

Love Bear

Beginner seamstress



Through wise shopping and watching for sales the cost for the materials for this bear are approximately \$1.00 per bear.

Suggested Materials

Fleece. 1/3 yard of 66" wide fleece will make three bears

Stuffing. Amounts may vary depending on how tight the bear is stuffed and the quality of stuffing. A 20 ouch bag of Polyester Fiberfill will make approximately 12 bears.

Pom Poms. Each bear needs a 1" pom pom for the tail and a 1/2" pom pom for the nose.

Felt. Small amounts of red and black for the heart and eyes.

Matching Thread. Match the thread to the heart and muzzle when whip stitching them to the bear.





1 Copy the bear pattern onto cardstock and cut it out on the solid line. Place the pattern onto two layers of fleece that are right sides together and mark the outline of the bear. The cardstock will allow many bears to be marked quickly. Sew right on the marked line and cut the bear out adding 1/4" seam allowance.



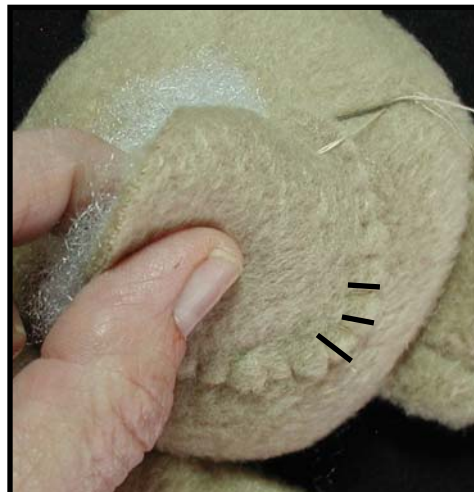
2 Make a slit in the middle of the head of the bear through one layer of fabric. Turn the bear right side out through that slit. Stuff the feet, arms and ears, keeping the stuffing away from the place where these parts meet the body. Top stitch around the tummy of the bear. The pattern shows the location of that top stitching. The stuffing in the ears is only out to the edges. Top stitch the inside of the ear and the area where the ear meets the head. The location of this stitching is also shown on the pattern. This stitching shapes the bear and needs to follow the lines on the pattern as closely as possible.



3 Stuff the tummy of the bear. Next, machine top stitch the lower edge of the bear head. Use the location of this stitch line as shown on the pattern as well.



4 Stuff the head and hand whip stitch the slit in the bear face closed.



5 Cut out the muzzle, heart, and ear color, using the patterns. The heart and ears are felt and the muzzle is the same fleece fabric as the bear. Whip stitch the shapes to the bear. Add a little stuffing behind the heart and muzzle before the shape is completely closed. The whip stitches that show should be perpendicular to the shape edge and even in length and distance apart. Sew a 1" black pom pom to the seat of the bear for the tail.



6 Sew a 1/2" pom pom to the top of the muzzle for the bear nose. Cut the eyes from black felt and whip stitch them to the bear face, using black thread. To make eye lids, cut half circle of fleece and whip stitch the rounded edge to the face so the straight edge covers about 1/3" of the felt eyes. With double matching thread take a few stitches for the mouth and pull it tight into the muzzle. Anchor this thread above the nose and knot the thread to hold the mouth shape. Make two French Knots with white embroidery floss for the shine of the eyes.

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Small dashed line
indicates muzzle and
heart placemnt.
Large dashed line
indicates top stitching.

