Druggist's jacket, pants  
ALL OTHERS REPEAT

ACT I, Scene 7 Bridal Shop. The next day 5:50 P.M.

ANITA.....Simple dress, smock  
MARIA.....Simple dress, smock  
TONY.....Optional change or repeat I,1

Assorted dresses, suits for props

ACT I, Scene 8 The neighborhood 6:00 to 9:00 P.M.

JETS & SHARKS.....Repeat I,1  
ALL OTHERS REPEAT

ACT I, Scene 9 Under the highway 9:00 P.M.

ALL REPEAT

ACT II, scene 1 The bedroom 9:15 P.M.

ALL REPEAT

ACT II, Scene 1 The Bedroom Same

CONSUELO.....Loud sexy summer dress  
ROSALIA.....Loud summer dress  
MARIA.....Bright, festive dress, bathrobe  
CHINO.....Torn dirty duplicate of I,9  
TONY.....Torn dirty duplicate of I,9  
CHORUS....."Dream Sequence" Optional change to similar costumes in pastels or repeat.

ACT II, Sscene 11 Back Alley 10:00 P.M.

ALL REPEAT

ACT II, Scene 3 The bedroom 11:30 P.M.

ANITA.....Optional change  
MARIA.....Slip  
Schrank.....Another summer suit

ACT II, Scene 4 The drugstore 11:40 P.M.

ALL REPEAT

ACT II, Scene 5 The Cellar

ALL REPEAT

ACT II, Scene 6 The street Midnight

MARIA.....Optional change, add shawl  
ALL OTHERS REPEAT