



Instructions for Poekie Floppy Sun Hat*

(Time to complete: twenty minutes)

Materials needed:

- Paper for your printer
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Fabric
- Marker or pen for tracing
- Needle
- Thread
- Fluffy stuffing
- Skinny Elastic (clear-colored is best)

How to make it:

For an experienced Poekie maker this is easy to make. After printing and cutting the pattern,^{*2} just follow the usual steps:

- Place the patterns on an edge on the wrong side of your fabric.^{*3}
- Trace around the patterns.
- Cut **ON** the lines you traced.
- Get a needle and thread^{*5} and tie a knot at the end.^{*7}
- Do a running-stitch^{*6} along the edge of the Hat Top, as marked with the striped line on the pattern.
- Take your needle off and lay a little bit of stuffing in the middle of the Top circle.
- Thread your needle and pull your stitches tight so that it becomes a ball (just like the Poekie Pets or Rolly-Polly furniture).
- Do some stitches over the crumpled up opening until it doesn't open up anymore.
- Tie a knot and cut the thread.
- With a new thread, do a running-stitch around the inside edge of the Hat Brim, as marked with the striped line on the pattern.
- Place the ball in the center of the Brim.
- Pull on your thread so that the opening of the Brim is smaller than the ball of the Hat Top.
- Turn everything upside down and whip-stitch^{*6} the ball onto the Brim, all the way around.
- Tie a knot and cut your thread.
- Tie a fat knot into the elastic and thread it onto a needle.
- Stick from the bottom of the Brim (close to the center) up to the top of the Brim and down again to where your knot is.
- Then stick from the bottom up on the other side of the Brim and down again.
- Before you tie a knot in the elastic, make sure the elastic fits properly around your Poekie's head.
- You're done, so take your Poekie out in the world to show off his or her new hat!

I can't wait to see what you've made at home and let me know if any part of these instructions is confusing!

With love from the Poekies,

sophia

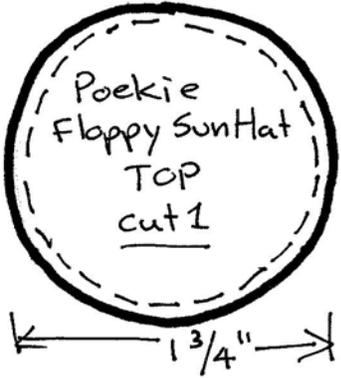
* For children age 8 and up, with parental guidance.

Warning: 1. Pins and needles' mission in life is to poke, and scissors only know how to cut. You must be careful and make sure that they poke and cut only the things that you want them to! 2. None of the materials used belong in a person's mouth, so be careful when you make this while little children are around you.

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