

This charming ghost is a great project for teaching adults or even teaching to sew! Includes tips to make the project easier and full size pattern.

Craft Supplies:

Two 9 ½" x 13" pieces of white felt White yarn Blush Fine tip black permanent marker Two 12mm eyes 12" piece of orange ribbon 2 Large safety pins Yarn needle Polyester Fiberfil (stuffing) 3/16" Hole punch Pattern printout below



CRAFT INSTRUCTIONS

Trace and cut out 2 ghost shapes from the felt. Due to the size of the pattern it will print on two pages. Simply line up the edges and tape together to form the complete pattern.

Being careful to line up both ghosts evenly, pin them together with the two large safety pins*.

Using the hole punch, make holes around the outside edge of the ghost thru both layers approximately 1/4" in from the edge and $\frac{1}{2}$ " apart.

Thread the yarn needle with white yarn and knot one end. To start so the knot won't pull thru, from between the 2 layers of the ghost come up between 2 sets of the punched holes.

Using the holes, hand sew with an over edge stitch (Come up from the bottom into one of the holes then bring your needle up from the bottom again into the very next hole.)

Stop sewing when you have about 2 ½" left to sew. I find it helpful to take the needle off the yarn while stuffing your ghost so it doesn't fall off and get lost.

Lightly stuff your ghost being sure to spread the stuffing into the head, arms and bottom point. Re-thread your needle and resume sewing.

When you finish sewing, knot the yarn and take a couple more stitches before cutting the yarn. (This helps hide the end of the yarn.)

Put a little blush on your ghost where the checks will be.

Glue on the eyes and draw a mouth with the permanent marker.

Make a bow for your ghost and glue it on in the neck area.

*When teaching children to hand sew - I find it helpful to use safety pins and place them on the same side. This way as you instruct the kids in sewing, if they always keep the pins facing the ceiling, the piece won't get all twisted and the thread won't get knotted as often.



