

Blinking Flights CUDDLE-KIN SEWING PATTERN

This is a very, very easy little softie for you to sew—perfect for a first timer, a young one, or a personalised baby present. It can be made from patchworked scraps, an embroidered piece of linen or calico, or anything pretty. You can also stuff this toy with a rattle bell—a small cat ball with a bell will do the trick.

YOU WILL NEED

- some pieces of scrap fabric for the body, preferably cotton, linen or something soft
- a tiny piece of felt or woollen blanket for the face
- embroidery thread/floss
- stuffing: polyfil is soft and easily washed
- tracing paper
- general sewing supplies such as cotton, scissors and a sewing machine

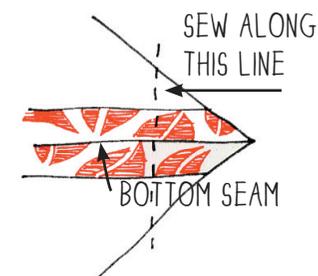
The seam allowance is about 5mm/1/4".

HERE GOES!

1. Trace all the pattern pieces onto tracing or pattern paper, and cut fabrics according to instructions.
2. Embroider the felt face with a two strand thickness of thread/floss.
3. Using the placement guide on the pattern pieces, line the face up on the front body piece and pin in place. With your sewing machine, use satin stitch to attach the face, start along the bottom, and slowly and carefully stitch around the whole perimetre of the face.

Satin Stitch: set your sewing machine to a long zig-zag stitch, and lower the width of the stitch to a bare minimum, the stitches will be so close together that they look a little like satin.

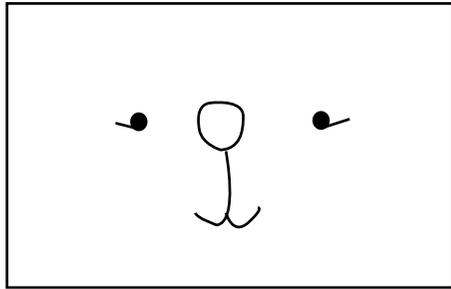
4. Pin the two body pieces together with right sides facing in, and using straight stitch, sew from point A to B, leaving the gap for stuffing. Repeat for durability.
5. Give the cuddle-kin box corners along his or her bottom to help give a little more shape by doing the following:
 - with the body pieces still inside out, stand the cuddlekin up with one hand, leaving the bottom seam touching the table
 - use your spare hand to press down one of the corners of the seam, and pin a straight line about 1cm (about 1/2 ") in from the corner, this will be the line you sew along to create the box bottom
 - pin the other corner in the same way and sew along these lines



6. Snip some notches around the corner points of the cuddle-kin to ensure smooth lines when the toy is turned out the right way.
7. Turn out with a stuffing stick or a pencil with a rubber on the end, being especially careful with the little ears.
8. Stuff with polyfil, hand sew up the gap, and you're all done!

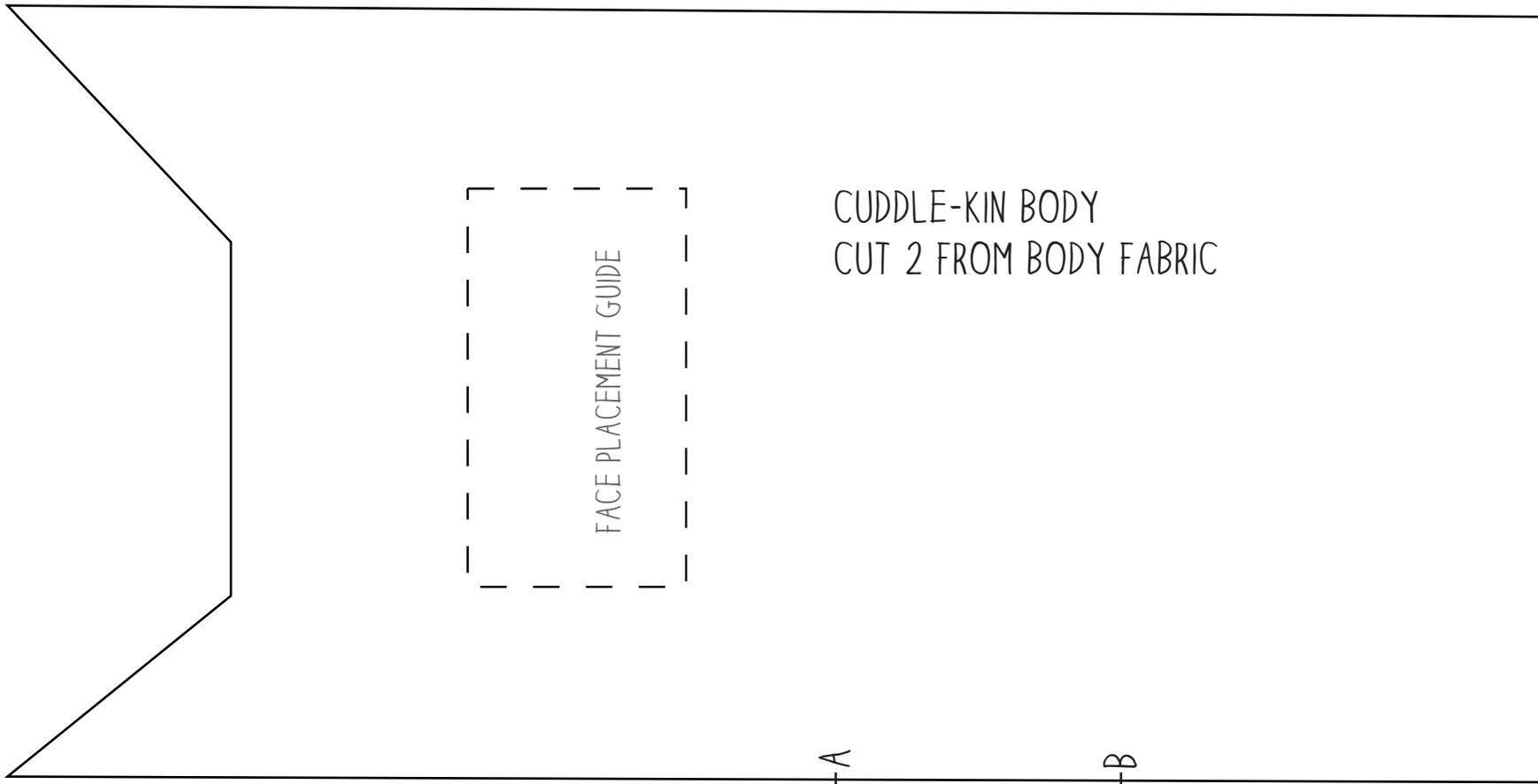


PATTERN PIECES



CUDDLE-KIN FACE &
EMBROIDERY GUIDE

CUT 1 FROM FACE FABRIC



CUDDLE-KIN BODY
CUT 2 FROM BODY FABRIC