

## 24" BABY BODY

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PATTERN NUMBER DA 1131

(Use 24" Baby Shay Arms, Baby Shay Sh/Plate,  
24" Baby Shay Bent or Straight Legs)

### FABRICS & NOTIONS

3/8yd muslin 45" wide

12" of Iron-On Woven Interfacing

4 buttons

Heavy Craft/Carpet Thread

Soft Sculpture Needle

Polyfil

2 or 3 cups of pellets

Hot/Cool Glue Gun

Cool Melt Glue Sticks

48" of 14/2 gauge Romex Wire - Optional - armature

16" Twill Tape 1/4" wide

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### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE CUTTING FABRIC

- NOTE: 1. WRST indicates With Right Sides Together.  
2. All seams are 1/4" unless otherwise indicated.  
3. Wire armature is optional

### SPECIAL PREPARATION OF BODY PIECES BEFORE SEWING THE BODY

- A. Mark dots on wrong side of torso fronts, arm caps and leg caps.
- B. Lay the arm caps, leg caps and torso fronts on your ironing board wrong side up.
- C. Iron a 1" square of woven interfacing directly over the marked dots on each piece.
- D. Stuff legs up to the knees and the arms up to mid-forearm.

### BODY ASSEMBLY

1. WRST, sew the body fronts together at the Center Front. Follow the same procedure for the body backs.
2. WRST, sew the body front to the body back at the side seams.
3. WRST, sew the leg caps together around the outer edge. Follow the same procedure for the arms.
4. Turn under and sew casings on the arm and leg caps. Thread a needle with Craft/Carpet Thread and run a double thread through each casing leaving 4 " or 5" thread tails.
5. Cut two lengths of wire each 24" long.
6. Cut a slit large enough to accommodate the wire at each body dot and also at the inside left and right arm dots, the inside left leg and right leg dots.
7. Insert the wire into the porcelain upper leg to the knee. Stuff around the wire to within 1/4" of the porcelain leg opening. Fill the 1/4" area with cool melt glue. Let dry. Prepare both legs.
8. Push wire through the leg cap dots and leg dots of the torso. Pull wire into the body.
9. Stuff bottom of torso with polyfil. See pattern. Add pellets to line "A".
10. Bring both wires to the center and bind together with electrical tape or floral wire.
11. Push ends through the torso arm dots and into the dots on the arm caps.
12. Firmly stuff the torso from Line "A" to the top with polyfil. Turn under the front and back edges of the top torso opening 1/4" and slip stitch together. Begin stitching at the center seam line and go toward the shoulder. Finish rounding out the shoulder with small bits of polyfil then complete the closing. Tie off and begin following the same procedure for the opposite shoulder.

13. Push wire through the inside left arm cap dot and the inside right arm cap dot. Bend the ends of the wire back then stuff around the wire up to within 1/4" of the porcelain opening of the arms. Fill the 1/4" area with cool melt glue. Let dry. Prepare both arms.

14. Firmly stuff the cloth arm caps with polyfil and tie off arm cap with drawstring. Secure the drawstring knot with a drop of glue.

15. Thread a soft sculpture needle with craft/carpet thread. Anchor the leg caps and arm caps to the torso with buttons and craft/carpet thread. Insert needle at the side of the wire and push needle straight through the left leg cap, into the body and out the right leg cap. Push needle through the eye of a button and also through the opposite button eye then push the needle back through the right leg cap, into the torso, through the left leg cap and through the eye of the second button. Push the knotted end of the thread tails through the second eye and pull the threads. The leg caps should fit snugly against the torso. Tie off in a double knot. Secure the knot with a drop of glue. After glue dries clip the thread tails short. Follow this same procedure for the arms. The top edge of the arm caps (when stuffed) should be fairly level with the shoulder plate.

16. Connect the head and shoulder plate together with a shoulder plate connector.

17. Cut 4 lengths of twill tape each 4" long. Place a length of tape through each shoulder plate sew hole. Sit the head/shoulder plate on top of the torso. Pull both ends of each tape length down as snugly as possible and pin to the torso. Whip stitch the twill tape to the cloth body.

**ON THIS DOLL --- ARMATURE IS OPTIONAL !!!!!!!**

**DIAGRAM**



