

motifs & templates

**CUT OUT
AND KEEP!**

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Use these guides to get started today!

Make sure to keep these sewing essentials in your stash for quick and easy use.

IRON: For neatening and pressing pattern pieces and fabric.

NEEDLES: A selection of hand and machine options.

PINS & PINCUSHION: A mixture of dressmaker's

pins (long thin sharps), glass top (mid-length, will not melt when pressed), and safety pins for securing templates and pattern pieces to fabric.

RULER: For measuring smaller items.

SCISSORS: Dressmaking (sharp, large blades for cutting fabric), pinking

shears (sawtoothed blades used to neaten and secure the raw edges of fabric) and embroidery (small, pointed blades for trimming threads).

SEAM RIPPER: A sharp-ended hook for pulling and undoing unwanted stitches, and opening buttonholes.

TAILOR'S CHALK: Removable chalks for

marking patterns and templates onto fabric.

TAPE MEASURE: At least 150cm long for dressmaking.

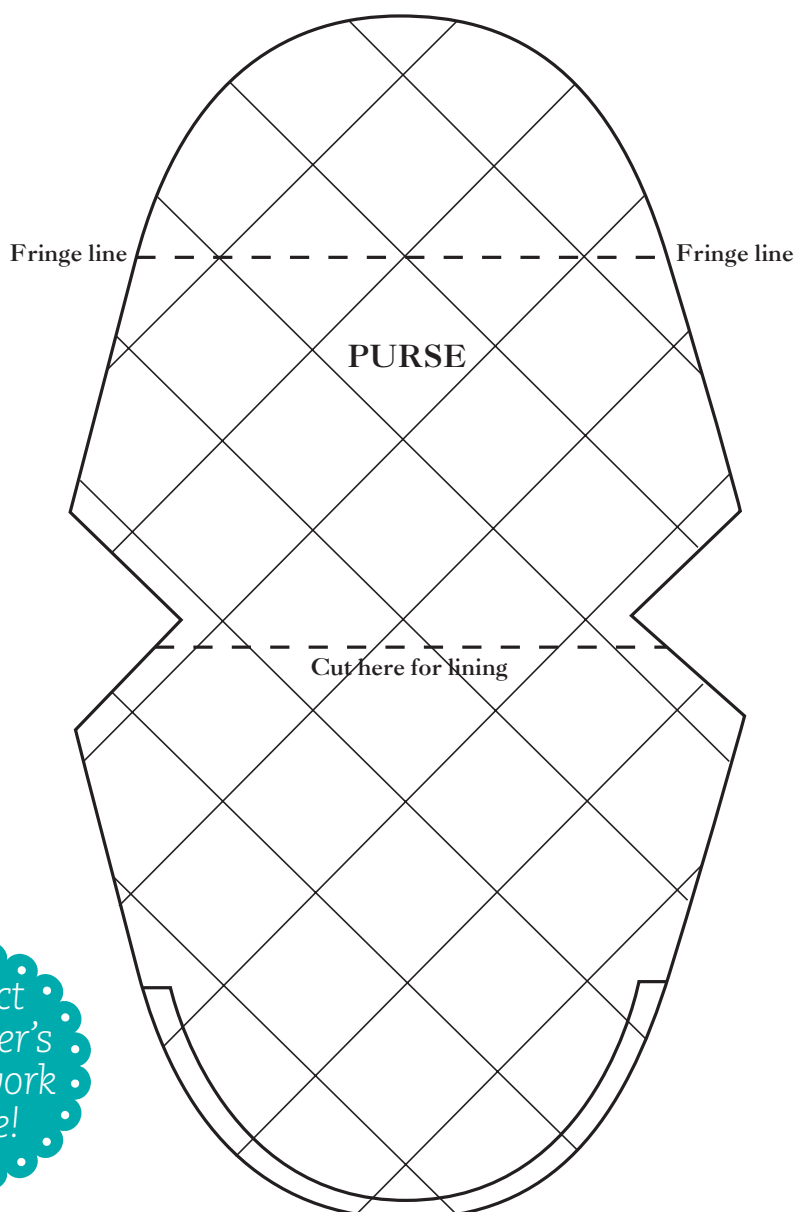
THREADS: A variety of cotton, nylon and silk threads for use in hand and machine stitching.

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Title: Gadget case and purse
Designer: Lucinda Ganderton
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In this project you'll create a charming patchwork purse and matching gadget case, perfect for stowing away MP3 players or even phones. By creating the patchwork fabric first and then cutting the purse pieces using these templates, you'll ensure a neat finish that looks great.

Perfect
beginner's
patchwork
make!





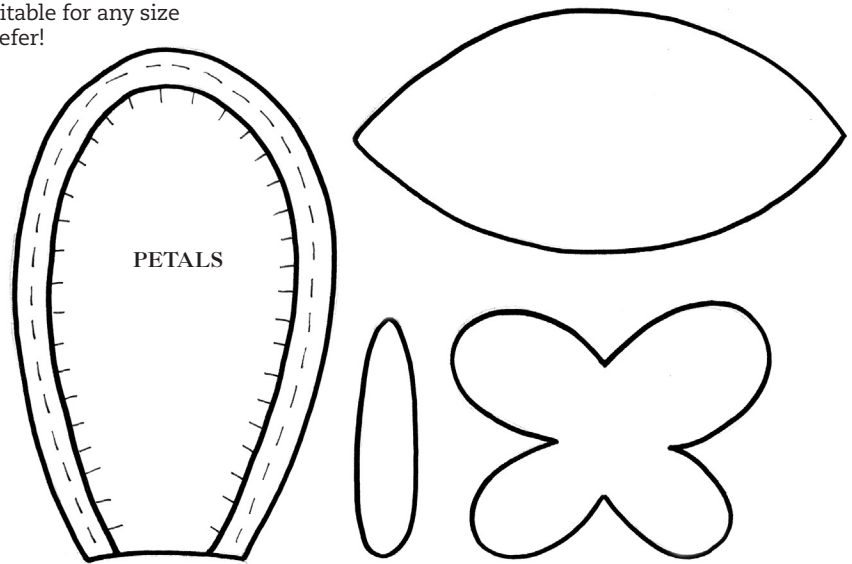
Title: Flower costume
Designer: Louise Nichols
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This adorable little girl's costume will be worn time and time again – with a cute appliqué bloom detail and matching headband it's sure to be a hit! The costume itself can be custom fitted – so is suitable for any size youngster – or grown-up, if you'd prefer!

Cutting edge

Follow these simple rules to ensure that you get neat results and accurate edges when cutting your fabric...

- Always cut on a smooth, flat surface
- Ensure that your scissors are sharp – and never use the same pair for cutting fabric and paper
- Use the full blade of the scissors for longer straight edges, making smaller cuts around curves



FLOWER MOTIFS

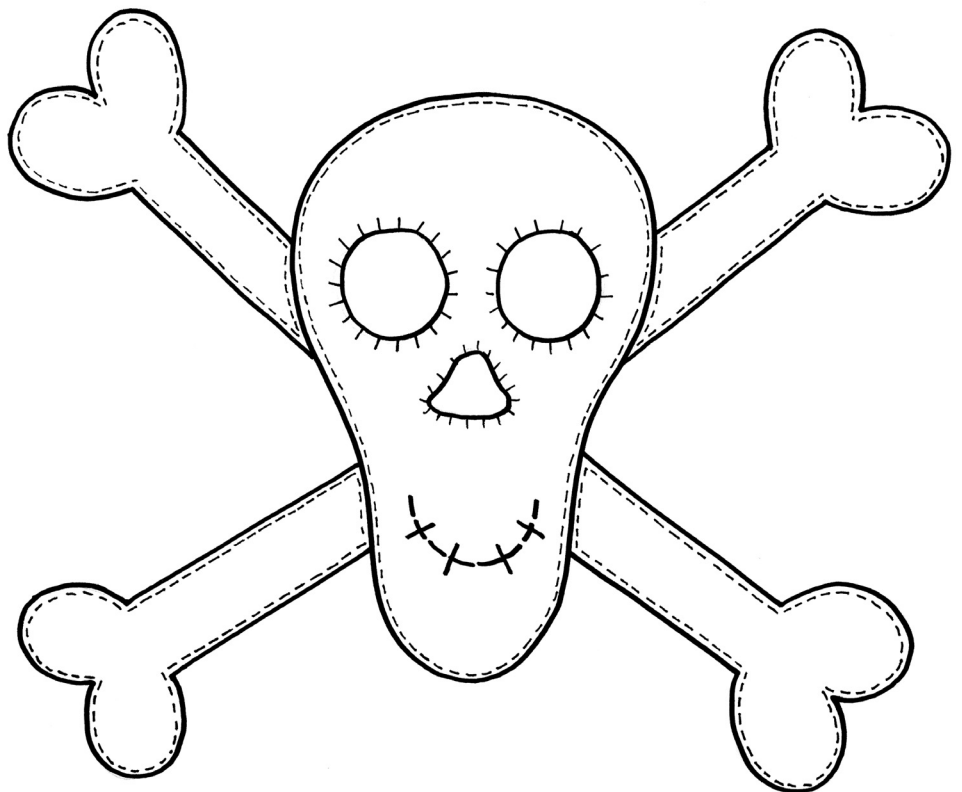
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Title: Pirate costume
Designer: Louise Nichols
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Your little monster will love this swash-buckling outfit with trousers, waistcoat and matching bandanna. Use the appliqué motif to incorporate a skull and crossbones design to the outfit which, as with the little girl's costume can be custom-created to suit any age. You could even add the skull motif to a pre-bought T-shirt or jacket so that mum and dad can join in too!

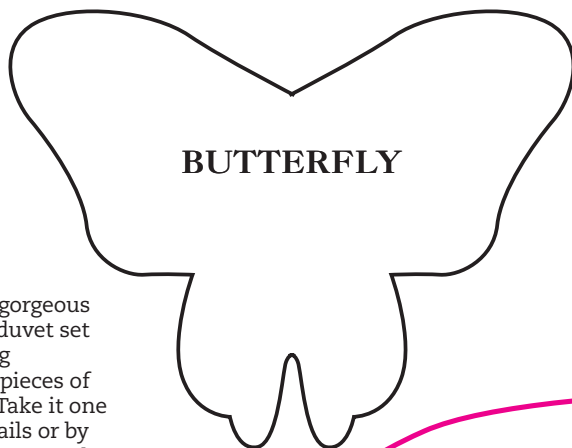


Cut out & keep pirate motif!



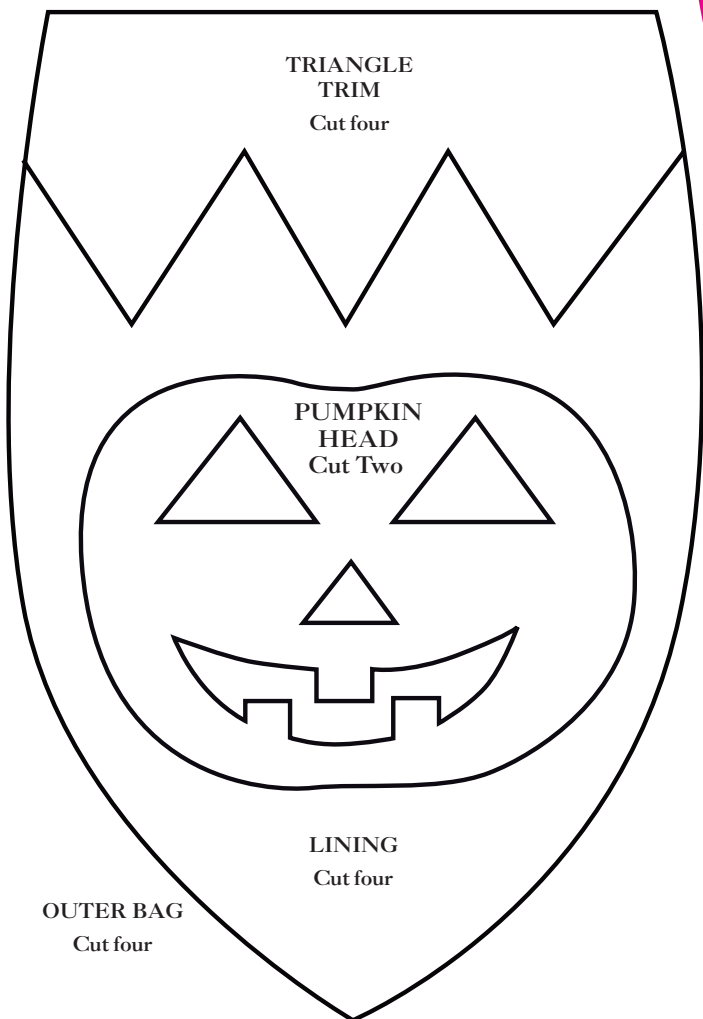
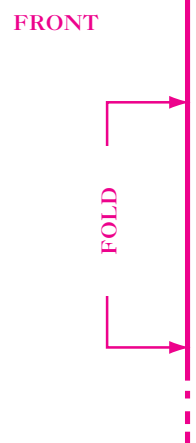
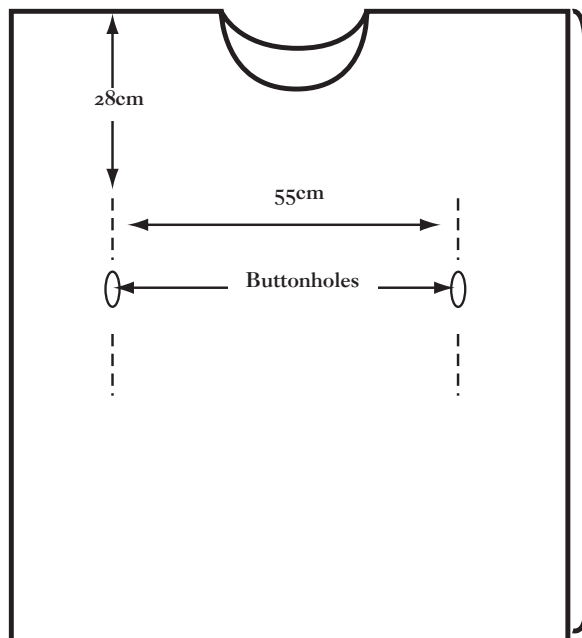
Title: Embellished duvet set
Designer: Amanda Walker
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Create a mini-makeover with this gorgeous upcycled bedding. A simple, plain duvet set can be transformed into something spectacular using just a few small pieces of printed fabric and hand stitching. Take it one step further with embroidered details or by using heirloom fabrics from your own stash. The possibilities are endless!



Title: Summer blouses
Designer: Amanda Walker
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Our simple technique can be used to stitch a collection of blouses and even a dress in various lengths and prints – so you can create one to suit every occasion. The only guide needed to make these garments is the pink neckline template included here – simply cut it out, line up as indicated and use it to form your neckline.



Title: Pumpkin bag and wand
Designer: Ellen Kharade
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Trick or treating is now as much a part of Halloween as pumpkin lanterns and fancy dress costumes – and with this pumpkin bag and wand, your little ones will be ready to hit the trail and gather ghoulish sweets and treats in no time. Made from simple shapes of soft cotton it's easy to create and looks super special, too.