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HAND-FELTED WOOL BALLS AND ADORNMENTS ARE A WHIMSICAL TOUCH OF FIBER FOR ALL KINDS OF PROJECTS!



PORTABLE PINCUSHION

MATERIALS:

- 2CM HandBEHG Felts felt ball
- HandBEHG Felts Small Disks, 6 pcs
- Golf Tee or Button Magnet
- Chenille needle and thread
- Scissors
- White glue

DIRECTIONS:

1. Thread needle with a long length of doubled thread before knotting ends together.
2. Fold first disk in half, right sides together, bring needle and thread up through fold on one end of disk. Wrap thread around folded end 2-3 times to create a pinch. Pass needle and thread back and forth through pinch, pull snug and secure. Snip threads. Repeat 4 times completing 5 petals.
3. With needle and thread take a small bite of the felt ball, lock the thread by passing back through the thread loop. Tack a petal to the ball by sewing around pinch. Attach remaining petals in a tight circle by first taking a bite in the ball before repeating process.
4. Use a running stitch to sew the remaining disk over the petal pinches to clean finish the underside of the flower.
5. Glue golf tee or button magnet to disk. Search "handbehgfelts" on YouTube for a demo video of this project.



pencil pocket

MATERIALS:

- 2CM HandBEHG Felts felt ball
- HandBEHG Felts Flower Parts, 6pc assortment pack
- HandBEHG Felts Chunk, 3pc green pack for leaf shape
- 12" Length of Jute Upholstery Webbing, 3 1/2" wide
- Fabric Scraps
- 1" Plastic Ring
- Chenille needle and thread
- Sewing Machine, Iron & Scissors

DIRECTIONS:

1. With a 4 1/2" x 2" piece of scrap fabric, clean finish (bind) one end of the webbing.
2. Mitre other end of webbing by folding in half (wrong sides together) and sewing layers together. Stitch together multiple times because jute can unravel. Turn seam to inside forming a triangular shaped end. Iron to crease.
3. Fold bound edge of webbing towards triangular edge forming a 4" pocket. Iron to crease.
4. Cut leaf shape from green Chunk, stack with Flower Parts and hand sew to front flap of pocket. Tack felt ball to the center of the flower stack.
5. Finish pocket by edge stitching along both sides.
6. To make hanger, wrap ring with 1/2" strip of scrap fabric tying bow at top and tack to back side of triangle.



These handy pockets are a great place to stash your favorite scissors or rotary cutter too!

working with wire satellite pin

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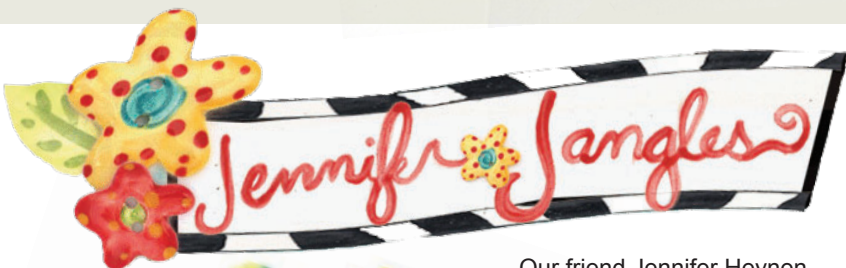
- 3CM HandBEHG Felts felt ball, flattened
- HandBEHG Felts needle, to make pilot hole in felt ball to receive wire
- 15" piece of industrial wire, 3 pieces per pin
- Needle-nose pliers, hardware store variety, nothing fancy
- Wool or fabric scrap, beads or other embellishment items
- Chenille needle and thread • Scissors or rotary cutter • Pinback

DIRECTIONS:

1. To flatten or reshape a ball, prepare a small bowl of warm soapy water. A drop or two of liquid dish detergent or hand soap will do. It is the combination of heat, friction and soap that permits the wool fiber to be reshaped.
 2. Dunk the ball into the soapy water to moisten. Reshape the ball by rolling it vigorously or smashing it firmly between your hands. Re-dunk ball as often as necessary until desired shape is achieved.
 3. Allow reshaped ball to thoroughly dry on an old towel before decorating or embellishing. For best results, allow to air dry overnight or up to 48hrs.
 4. Using the felts needle, make a pilot hole on the underside of the flattened ball and insert wire.
 5. With the needle-nose pliers, bend each end of the wire into a flat coil towards the ball. Once the coil gets started, use your fingers to finish the coil. Repeat steps 4 & 5 two more times, evenly distributing the wire placement. Adjust the coils with your fingers or pliers until the coils are distributed.
- Check out our demo on YouTube.com for an up close how-to. Search "handbehgfelts".
6. Decorate the pin with cut wool or fabric scraps, beads or other embellishments then finish with a pinback. Secure all with needle and thread.



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Our friend Jennifer Heynen is a terrific designer of ceramics, fabrics and ribbons and her Polka Dot Garden Pincushion was featured in the current issue of BHG's *Quilts & More*. Visit her blog and website to learn more about her line of products and to order this fabulous pincusion kit.

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