

Fabric Flower Pen

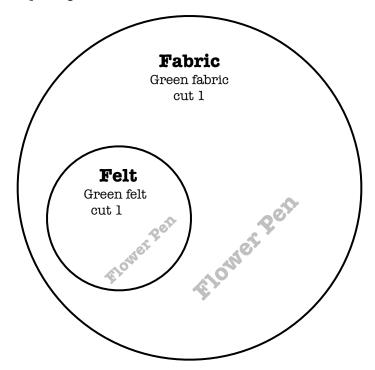


Materials:

\Box	1 La Todera Proud Poppy (or ot	her)
	flower, prepared, without pin	
	backing	
	Felt	
	Disposable stick pen	
	Green fabric	
	Nickel or similar sized coin	
	Rubber band	
	Thread	
	Floral tape	
	Hot glue gun and sticks	

Preparation:

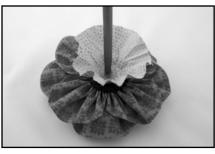
Photocopy or trace templates from clear plastic and cut out. Cut fabric with templates. Trim felt circle with pinking shears if desired.



Instructions:



1. Hot glue felt circle to back of flower. Place fabric circle face down. Place nickel in center. Gather fabric tightly around nickel with rubber band. Hot glue flat surface to center of felt circle.



2. Remove rubber band and nickel. Apply a generous puddle of hot glue to center of fabric circle where nickel was. Stand end of pen in hot glue. Hold until glue cools. (Tip- if you are impatient for the glue to dry, hit it with a few blasts of canned air- the kind you use to dust your computer keyboard or sewing machine!)



3. Gather fabric edges around pen. Starting about 1" down from flower, wrap with thread to secure.



4. Begin to wrap pen 'stem' with floral tape. Start where thread wrap began, and continue to bottom of pen, leaving about 1/4" of pen exposed at tip. Continue wrapping back up pen to base, break floral tape, and smooth tape edges. **Done!**