COTTON REEL RABBIT

A FREE PATTERN FOR YOU

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INSTRUCTIONS

Glue pattern pieces to a piece of lightweight card and cut out.

Trace around pieces onto felt in your chosen colors with a fine marker - ears: 2 body and 2 inner color.

Cut out.

Whip stitch the gusset to the two body pieces - down one side then the other, shuffling the pieces together as you go to make them fit.

Sew the two body pieces together from top of gusset, around the head and down to the base - whip stitching all the way.

Stuff with fleece or polyfill and stitch base to body. About half way round, tuck in the card base and continue until the end.

Put the ear inner and ear together and whip stitch together on both ears.

Position ears and with tiny stitches, attach to head. Don’t break off the thread - make eyes with little stitches going back and forth through the head.

You could add a few satin stitches for the nose. Add whiskers - I used 12lb gauge fishing line - go back and forth and add as many as you like and trim to suit.

The tail can be made by a pinch of fleece rolled into a rough ball and stitched in place with a few stitches. If you don’t have fleece you could use cotton wool or some fine cream yarn loosely rolled into a small tail sized ball.

Take a pipe cleaner and cut to about 1/2” (12mm) longer than sleeve - fold both ends in about 1/4” (6mm) Place arm in position and catch to jacket with a few stitches through the fold in the pipecleaner.

Fold sleeve in half lengthways and stitch together from bottom to markings near the top and then thread onto arm and stitch sleeve to jacket.

Fold collar and with a few small stitches, catch jacket at neck.

Fold carrot in half and sew from bottom to top - stuff and gather around top, tucking a few pieces of green yarn before pulling it tight. Add a few lines on the carrot if you wish with backstitch.