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Hello friends!

Please read through the instructions carefully before you start making your own

FOX PINCUSHION

LIST OF SUPPLIES:

-  Beige or White felt – 6 x 6inch -15 X 15 cm (wool felt recommended)
-  Dark orange (or whatever color you like) felt – 9 x 12inch -23 X 30 cm (wool felt recommended)
-  Scrap of Brown (or whatever color you like) felt for the ears 2 x 2 inch – 5 x 5 cm
-  Stuffing (anti-allergy polyfill, wool, etc.)
-  Pink colored pencil (pastel) for cheeks
-  Black embroidery thread
-  White or beige embroidery thread

SEWING SUPPLIES:

-  Thread to match fabrics
-  Needles for embroidery
-  Dressmaker's scissors
-  Pins
-  Needles for hand sewing
-  Stuffing tools such as a wooden spoon, stinging needle or chopstick
-  Disappearing ink marker (heat sensitive) and chalk
-  Ruler
-  Iron
-  Print only pattern from page 18;
-  The test square is on the page 19.

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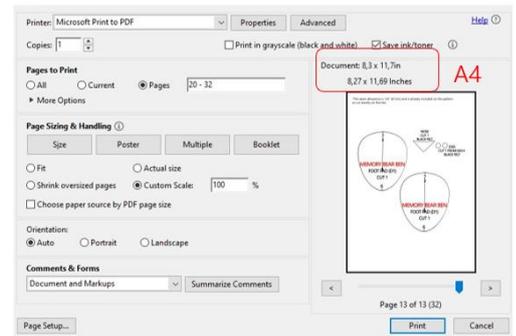


01. PRINT AT HOME

- Before you print all the pattern pieces, find your TEST SQUARE (in the pattern). This is ALWAYS the first page to print so you can check that your printer is printing your pattern accurately.
- I use a 1x1 inch (2,5x2,5cm) teste square, and it is very important that the measure match 1 inch, if they don't, you NEED to reprint.
- After you double-check that the size is correct, you can print the rest of the pattern.

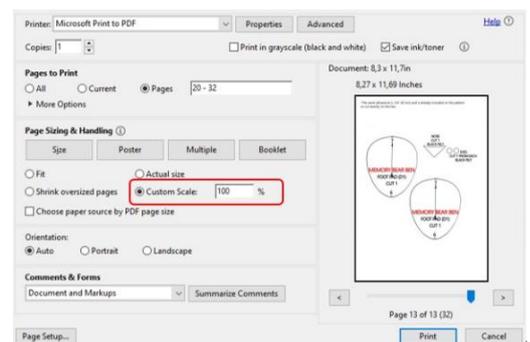
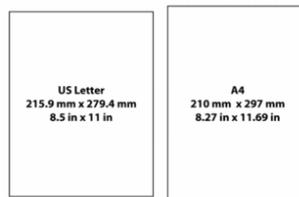
- PRINTING -

- Open the PDF, making sure you are opening the correct one if your purchase came with multiple files.
- Download the PDF to your computer. If you print from the browser your pattern can print too small (This is very important, or it can change the size of your document).
- After you choose File>Print and your print dialogue box opens, always choose Custom Scale: 100% or No Scaling (depending on your software). If you do not choose 100% Scale or No Scaling, your pattern will print out at the wrong size.



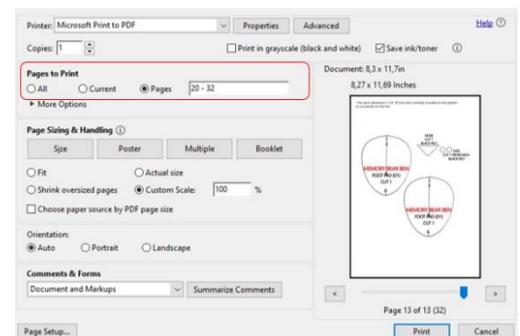
- PAPER SIZE -

- I make all patterns in A4 size. Make sure your printer settings match the A4 paper size and that the paper size you are using is A4. The difference between the US letter and the A4 size of the paper is small, but it will create a problem when printing.
- If you are using the US Letter size of the paper, you need to adjust the size by yourself. The best is to adjust the percentage (%) slowly on Custom Scale so you don't resize it too much.



- PAGES TO PRINT -

- You can also set a specific page range if your instructions and pattern pieces are all in one file and you want to skip printing the instructions.
- If you still have any questions about printing please feel free to contact me.



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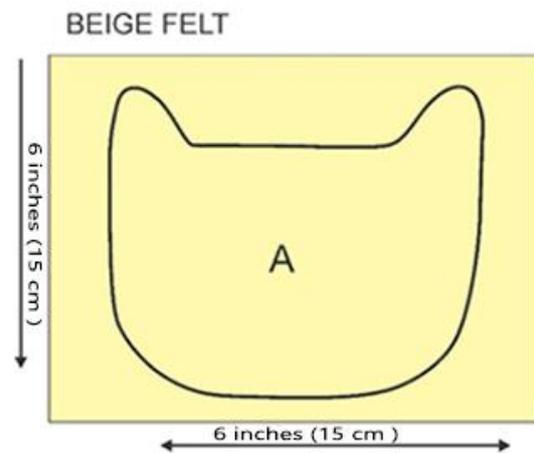
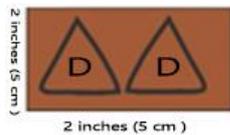
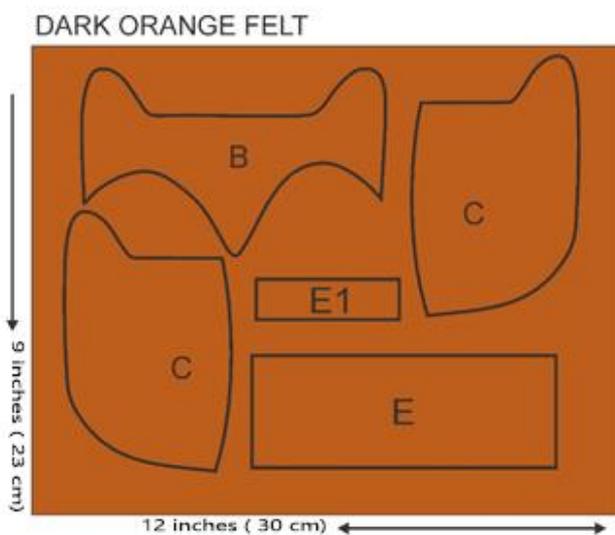
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02. DRAWING AND TAILORING

-  Print and cut out all paper pattern pieces.
-  At each pattern piece, you have the exact number of how many pieces you need to cut out from the fabric. Seams are included.
-  Place pattern pieces onto the felt fabric so that the arrow is placed in the same direction-downwards.
-  Trace pattern pieces onto the wrong side of the open felt with your disappearing ink marker. In case you make a mistake, you only need to iron it for the ink to disappear.



FOX PARTS	LETTER MARK	PIECES YOU NEED
HEAD FRONT	A	1
FOREHEAD	B	1
HEAD BACK	C	2
INNER EARS	D	2
PINCUSHION BRACELET	E	1
BRACELET LOOP	E1	1

NOTE:

You need to draw each mark from a pattern, this will be your guide for connecting parts when sewing.

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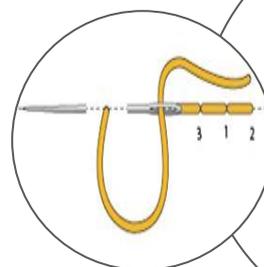
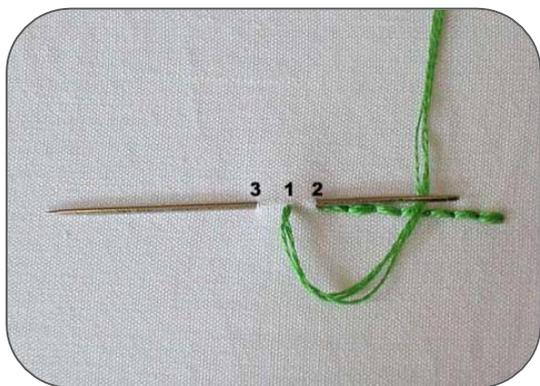
03. SEWING

Please **NOTE:** Fox pincushion is embroidered and stitched all by hand. For sewing fox, we are going to use regular sewing thread doubled (or you can use strong upholstery thread knotted at one end). And, for embroidering facial features, we are going to use **BLACK** embroidery thread. Use max. 20-25-inch-long thread.

 Stitches should be small. The seam allowance is about 1/6 inch. Always keep your stitches and the space between them the same length. Be consistent with your sewing tension.

Stitches we are going to use:

BACK STITCH Video tutorial for Back Stitch: <https://youtu.be/ZrPCtNS913Q>



THE BACK STITCH

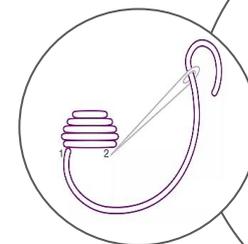
Work from right to left.

Bring needle up at 1 and back down at 2.

Move left and bring needle up at 3, then back down at 1.

TIP: MAKE SHORTER STITCHES FOR CURVED LINES AND SHAPES.

SATIN STITCH Video tutorial for Satin Stitch: <https://youtu.be/VsL0DYfs0CI>



SATIN STITCH

Bring the needle up through the fabric at your starting point. Insert the needle again across from your original entry point, on the opposite side of the shape you are filling. Bring the needle up on the side of the shape where you started and go back down on the opposite side.

Repeat the process to make additional stitches, always coming up and going back down on the opposite side from where your needle came up or went down.

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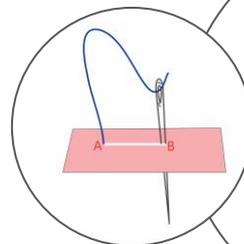
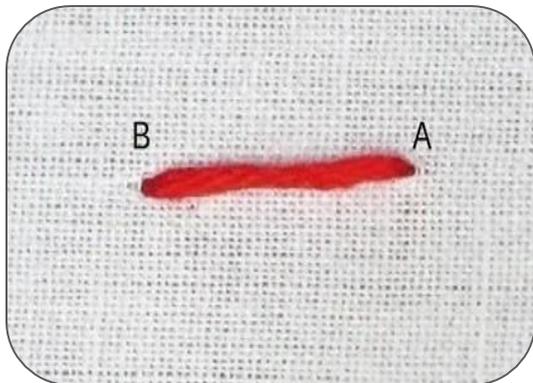


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STRAIGHT STITCH Video tutorial for Straight stitch: <https://youtu.be/hhmP2g9KDXA>



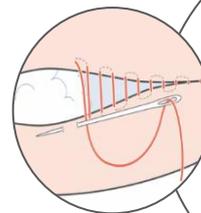
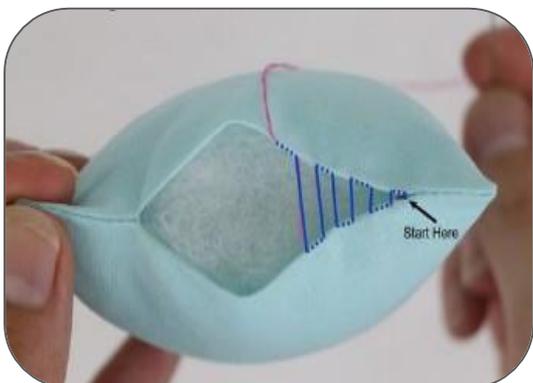
STRAIGHT STITCH

First, start by bringing the needle up at point A. Then take it down at your desired distance at point B.

Pull down the thread. You have made a straight stitch from point A to Point B.

You can either knot the thread at the back and cut the thread or make as many straight stitches as you like.

LADDER STITCH Video tutorial for the Ladder stitch: <https://youtu.be/Vp24VoZ1zeg>



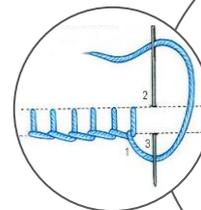
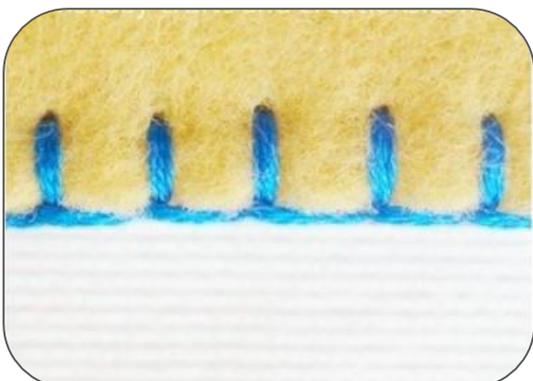
LADDER STITCH

Bring needle up at 1 and through the fabric a short distance to 2, keeping the thread hidden under the fabric (dashed lines).

Bring needle over to 3 and repeat.

Only the vertical stitches should show on the front of the fabric. Stitches indicated by dashed lines will be hidden in the base fabric, or in the folds of the appliqué.

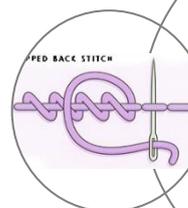
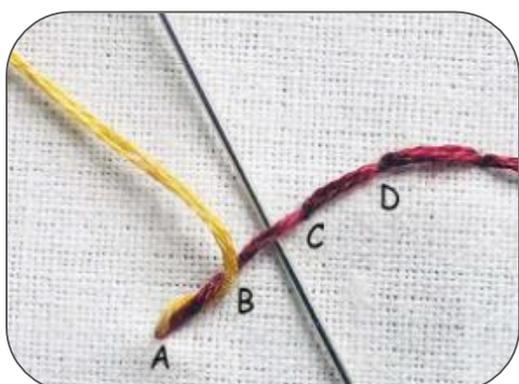
BLANKET STITCH



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Work from left to right. Bring the needle up at 1, down at 2 and up at 3, keeping the thread looped under the needle. Pull the thread through and shape stitch as desired. Tip: For an even line of stitching keep the height of the stitches even throughout

WHIPPED BACK STITCH



WHIPPED BACK STITCH

Take another thread and needle and bring it out through A. Pass the needle under the stitch A-B, from above. Do not pluck the fabric underneath. Similarly, pass the needle under the stitch B-C, from above. Continue this process of taking the needle under each Back-stitch foundation to give it a twining effect..

NOTE: be careful not to pull the thread too tight.

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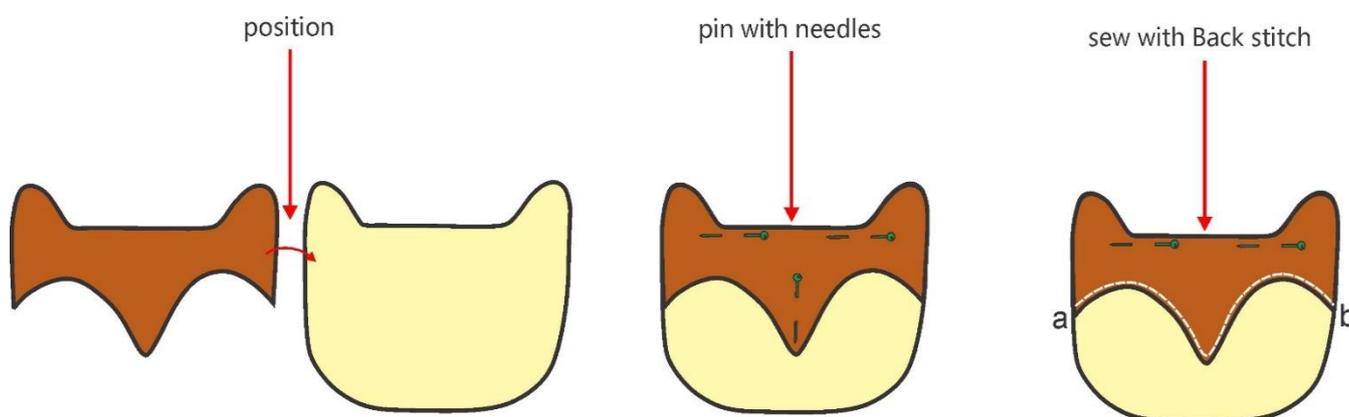
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- SEWING FOREHEAD TO THE HEAD -

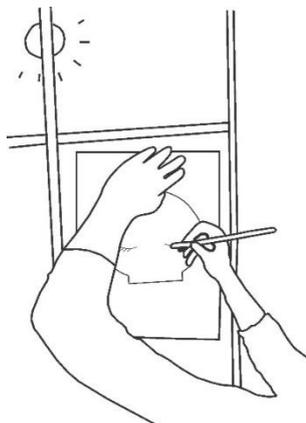
- Position forehead (B) piece onto face (A), center notches should match. Pin and sew with Back stitch and matching sewing thread knotted at one end.
- Sew only at the face (a to b), you will sew around the head later when connecting to the back of the head.



- Next, we are going to draw the face but we will embroider it later.
- You can transfer facial features in two ways: 1. if you can see through the felt, and 2. if you can't see through

- TRANSFER FACIAL FEATURES 1.way

- After sewing the Front Head part, we are going to draw the face of our fox.
- To see the facial features more easily, tape the paper pattern and sewn head part onto a window (or you can use light box or computer screen as well). It's much more visible and faster.
- Position sewed head part onto Face pattern piece and trace the facial features onto the fabric with your disappearing ink marker.
- Make sure to fit all the notches and the face opening.



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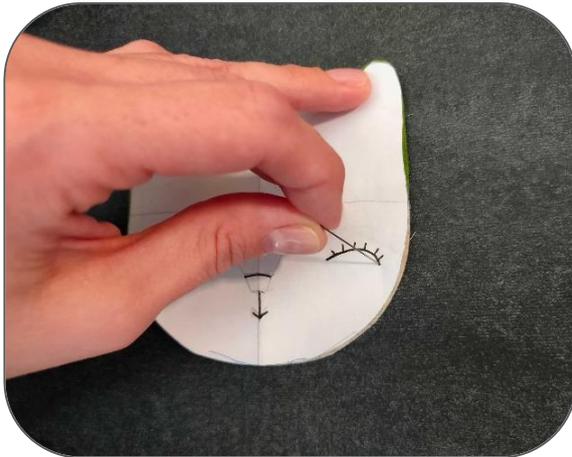
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- TRANSFER FACIAL FEATURES 2.way

- 🦊 Align fabric Head front and paper Head front pattern together. All the notches must match.
- 🦊 Mark the place for the facial features using your needle pin and disappearing ink marker (as shown in the photo below).



- 🦊 Use the same transferring method for the inner ears and forehead hairs placement.

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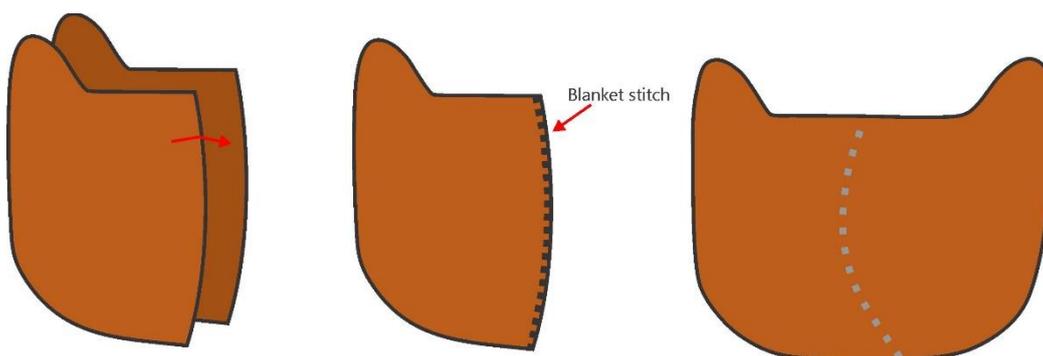
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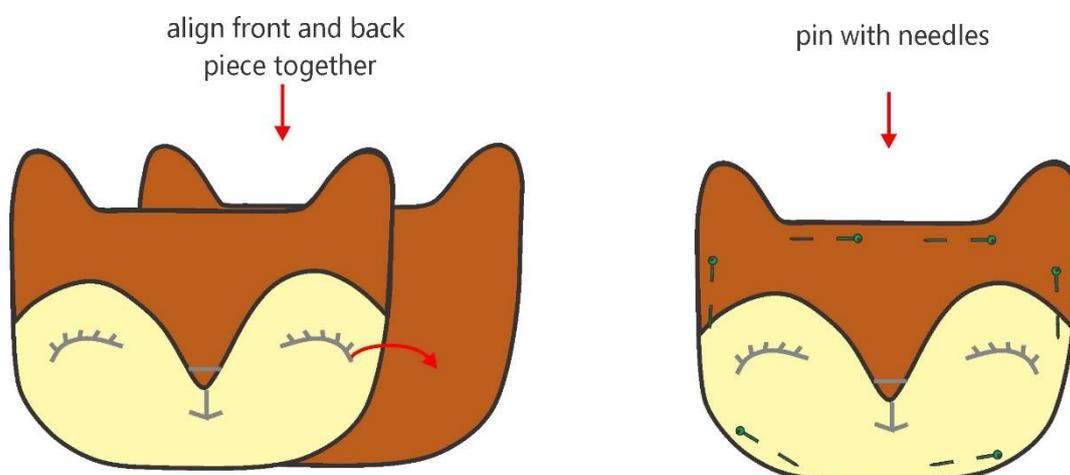
- HEAD BACK -

- Place the two pieces of the head back (C) wrong side facing. Pin them and sew along the edge of the head back piece only using Blanket Stitch and matching sewing thread - doubled. We are sewing on the right side of the fabric.



- SEWING HEAD FRONT AND HEAD BACK TOGETHER -

- Now, when you have all parts prepared, align the front and back of the head together. First, pin the top and the bottom of the head by the marks, and then arrange and pin all the fabric from the back of the head to fit the front. All the marks shall match, wrong sides facing (you are sewing on the right side).



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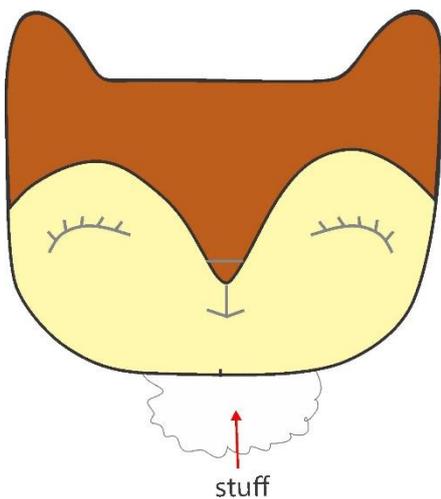
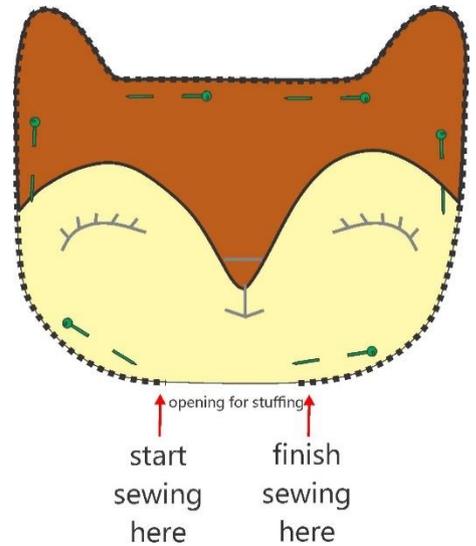


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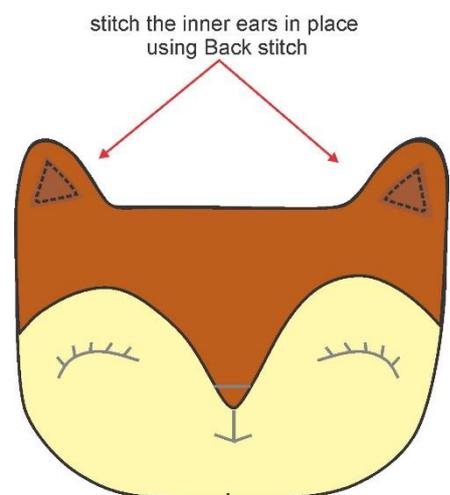


- 🦊 You are going to use two colors of sewing thread for the head. At the beige (white) part of the head use the beige (white) thread and for the orange use matching sewing thread.
- 🦊 Double the thread. If you are using upholstery thread then knot one end only.
- 🦊 You will start and end your sewing at the bottom of the face. When you come to the end of sewing, don't cut the thread yet, you will use it to close the head after stuffing.
- 🦊 Stitch the head shapes together using a Blanket Stitch, sewing through all layers of felt. You have to keep in mind that the front and back need to look neat.
- 🦊 You are sewing on the front side of the face.



- 🦊 Stuff the head to be firm. Keep in mind to push the stuffing down from both the front and backside to distribute stuffing evenly. Make sure you do not have the knobs because it won't look nice. Use your chopstick to help you push the stuffing in.

- 🦊 Next, position the inner ears in place and Stitch using Back stitch and matching thread.



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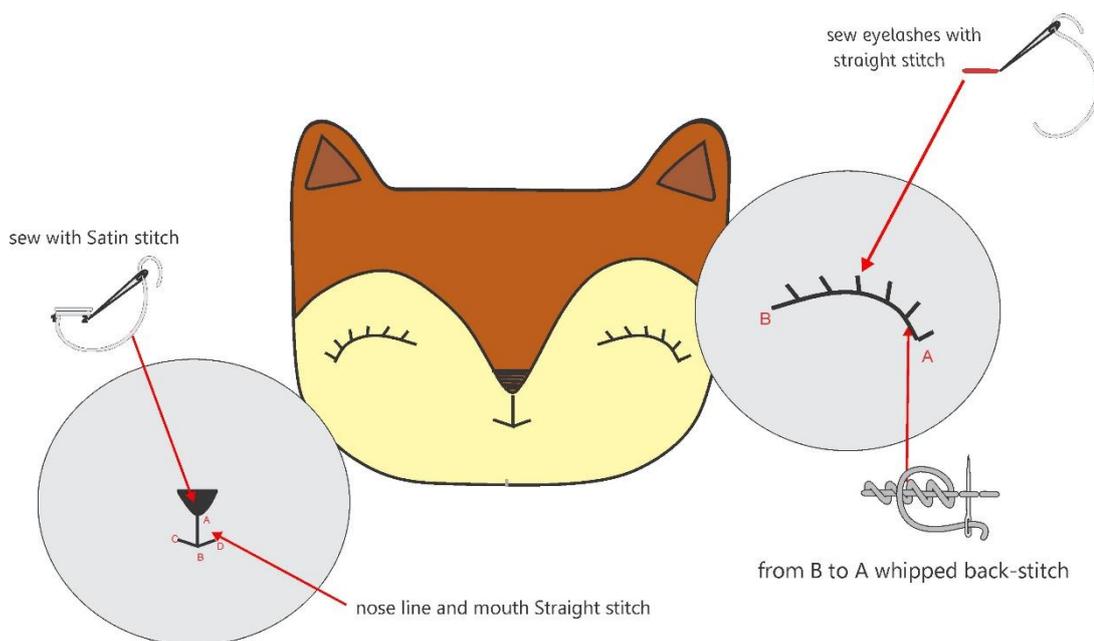
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04. FACE EMBROIDERY



- Take the doll needle threaded with approx. 10-inch long thread. Use 2 strands of black embroidery thread knotted at one end for the nose, nose line, mouth and eyelashes. For the eyelid use 4 strands of thread knotted at one end (I use black DMC #310). For the hairs at the forehead use all 6 strands of beige embroidery thread knotted at one end (I use beige DMC #739).



- First, push the needle through the head opening, aim to come out at the mark for the nose.
- As you pull the thread through, the knot will catch in the stuffing. And when you want to finish come out of the opening in the fox head. Tie a few knots and cut the excess thread off. The stuffing will hold the thread in place.

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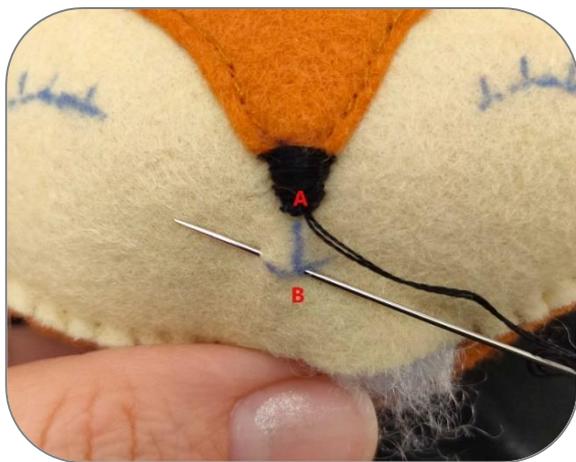
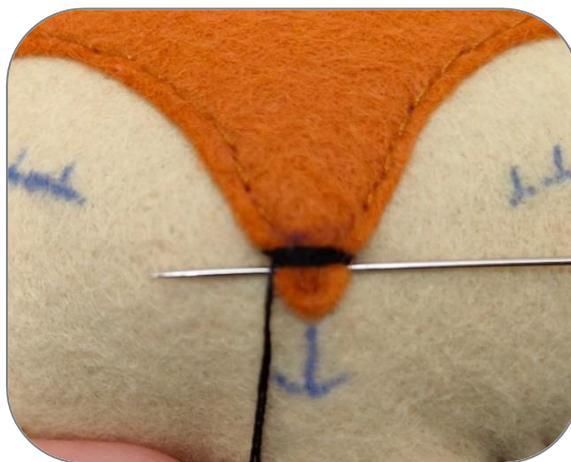
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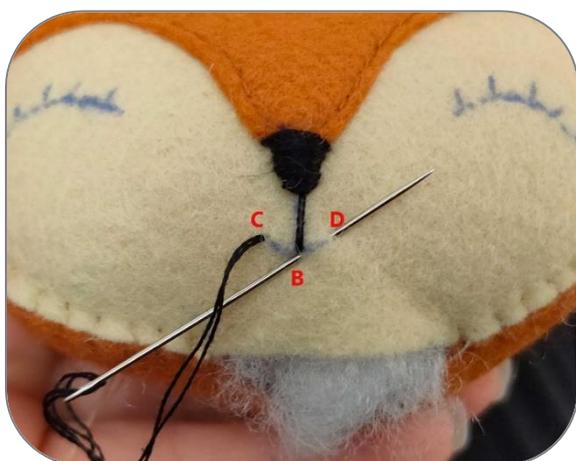


TIP: Always keep your stitches the same length, and be consistent with your sewing tension. Use a longer needle to push the thread through the head opening and before embroidering switch to a regular-sized needle.

🐾 Using Satin stitch embroider the nose working from left to right, working neatly and evenly and keeping your stitches close together. Don't pull the thread too tight or you'll bunch up the nose.



🐾 When you reach the end at the nose, make one straight stitch from the outside for the nose line (to point B)



🐾 Go from B through the stuffing to point C. Then take your needle from the outside to the point B, and from point B through the stuffing to point D.

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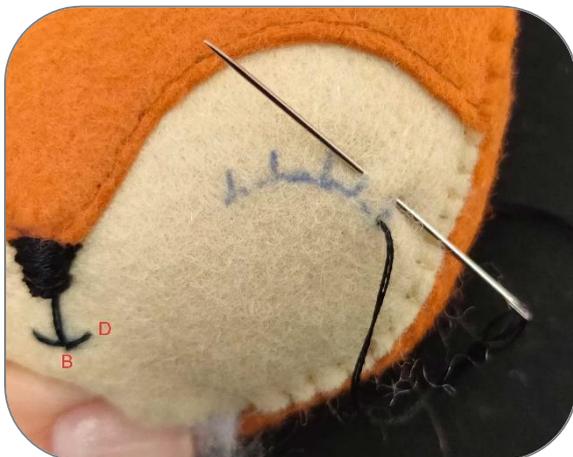


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- Go from point D from the outside to the point B, and from point B go through the stuffing to the outside of the eye and make one straight stitch for each eyelash.



- After you finish the eyelashes at one eye, go through the stuffing to the other eye and repeat the process.



- After you finish with eyelashes, go through the stuffing and out. Make a few knots and trim the excess thread off.
- Next, we are going to outline the eyelid using Backstitch (from A to B), and 4 strands of black embroidery thread.
- When you back stitch from A to B, go back from B to A using Whipped stitch.



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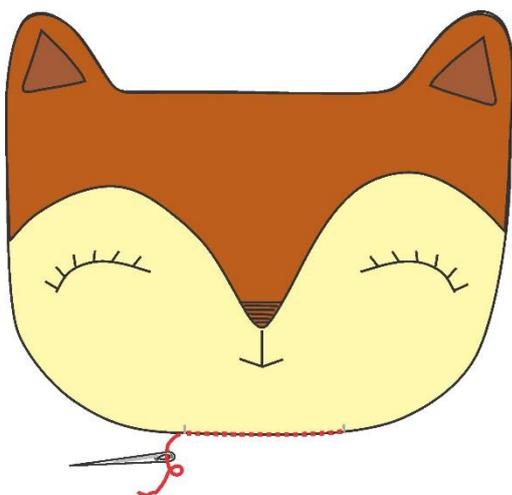
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🦊 To add hairs to her forehead, use all 6 strands of beige embroidery thread and Straight stitch.

🦊 When you've done with embroidering facial features, close the opening in the head with the Blanket stitch. Add more stuffing while sewing and stitch it closed. The pincushion needs to have one compact rounded shape when you are finished.

🦊 When you come to the end of sewing, make a knot and hide the thread by popping the knot through the material and out of the fabric. The excess thread should disappear back inside the pincushion.



🦊 And for the last touch at the face, use your orange/pink colored pencil to add some color to her cheeks. (I usually use two shades to blend in better).

TIP: use your hairdryer to remove the traces of disappearing ink pen.

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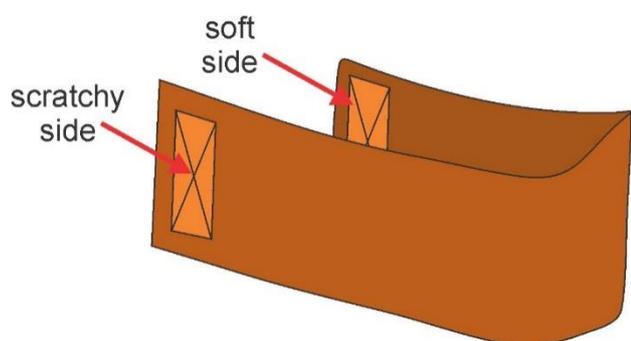
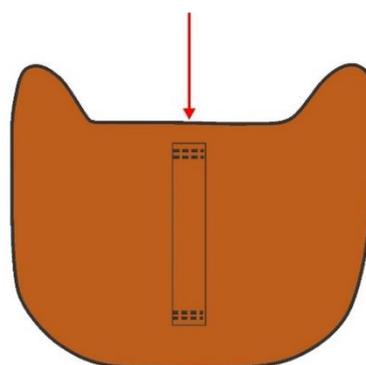
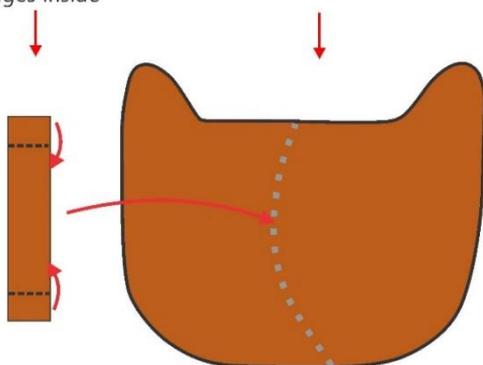
04. PINCUSHION BRACELET

- Use your paper pattern to tailor the bracelet (E) and bracelet loop (E1) piece.
- Take your bracelet loop piece (E1) and fold the edges for about 1/4 inches (0.7 cm).
- Position the bracelet loop on the back of the fox pincushion (folded edges down).
- Pin with needles and stitch the upper and bottom of the loop with two rows of Back stitches. Place the rows close together. Use matching thread double knotted, and if you are using upholstery thread knotted at one end.

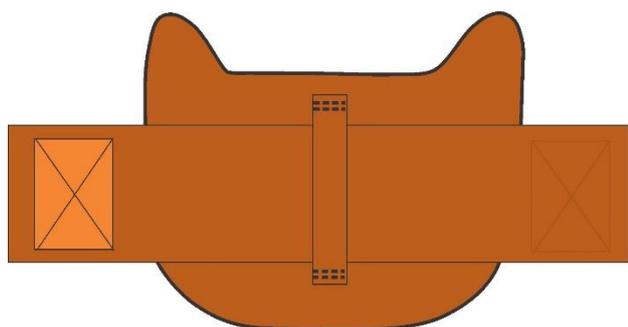
fold the
edges inside

position loop at center of the back

stitch with two rows of Back stitches



- Next, measure your wrist and position the Velcro tape on the bracelet piece (E) to each end where the marks are.
- You can stitch the Velcro tape in the place using Back stitches or you can also use your sewing machine. Be careful to match the pair (soft and scratchy side).



- Pull the bracelet piece through the loop and you have your pincushion with bracelet finished.

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WELL DONE!

CONGRATULATIONS!

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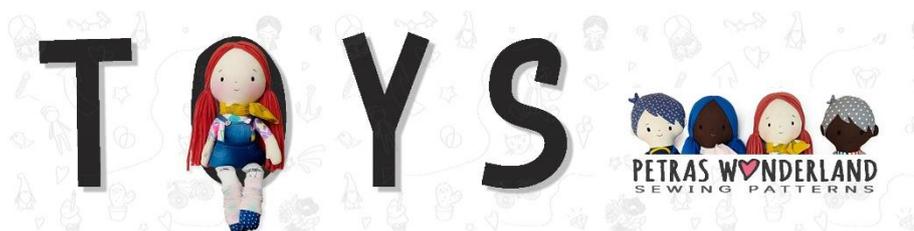
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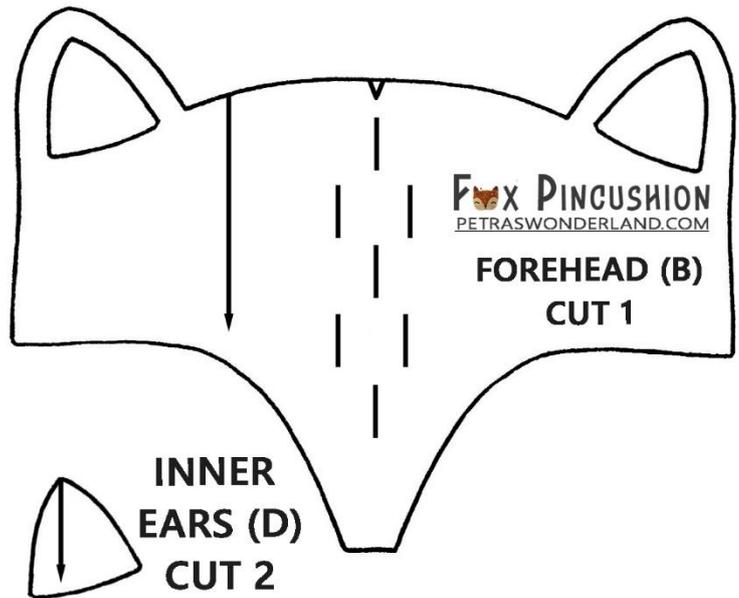
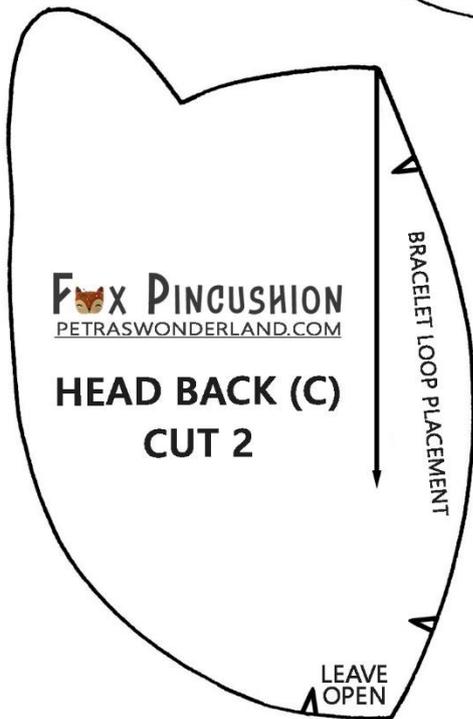
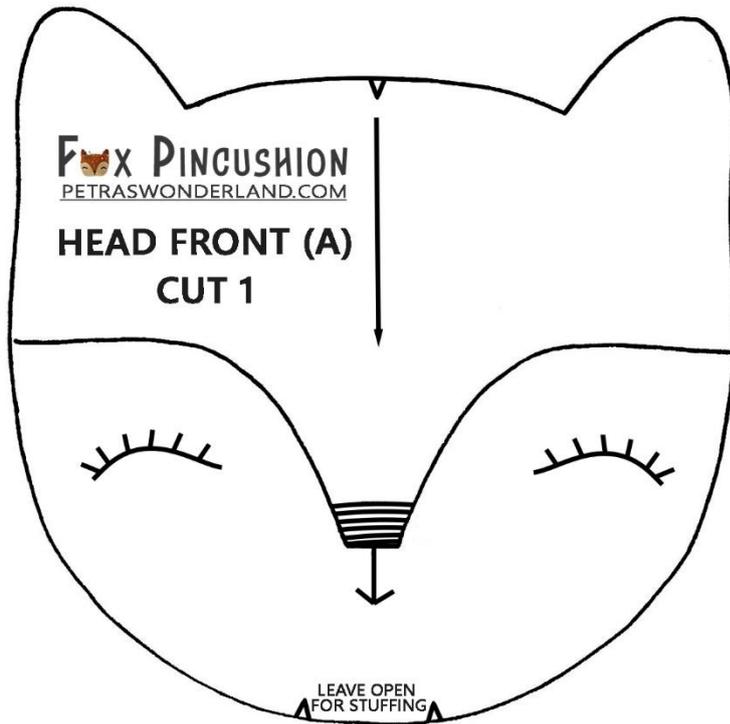
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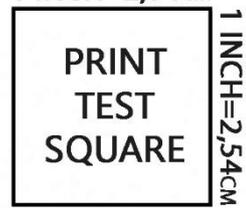
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