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**6 Sew Easy to Make**

# Christmas Ornaments



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## Letter from the Editors

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Hi Sewers,

Homemade Christmas ornaments really add a little something extra to your Christmas tree. One of the best parts of trimming the tree is rediscovering all of your old ornaments year after year and remembering where you got them or when you made them. Exchanging ornaments with friends and family is another wonderful Christmas tradition, and making the ornaments yourself makes it that much more special. Let these sewing patterns inspire you as you're stitching up homemade Christmas ornaments this year, for your own tree or a friend's.

Merry Christmas!

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## Yo-Yo Fabric Ornaments

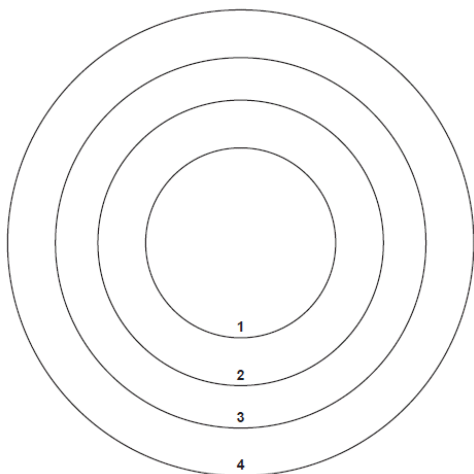
By: Coats & Clark

Use Christmas fabric scraps to create beautiful yo-yo bells for tree ornaments, gift toppers or wreath embellishments. These unique stuffed yo-yo are easy to create and very addictive!



### Materials:

- Dual Duty® Button & Carpet thread Art 250 or S950)
- Christmas Print Fabrics \*: scraps or fat quarters
- Polyester fiberfill
- Jingle bells
- Template



\* We used Hallmark Christmas from FreeSpirit Fabrics.

### Instructions:

1. For each ornament, cut circles 1 through 4 from the assorted Christmas fabrics (see pattern). Sew a hand running stitch around the edges of each circle for gathering. Place a small amount of fiberfill in center of circle, then pull thread to gather edges. Secure thread.
2. Stack the yo-yos, having the largest at the bottom and the smallest at the top. Starting at the top of the yo-yo tree, push threaded needle down through the center of all four yo-yos. Slip the bell over the needle and hold it at the bottom of the largest yo-yo. Bring the needle back up through the center of the tree and take a stitch to secure. Do not cut thread.
3. Take another stitch leaving a 4" loop for hanging the ornament; take a stitch to secure. Do not cut thread.
4. Cut a 15 inch piece of ribbon. Place center of ribbon over last stitch and take a stitch through ribbon to hold in place. Secure thread and cut. Tie a bow in the ribbon.

## Fabric Stocking Ornament

By: Tina Wick for Greenpurse

This Christmas stocking ornament is easy to make and will jazz up your holiday decor! Recycle old fabrics to create truly unique designs for this ornament. They make fun homemade gifts too!



### Materials:

- Fabric - wool, felt or most any kind.
- Embroidery floss, color of your choice
- Batting or fiber fill for stocking top
- Jingle bell
- Template



### Instructions:

1. Print pattern. Layout on the fabric you choose. Cut two.



2. Cut four pieces of coordinating fabric, as shown, approximately 3/4" by 2", trimming as needed. Pin in place.



3. Start sewing the toe of the stocking first and then stuff with batting or fiber fill. Recommend blanket stitch.



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4. Continue sewing the rest of the stocking, leaving the top open for filling the remainder of the ornament. Fill as desired and close by whip stitching the top as



5. Cut a piece of batting or other fabric for the top of the stocking to approximately 6" by 2 1/2", turning under the bottom edge 1/4".



6. Fold over the top of the stocking and the sides. Pin and sew in place. Be sure to sew the top portion to the stocking so it will not come off. Leave enough embroidery floss to loop as the hanger.



7. Sew on the jingle bell and you're done.



## Heart Felt Ornaments Tutorial

By: Cheryl Patterson for FeltSewGood

These cute heart shaped ornaments make wonderful gifts or gift wrap accents. Follow this tutorial for easy Christmas crafts or unique Valentine crafts that use recycled wool sweaters.



### Materials:

- Felted wool sweater or wool felt
- Embroidery thread and needle
- Cotton or wool thread
- Assorted beads and buttons
- Stuffing
- Scissors, pins and tracing paper

### Instructions:

1. Cut out hearts. To make a heart shaped paper pattern, fold a piece of paper and starting at the fold, cut out one side of the heart so that the fold is the center of the heart. This way when you open the paper you have a perfectly proportioned heart. Try several shapes and sizes until you have the desired heart shape. Then pin the paper to the wool and cut out two hearts for each

ornament you want to make. I also cut out some smaller hearts to make contrasting centers for some of my ornaments.



2. Embroider and embellish the hearts. I used a contrasting color embroidery thread to sew simple stitches in star and swirl patterns on some of my hearts. Then I stitched on seed beads as embellishments. On other hearts I used a blanket stitch, or buttonhole stitch, to appliqué smaller hearts to the center, then added a button for embellishment. You will be using two pieces of wool for each heart ornament. You can decorate one or both sides of the ornament.



3. Sew the hearts together. With wrong sides together, use a blanket stitch to sew around the outside edge of each heart. When about a one inch opening



remains, fill the heart with stuffing, then finish stitching to close the opening.



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4. Hang the heart. Thread a short length of wool or cotton thread through the top edge of each heart to hang on your tree or tie to a package.



## Quick Stitch Holiday Ornaments

By: Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home

Use brown grocery bags and acrylic paint to sew up the cutest and most frugal Christmas ornaments. You will need a sewing machine for this quick ornament craft from Heidi Borchers of Inspired at Home.



### Materials:

- For each: batting
- White thread or clear monofilament
- Sewing machine
- Acrylic paint – assorted colors
- Paintbrushes – ¼" flat shader, fine-tip
- Aleene's® Tacky Glue™
- 7" length twine
- Scissors
- Templates

### For stocking

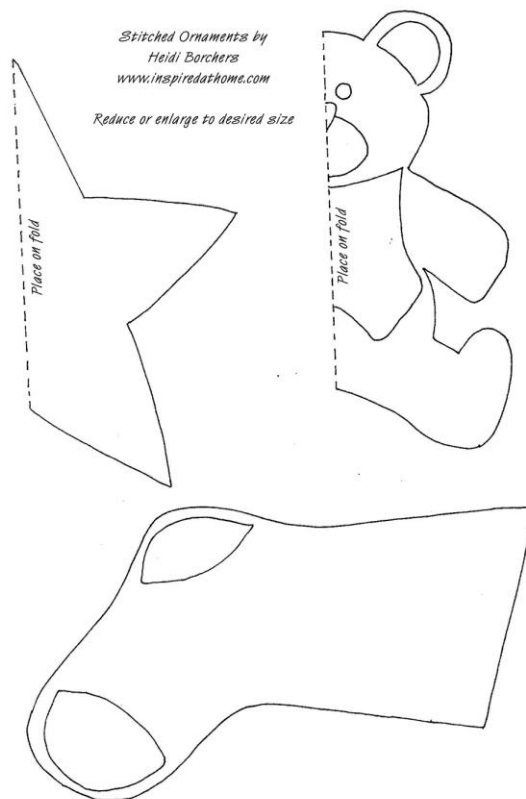
- Brown grocery bag – 1 (2-1/4" x 3-3/4") piece, 2 (5" x 10") pieces
- Fine-tip permanent black marker
- Red raffia (or yarn or ribbon)

### For bear

- 2 (6" x 8") pieces brown grocery bag
- Fine-tip permanent black marker
- 10" length ¼" wide green picot edged ribbon

### For star

- 2 (7-1/2") squares brown grocery bag
- Iridescent fine glitter
- White raffia (or yarn or ribbon)



### Instructions:

For stocking, cut 2-1/4" x 3-3/4" brown bag piece and round corners for cuff. Transfer pattern to 1 (5" x 10") brown bag piece. For bear and star, transfer pattern to 1 brown bag piece each. For each, referring to photo, paint designs. Let dry. For stocking and bear, draw details with marker. For star, lightly sprinkle glitter onto wet paint. Let dry.

For stocking, bear and star, cut out design, adding  $\frac{1}{4}$ " all around. Transfer pattern to batting and cut out, cutting just inside marked line. Center and stack remaining brown bag piece, batting shape, and painted design right side up. Machine-stitch bag layers together, using  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Trim excess brown bag from design.

For stocking, glue cuff to top of stocking. Cut several (13") lengths of raffia. Handling several strips as 1, tie strips into bow. Glue bow to stocking cuff. Let dry. For bear, tie ribbon in bow. Glue bow to bear. Let dry. For star, cut several (13") lengths of raffia. Handling several strips as 1, tie strips into bow. Glue bow to star. Let dry.

For each, fold twine in half to form loop. Glue ends to top back of ornament for hanger. Let dry.

## Iron-on Christmas Stocking

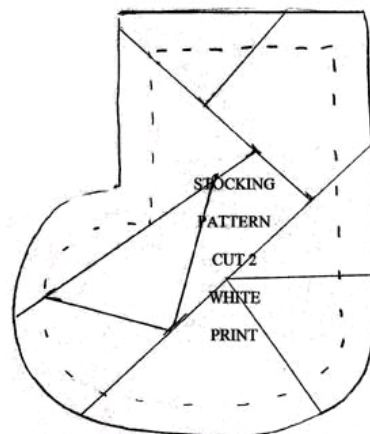
By: Nancy Billetdeaux for Kreinik

This is a fun way to make a quick fabric ornament that looks like it was crazy quilted. You can take it a step further and make it a 'signature' ornaments – having family or friends sign their names in the sections of the design. The iron-on threads give you a quick decorative thread embellishment.



### Materials:

- Iron-on 1/8" Ribbon in 6130 Red, 6225 Gold, 6350 Green
- 3" x 4" Kreinik Teflon Press Cloth
- Mini iron or household iron
- 4 1/2" X 4 1/2" white print fabric
- Sequins (small) 6 red, 4 green, 4 gold
- Sewing machine
- White all-purpose thread
- Iron and ironing board
- Fabric glue
- Template

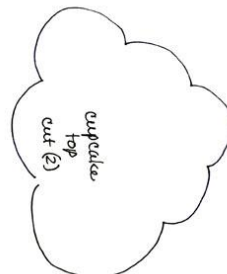


### Instructions:

1. Turn your iron onto the highest heat setting and let it heat thoroughly.
2. Trace and cut out the stocking template. Place template onto doubled white print fabric and cut out.
3. Referring to template for placement, iron the 1/8" Ribbon; lay the thread at a starting point, cover with the Teflon press cloth, and press for several seconds until the thread adheres. Continue in this way, working the design in sections. Refer to the photo for color location.
4. Pin stocking right sides together and sew around stocking, leaving top open, using a 1/4" seam allowance. Turn under 3/8" to inside of stocking and stitch around top of stocking 1/4" from edge.
5. Cut a piece of 1/8" red Iron-on Ribbon 8 1/2" long, and fold in half. Iron the raw ends to inside of stocking (always use your Teflon press cloth).
6. Glue sequins to stocking using fabric glue; refer to photo for color and placement.

## Yummy Cupcake Ornaments

So cute, so sweet, such an adorable way to decorate for any holiday or even a birthday. Detail felt pieces with 3D paint for sweet success.



### Materials:

- Tulip® 3D Fashion Paint
  - 65000 White
  - 65010 Pink
  - 65032 Leaf Green
  - 65141 Bright Red
- 3" green cording
- Needle with large eye
- Felt, 1 sheet each pink, red
- Scissors
- 6" Pink ribbon, 1/8" wide
- Sewing thread, to match ribbon
- Embroidery floss, white, light pink
- Straight pins
- Paper towels
- Template

### Instructions:

1. Cut out patterns. Cut felt in half crosswise then layer. Pin cupcake bottom pattern to red felt and top to pink felt. Cut out creating two for each cupcake.
2. Thread needle with a 24" length of white floss. Sew a basting stitch, about ¼" in from edge along three sides of bottom section of cupcake, leaving top open.
3. Thread needle with pink floss. Insert bottom section about a third of the way into top section then sew a basting stitch around edge through all layers.
4. To create hanger for ornament, fold ribbon over and tie a knot in one end. Trim ends close to knot then sew in place on back of ornament.
5. Tie a knot in one end of cording then trim end close to knot, this will be used for stem of cherry. Trim stem to about 1-½" and set aside.

6. Start flow of 3D Paint on paper towel using even pressure on bottle for smooth line.

7. To create cherry, squeeze a large dot of Bright Red where shown. Immediately insert end of stem into paint and add more paint if needed to fill in.

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8. Detail cupcake as follows:

Pink – small swirls on frosting

Leaf Green – one small holly leaf from each swirl

White: lines on bottom, wavy lines on top, highlight on cherries

9. Let dry then hang on tree.

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