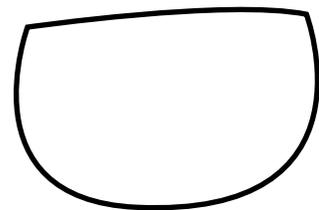
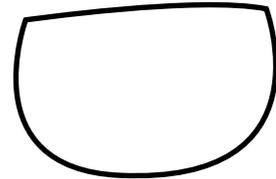
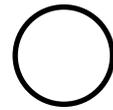
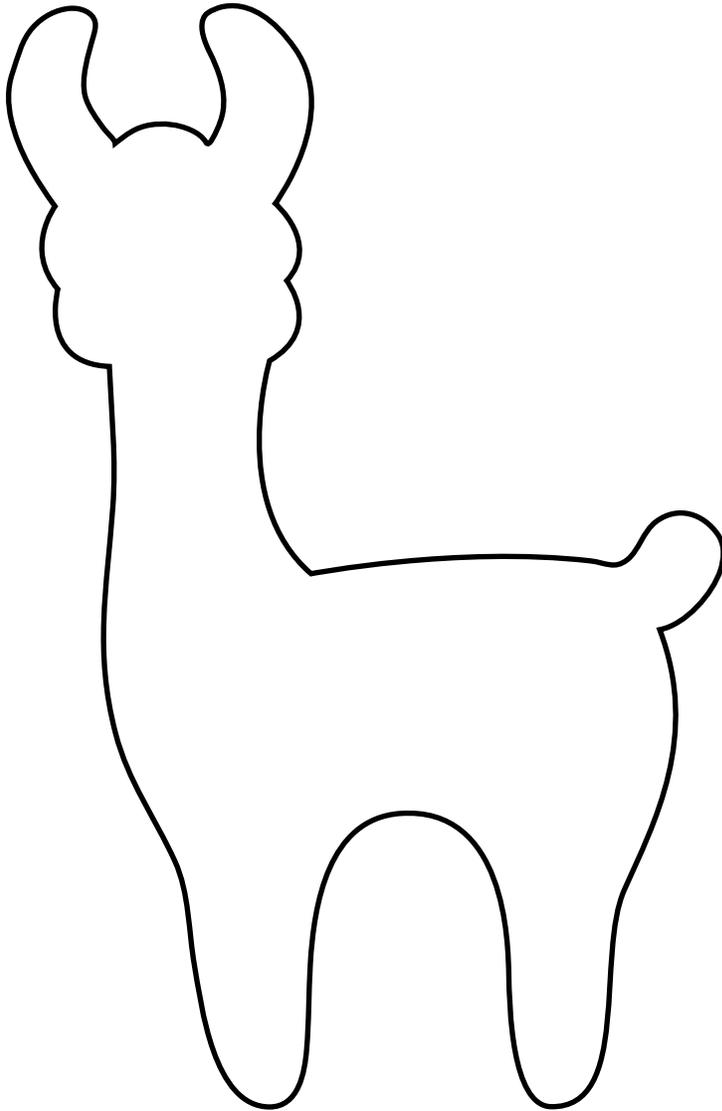




FA-LA-LA-LLAMA HOLIDAY ORNAMENT



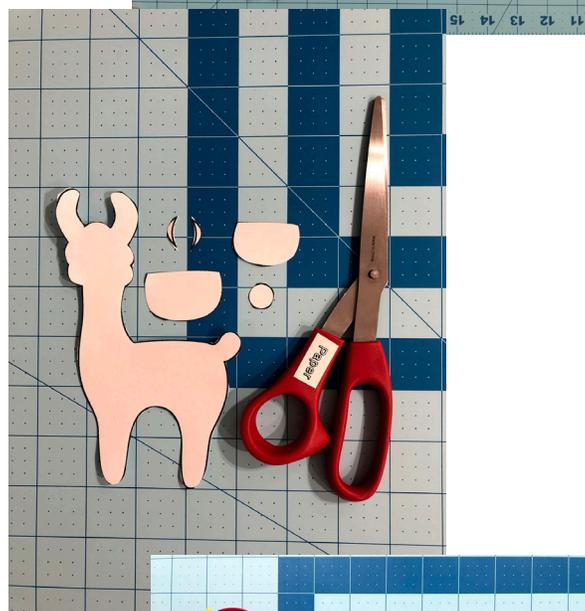
MATERIALS NEEDED:

- printer
- sharp scissors for fabric
- scissors for paper
- sewing needles (embroidery needles work well)
- craft felt for llama's body, ears, saddles, scarf and llama's snout
- various colors of embroidery floss, including black for the eyes
- a solid handful of Fiber Fill polyester stuffing (or anything "stuffing" like)
- craft glue, we recommend Beacon Fabri-Tac
- pom poms and bells to embellish
- (Optional) cardstock to print the



GETTING STARTED:

1. To begin, print the pattern file out at *actual size* onto a piece of paper or cardstock.
2. Grab your paper scissors and cut each pattern piece out.
3. Either using pins to keep the patterns in place, or [carefully] tracing them with a pen/pencil, trace and cut out the following felt pieces
 - 2 of the llama body
 - 1 for each ear
 - 1 for each saddle size in different colors



ASSEMBLY:

4. Using a small dab of glue, attach the smaller of the two saddle pieces to the larger, aligning the top edge.



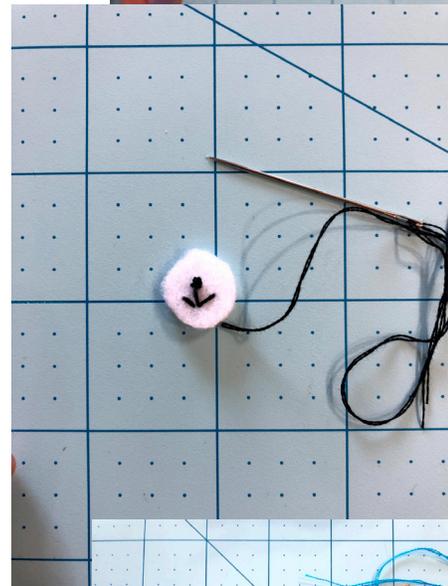
5. If you would like to, this is the time to decorate your saddle with any sort of embroidery stitches. Cut a roughly 18" piece of embroidery floss and separate 2 strands to work with. In the sample in the photo I used a blanket stitch to border the smaller saddle with contrasting thread and did a few french knots for pizzazz- do as little or as much as you'd like!



6. Using glue, attach the saddle to the back of one your llama body pieces aligning the top edge of the saddle and the back.



7. Using black floss, stitch a small nose (I used a french knot) and the lines of the mouth. Put that threaded needle aside, you'll need it in a minute!



8. Attach the snout and the insides of the ears to the face of the llama with a small dab of glue.

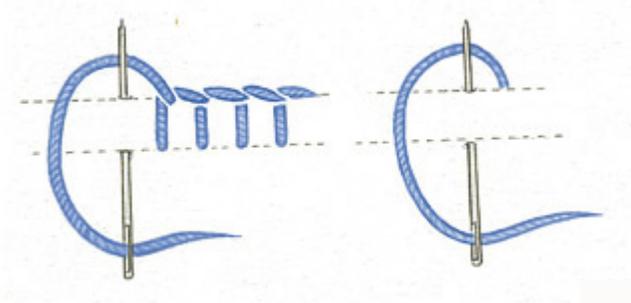
9. Grab your needle black floss again and stitch eyes for your llama. They can be small black dots or closed like the sample in the photos.

10. This is where we change up the order a bit from the sample photos. Instead of attaching your bell and pom poms now, save that until the end so it's less difficult to hold the llama as you put her together. Take a 12" length of string, fold it in half and tie a overhand knot at the base. Using a small dab of glue, attach the knot of the string to the inside of the head, between the ears. This will help keep the string in place as we close up the lama next.

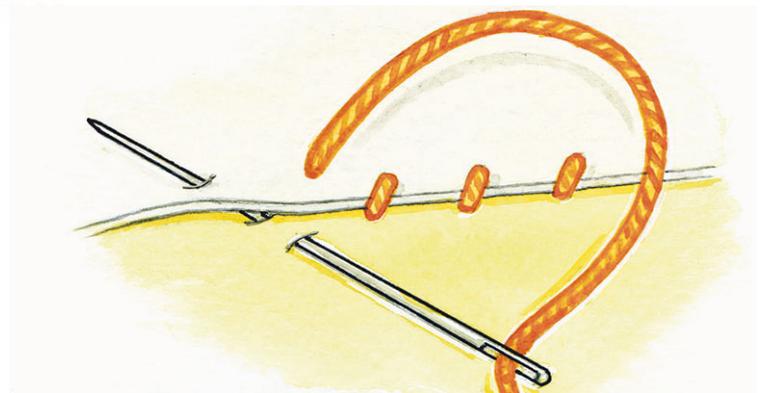


11. We're now going to sew together the front and back of the llama body. Take a fun color of the embroidery floss and cut a piece roughly the length of your forearm (around 18") the reasonable length is to minimize the chance of knots and tangles while you sew. Separate 2 strands of floss and thread your needle.
12. Place the front of your llama together with the back piece wrong sides together, using pins to hold them even.
13. You have two options to sew the pieces together- a blanket stitch or a whip stitch. A blanket stitch gives you the effect of a border like the sample in the photos has. A whip stitch is quicker and easier.

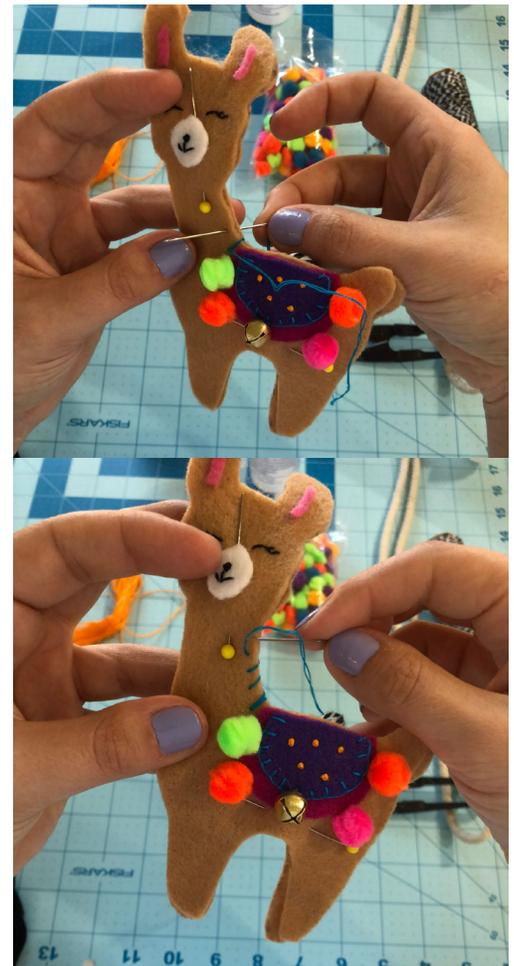
Blanket Stitch



Whip Stitch



14. Starting just to the left of the stitches, work either your blanket stitch or whip stitch towards the left, up and around the head and body and stopping when you get to the other side of the saddle. Make sure to have the looped string for hanging outside of the body!



15. Knot off your stitching. Grab a handful of fiber-fil and gently start stuffing the body of your llama, using the chopstick to get a little in the legs, ears and tail. Once the llama is stuffed to your liking (it doesn't take a lot!) finish closing her up with the stitches you've been using.



16. Using glue, attach pom poms to the saddle.

17. Using a bit of thread and your needle, attach the bell to the saddle as well.

18. As an added seasonal touch, use a bit of left over felt to cut a long skinny rectangle and tie the rectangle around your llama's neck like a scarf!

19. Enjoy your llama! She's so darn cute!

