

Bunny

A sewing pattern for mini stitchers by Jen Hogg

This rabbit is sewn by hand, with details added in permanent marker and a button tail. An adult should check that the button is securely attached to avoid any choking hazard.

Pattern to be printed at 100% (no scaling)

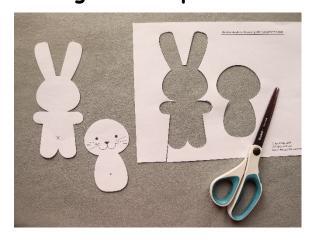
Supporting video online

What you will need

- Felt for the bunny, at least 15cm x 20cm, and matching thread
- A button for the tail, about 1.5cm or 2cm wide
- A black permanent marker to draw on the eyes
- Some dark thread for the whiskers
- A red or dark pink colouring pencil
- Some stuffing



Cutting out the pattern



Print the pattern and carefully cut out round the bunny shapes.

Put the pattern shapes on top of your felt and draw round them, then cut them out.





You can draw round the pattern pieces with a felt tip pen.

When you cut out the felt, try to cut right beside your pen line so that you don't have pen on your bunny shapes once you're finished.

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Pieces and the pen lines will disappear.

Making the bunny face

Make the face first. Draw on the eyes, nose and mouth with the permanent marker.

You can use the face on the paper pattern as a guide for where the eyes and nose should go, but it's not very important, all bunnies are slightly different and yours will have a unique face.



Try out your colouring pencil on a scrap bit of felt first.





Use the colouring pencil to add rosy cheeks.
You can also add some colour to the ears.

It's usually easier if you dip the pencil in a little bit of water.

Sew the whiskers on with dark thread.

There's a video about this on the website

Tie a knot at the end of your thread.

Push the needle through from the back of the bunny to the front, where you want the first whisker to start.

Stitch 3 whiskers, then make your needle dance on the spot! Sew three tiny stitches on top of each other on the back of the bunny to finish off.



Adding the tail



Sew the button onto the bunny's bottom! It's much easier to do this before you sew the two sides of the bunny together.

It won't matter if you're stitching isn't very neat on the other side of the felt because that's going to be hidden inside the bunny anyway.

Sewing the bunny together

Lay the two sides of the bunny together and hold them in place with two safety pins







Start beside one arm and use little stitches to sew right round the head and the tummy, stopping when you're 2cm away from where you started. Don't cut your thread yet though.

Put a little bit of stuffing inside the bunny's head and tummy. You won't need very much.

Wiggle it into place until you like the look of the bunny.

Make sure you push some stuffing into

Then finish off your stitching. end of your pencil for this.

NEXT UP - using the sewing machine to make a bag with a pocket for your bunny