

Blossom the Bear

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Materials:

- ◆ Rainbow Shaggy Plush Felt™ (You may also use Rainbow Plush Felt™): 1/3 yard or (2) 18" x 22 1/2" Brown Sugar craft cut (or color of your choice) for body
1/8 yard or (1) 18" x 22 1/2" Creamy White craft cut (or color of your choice) for face and belly
- ◆ 1" x 20" remnant of fabric or ribbon
- ◆ Poly-pellets® by Fairfield
- ◆ Poly-Fil® by Fairfield
- ◆ 7mm black pom-pom
- ◆ Black embroidery thread
- ◆ Doll needle
- ◆ Powder Blush (optional)
- ◆ Hot glue gun / glue sticks
- ◆ Black thread

Read all instructions carefully before beginning. Instructions are for smaller bear which measures 8" in length from tip of ear to toe. Enlarge pattern 200% for larger bear which measures 16" in length from tip of ear to toe.

WRST = With Right Sides Together

RSO = Right Sides Out.

Instructions:

Step 1. BODY - Using a double thickness of Brown Sugar Shaggy Plush Felt, trace around pattern on wrong side of one layer of felt. WRST sew along traced lines. Cut out body by cutting 1/4" from stitching. Clip inward corners. Cut a slit between circles through one layer of felt only. Turn RSO through slit. Stuff each leg half full with Poly-Fil®. Sew along dashed lines between legs and body. Fill bottom with 1/4 cup of Poly-pellets®. Stuff remaining body with Poly-Fil®. Hand-sew opening closed.

Step 2. ARMS - WRST, use a double thickness of Brown Sugar Shaggy Plush Felt. On wrong side of one piece of felt, trace around pattern. Invert pattern and trace around for other arm. WRST sew along traced lines. Cut out arms 1/4" from stitching. Cut a small slit between circles through one layer of felt only. Turn RSO through slit and stuff arms half full with Poly-Fil®. Hand-sew openings closed. Thread doll needle with a long piece of double strand thread. Knot ends together leaving a 5" tail. Position arms at sides of body in shoulder area. Insert needle into one arm at upper circle. Push needle through body piercing other arm at upper circle. Pull arms snugly to body. Turn and insert needle again at circle, pushing needle through body to other arm. Repeat 2-3 times. Secure ends of remaining thread and tail together in a double knot. (Optional: Hot glue arms to sides of body.)

Step 3. EARS - WRST, use a double thickness of Brown Sugar Shaggy Plush Felt. On wrong side of one piece of felt trace around pattern. Invert pattern and trace around for other ear. WRST sew along traced lines leaving lower edges open. Cut out ears 1/4" from stitching. Turn RSO. Whip stitch lower openings closed. Hand-sew ears to head.

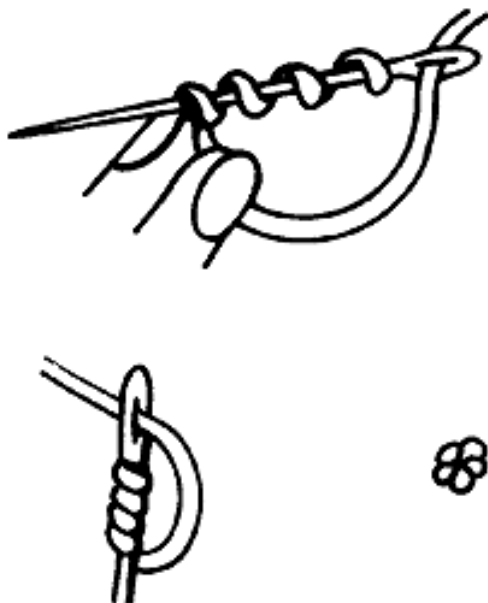
Step 4. FACE - Cut muzzle from Creamy White Shaggy Plush Felt. Hand-sew (slip stitch) to face, placing a small amount of Poly-Fil® under muzzle as you sew. Using two strands of black thread, make a long straight stitch down center of muzzle. For eyes, hand-sew two 4mm black beads to face. To form freckles, use two strands of black embroidery thread to form *French knots. Insert needle in area where nose will be glued later. Bring needle out of muzzle at one of the circles. Hold thread taut and wrap thread around needle twice. Keeping thread taut, insert needle close to circle. Pull needle through to back-side of head. Turn needle and insert close to thread. Repeat for other circles. Secure ends of thread with a knot in nose area. Fluff felt at back of head. Hot glue black pom-pom to bear's face. Apply blush to cheeks, if desired.

Step 5. BELLY - Cut belly from Creamy White Shaggy Plush Felt. Hand-sew (slip stitch) belly to body front.

Step 6. BOW - Tie a 1" x 20" piece of fabric or ribbon around neck.

* FRENCH KNOT

Come up through the fabric and wrap the thread 4 times around the needle while holding the thread taut. Go down into the fabric as close as possible to where you came up but not into the same hole. Hold the knot in place until the needle is completely through the fabric.



Note: Some fabric colors/styles may be discontinued. Please choose from our current fabrics.

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