

CoolCrafting Love Birds

You will need 2 contrasting colours of felt, 2 colours of thread, 4 cut felt flower shapes, or buttons, 4 pom pom flowers or similar, 2 pieces of ribbon, 4 doll buttons,

You will also need scissors and a pencil, needle, 6 pins, stuffing

You have enough felt to make two birds.
First read through this little book of instructions – ask an adult to help if you are unsure.

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Cutting Out

You may need to press your instructions, pattern and felt with a warm iron to flatten out the creases.

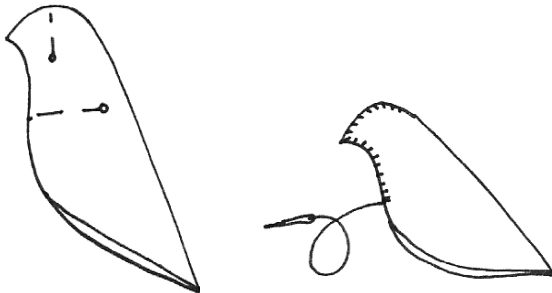
Cut out your paper pattern pieces carefully using scissors. You can choose the colours but we made one bird with an upper body and wings in colour A and the lower body in colour B. And then another bird with an upper body and wings in colour B and the lower body in colour A.

Pin your pattern pieces onto the felt and cut carefully around the shapes. You will need one upper body, one lower body and two wings for each bird. Mark the notches with a pencil onto the fabric.

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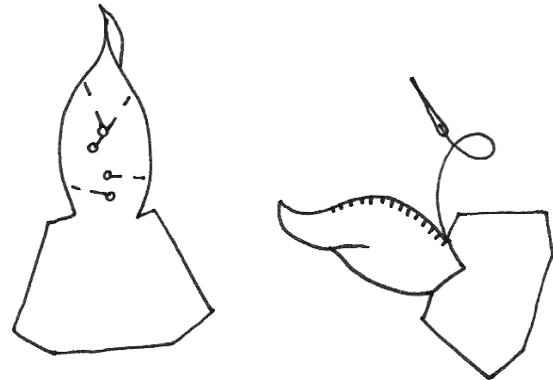
Making Up

Fold the upper body in half and pin the head and beak together, matching the edges together. Now using an over stitch (about ¼ cm deep) start at the top of the head and stitch around the head, beak and stop at the first mark you made.



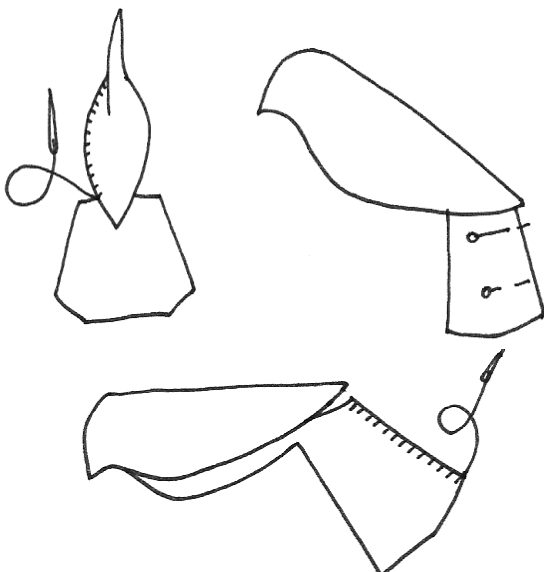
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Take the pins out and open up the upper body and pin the lower body to it around the curves up to the next mark you have – see the picture. Now sew around one side.



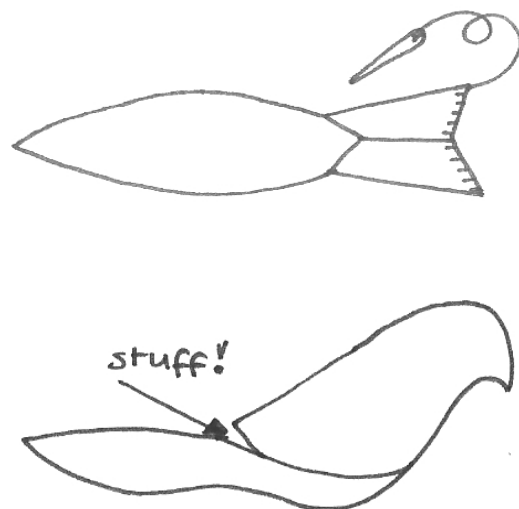
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Sew the other side the same way. Remove the pins and now match up the tail edge as the picture. Pin and then sew along the long tail edge.



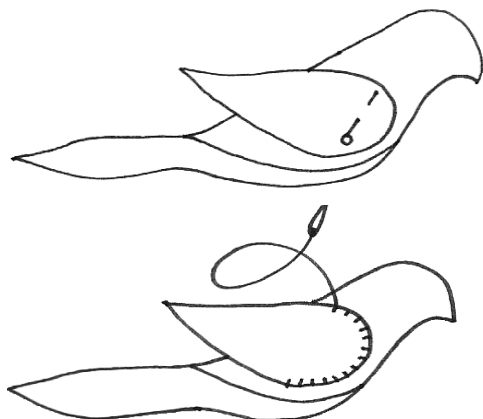
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Flatten the tail out, pin and then sew the tail end. All of the outside of the bird is now sewn and you have a V opening to insert the stuffing in. Use a pencil to push small bits of stuffing through the opening into the body and tail.



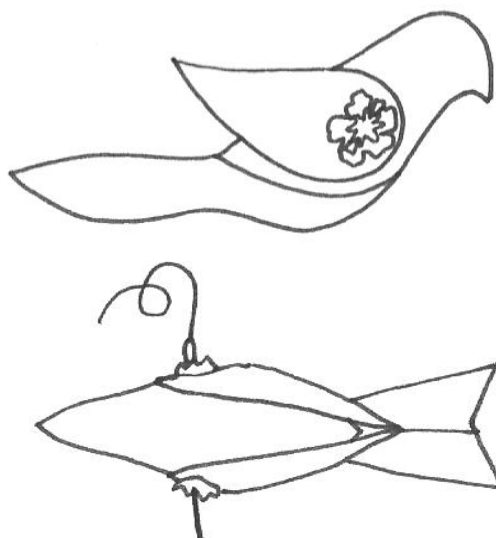
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Over sew the V opening once you are happy that your love bird is the right shape. Now pin both of your wings on, one on each side of the bird. Then over stitch the curve of the wing onto the body of the bird - like in our picture



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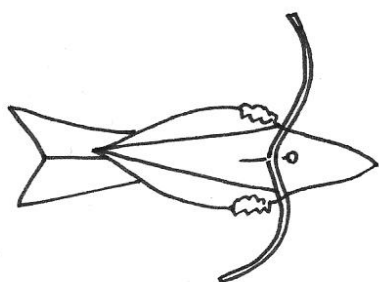
Now decorate the wings with flower shapes, buttons or embroidery.



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Finishing Off

Join the wing tips with a small stitch. Now fold your ribbon in half and make a soft crease using your fingers. Place the crease in the centre of the back of the bird, as in our picture, and then sew securely in place.



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We threaded some bells onto the ribbon but you could use beads or keep the ribbon plain. Now knot the ends of the ribbon together to finish your bird.



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Sew the doll buttons on as eyes on with double thread and your needle.

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Coo Coo! You have a cute new friend. But you can make her a friend too or a flock.

Your birds can also be filled with lavender to smell good. They can be used as tree decorations, or just things to make you smile.

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