

Make your own

# HALLOZWEEN POPPET



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# WHAT YOU NEED

- Pen and paper for template
- Coloured felt
- Sewing pins
- Needle and thread
- Scissors
- Embroidery floss
- Wool for hair
- Stuffing
- Safety pins, buttons, twine and other adornments



## STEP 1

Feel free to make your poppet any size, shape or colour that you want.

Firstly, create a template on a sheet of paper, then cut it out. It doesn't need to be realistic or proportional to a real person. We have included a template on the last page to get you started.

Secure the template to two sheets of felt with sewing pins. Keep the pins inside the template. Cut around the template, then remove it and the pins.



## STEP 2

Sew the details you want onto the felt. These might include buttons for eyes, a felt heart, a mouth, cheeks, scars, etc. Tie a knot into the thread and start from the back. Always check where the needle comes out at the front to ensure correct placement. Make small, even stitches, unless you are going for a ragged, uneven look! When finished, tie off on the reverse side. We use 2-3 lengths of embroidery floss as our thread for clear, defined stitches.



## STEP 3

Hold the two pieces of felt together (or pin them). Start sewing the two pieces together (in-between the two pieces), just under the left arm, working around the arm and up towards the head.

Push your needle through the front piece, around both pieces to the back and then through both pieces to the front again.

Continue sewing both pieces together.

Use small even stitches.

Continue sewing around the body. You may wish to stuff with a cotton or synthetic stuffing as you go. Be very careful stuffing as felt can tear.



## STEP 4

Leave a small gap as you near your starting point to stuff the body, if you haven't already, then sew up the gap and tie off. If you want to include hair, thread wool in a woollen needle and sew lengths of wool between your stitches on the head.

## STEP 5

Adorn your poppet with bandages, hairclips, pins, as you like.



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