



how to
make

Parrot Costume

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DIFFICULTY ●●●

Approximate Time of project: 4 + hours

MATERIALS

Felt
1m of Red
50cm of yellow
50cm of blue
2m of green

Feather boa
Black woven elastic
Green stretch sequin trim
Safety pin
Matching thread
Red shirt
Blue pants

EQUIPMENT

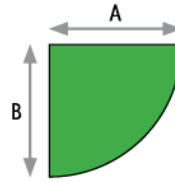
Pins
Sewing Machine
Scissors
Hot Glue Gun
Feather template

Note: Materials listed will create a costume to fit a 6-year-old. Please increase/decrease materials if making a costume of a different size.

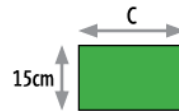
STEPS

WINGS

1. Measure the following and note the following measurements.
A. Shoulder to the wrist
B. Top of shoulder to lower hip
C. Back width
2. Draw a wing shape on the felt using A and B measurements. Draw a curve to join the two straight lines. Repeat 3 more times for 4 wing shapes.



Cut one rectangle that is back width measurement by 15cm



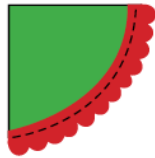
3. Cut slits into the rectangle and edges of two wings.



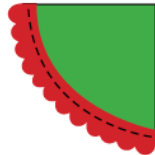
4. Cut elastic lengths that will comfortably fit around the wrist and shoulders. Slide elastic through the slits in the felt. (Wrist lengths on the wings and shoulder lengths on the rectangle). Secure on the other side of the felt with the hot glue gun.
5. Lay the felt pieces with elastic with right sides facing upwards. Place the rectangle between the two wings. Stitch the rectangle onto the two wing shapes.



- Cut out feather template. Cut multiple feather shapes from different colours of felt. (Note: the number of feathers will depend on the size of the wing. Place feather shapes on the wing when cutting to ensure enough feathers are cut to cover both wings.)
- Place red feathers along the curved edge on one of the plain wing shapes. Pin and stitch into place.



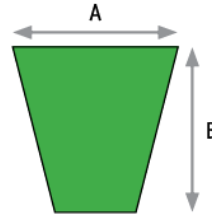
- Lay another row of red feather shape. Pin and stitch into place. Repeat this process of pinning and stitching with yellow, blue and red felt feather shapes. Cut the feather shape down to individual feathers if required.
- Place other plain wing shape mirror image to the wing covered in felt feathers. Repeat step 7 and 8.



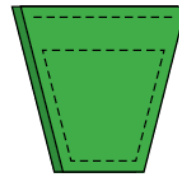
- Place the feathered wings and back of the wings wrong sides together. Stitch the top of the wings and the centre edges together. Clip any excess feathers.
- Flip the bottom row of feathers up and stitch the curve of the wing together.
- Glue feather boa onto the straight edges of each wing.

TAIL

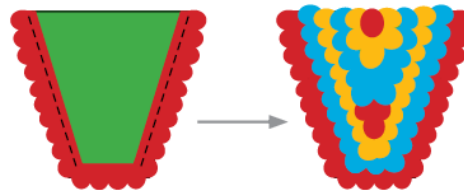
- Measure and note the following measurements:
A. Back width
B. Waist to knee
- Cut out the two felt shapes using the measurements to create a tail.



- Stitch the two tail shapes together. Stitch along the top and around the bottom of the tail shape (as pictured below).



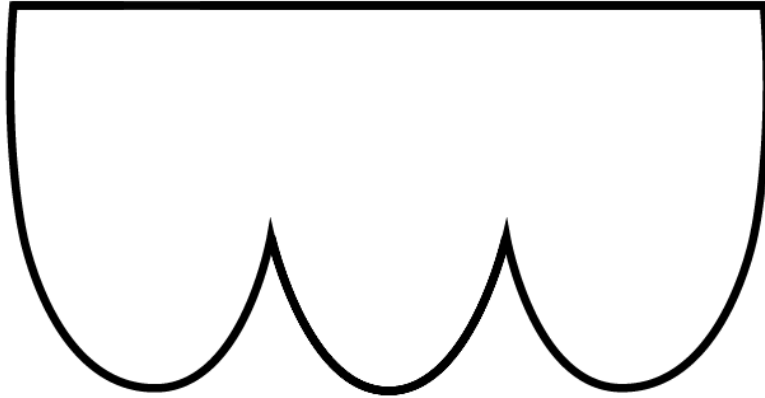
- Glue the felt feathers onto the tail. Starting with the red felt. Fill the tail with feathers.



- Thread the sequin trim through the gap at the top of the tail. Secure together with a safety pin.



Feather template



Pirate Hat template

