

Button Ted

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Materials Needed:

- Handmade felt
- Buttons for eyes
- Black thread for the eyes
- Matching colour thread for the ted
- Teddy template
- Needle
- Pins
- Stuffing
- Any embellishments that you want to add onto your ted (optional)

Step 1: Cut two ted templates out of paper.

Step 2: Pin the two templates onto the handmade felt.

Step 3: Cut the 2 ted shapes out of felt.

Step 4: Take a length of black thread, tie a knot in the end and stitch each of the two little white buttons in place with an 'X' then secure the thread to finish.

Step 5: Continue with the black thread to stitch the eye lashes ... stitch 5 above the eye and 4 below using straight stitch.



Step 6: * This is the point where, should you wish to add any embellishment of your own ... now is the time to do it! (Try beads, sequins, buttons, badges ... the list of things you can customise your bear with is endless!)

Step 7: Now place the two ted shaped pieces of felt together, right sides out.

Step 8: Anchor the matching thread just under one of the arms and stitch all the way around the ted through the two layers using a small running stitch, stopping 2-3cm before the end – just leave the thread unfinished for now.

Step 9: Stuff the ted firmly – it's useful to use a pencil or similar in order to help you get the stuffing right to the ends of each of the limbs.

Step 10: Pick up the thread again where you left it and stitch the gap closed. Secure the thread and you have finished.



