



## National Sewing month Bonus Download: Felt Pins Designer: Patti Milazzo

I have a thing for small hand-made items....they're cute! And these little felt pins are just that. They make a great accessory to a sweater, sweat jacket, a purse, tote bag or even a hat. And these small projects easy to finish and are a nice way to try out techniques – like embroidery – you might be unfamiliar with. Two of my favorite tools for these projects include the 18 mm Stick Rotary Cutter and the Scallop Fabric Shears – they made cutting a breeze especially for small shapes and the scalloped decorative edge on the posey. For easy and consistent sizing, use your Shape Templates to trace the shapes onto felt. So, grab your felt scraps, some embroidery thread and have fun!

## **Supply List:**

Fiskars Brands: 99947097 Non Stick No. 5 Micro-Tip® Scissors

Fiskars Brands: 9997 7097 Non-Stick #8 Bent Scissors

Fiskars Brands: 98917097 Scallop Fabric Shears

Fiskars Brands: 12-59777097 12-in-1 Sewing Multi-Tool

Fiskars Brands: 12-97977097 18 mm Stick Rotary Cutter

Fiskars Brands: 12-83707097 12" x 18" Cutting Mat

Fiskars Brands: 4850 7097 ShapeTemplate™ Tool - Circles-1 w/Scallop Border

Fiskars Brands: 4851 7097 ShapeTemplate™ Tool – Oval -1 w/Cloud Border

Fiskars Brands: 4855 7097 ShapeTemplate™ Tool – Hearts

Other: felt and fabric scraps; embroidery thread & needle; fiber fill; white & black fabric pens; pins; pin backs

*Tip: If you are unsure how to do basic embroidery stitches – google “basic embroidery stitches” for more information.*



## **Crazy Quilted Heart Pin Instructions:**

1. Trace and cut 5 – 2 ½” hearts (3 different colors) from felt.
2. Stack 3 hearts one on top of the other; line them up carefully then cut the hearts into uneven shapes.



3. On one of the remaining solid hearts; place 3 different colored shapes to form a tri-color heart pieced together; and pin in place.



4. Use decorative stitches along the seams between colors.

5. Embroider flowers and leaves (Lazy Daisy Stitch and French Knot) on heart pieces.

6. Layer final solid heart under stitched pieces and Blanket Stitch around entire heart.

7. Stitch pin backing to back of felt design to complete.

*Note: Do not use the Rotary Cutter with the Shape Templates. Either use the Ultra ShapeXpress with the Templates to cut OR simply use the Templates to trace*



**Matryoshka Doll Pin Instructions:**

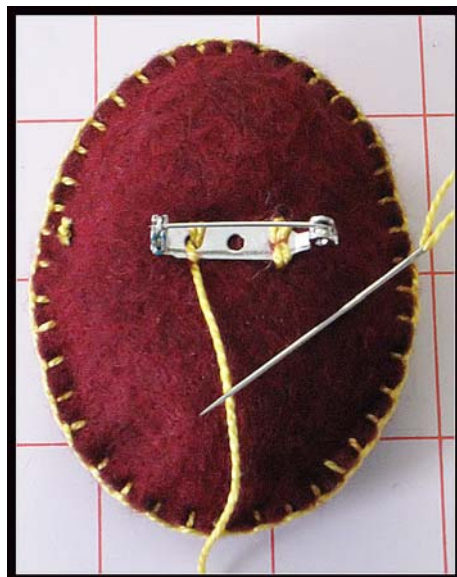
1. Cut 2 – 2 ¼” x 3” ovals from cranberry colored felt. This will be the body.
2. Cut 1 – 1 ¼” x 1 ½” oval from cream or peach colored felt. This is the face of the doll.
3. Layer the face onto the body and pin in place.



4. Do a small running stitch around the border of the face.
5. Cut 2 small circles from light pink felt and stitch x's in the center onto the face.
6. Stitch closed eyes with black thread.



7. Cut small circles from yellow felt; cut out 5 small wedges around each circle; then use a French Knot to secure to the doll as shown.
8. Use a Stitch and a Lazy Daisy Stitch to create the vines and leaves on the front of the doll.
9. Once front is complete with embroidered designs & face details, place other oval (back) behind and pin together.
10. Blanket Stitch around border of doll - when 3/4 complete add a small amount of fiber fil inside then complete Blanket Stitch to close.

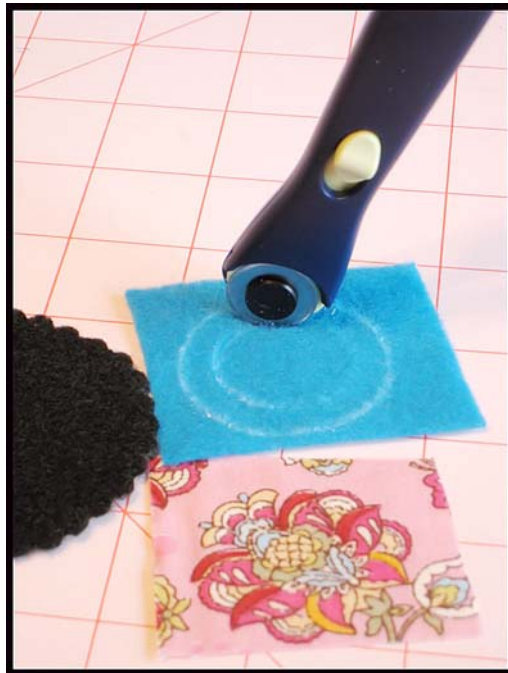


11. Stitch pin backing to back of felt design to complete.



### **Scalloped Posey Pin:**

1. Cut 1 ½” square from patterned fabric.
2. Trace 1 ½” circle and 1” circle inside the larger on teal felt. With small Stick Rotary Cutter or scissors cut and remove smaller inner circle.



3. Trim outside of teal felt with Scallop Shears.

4. Layer patterned fabric under teal scalloped ring and pin in place. Place a small amount of fiber fill under patterned fabric.
5. Machine stitch once around inner circle to secure. Remove pins and trim excess patterned fabric from under teal felt.
6. Cut 2" circles from pink (1) and red (1) felt.
7. Layer pink felt under teal felt; pin in place and trim pink felt with Scallop Shears.
8. Layer red felt under scalloped felt; pin in place and machine stitch again around teal ring.
9. Cut 2 1/2" circle from black felt; trim with Scallop Shears; layer under the other pieces and pin in place.



10. Blanket Stitch around the red felt with pink embroidery thread.
11. Stitch pin backing to back of felt design to complete.