

Billy the Monkey

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Pattern Level: Intermediate/Advanced

Seam Allowances: 1/4" used throughout and has been added unless otherwise indicated.

Finished size: 28"

General instructions: Read all instructions before beginning. Press carefully step-by-step. Some larger pattern pieces will need to be taped together where indicated before pinning to fabric. RSF= right side facing.

Materials Needed:

1-yard brown blender

1/2 -yard tan print

Polyester stuffing, black perle cotton or embroidery floss, matching thread, wonder under or other paper backed fusible web, eye buttons (note: if giving monkey to a child use safety eyes and attach them to face before head is sewn together completely), 1" piece of 3/4" wide beige Velcro.



Cutting:

From brown cut:

- 4 ears
- 2 back of head
- 1 head center
- 2-side front
- 4 legs
- 4 arms
- 2-body front
- 2-body back

From tan cut:

- 1 upper face
- 1 upper chin
- 1 lower chin
- 2 tails

Assembly

- 1) Sew arms pieces together RSF to make 2 arms. Leave an opening along 1 side and on the short straight end. See **Fig. 1**. Sew legs, and tail together in the same manner. Clip curves on all pieces and turn right side out. Sew ears RSF, leaving straight edge open. Clip curves and turn right side out. Set aside.

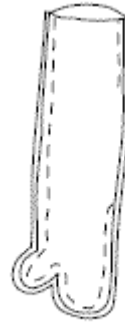


Fig. 1

- 2) Sew darts on upper chin, lower chin and head center by folding along dotted lines RSF. Match solid lines and stitch along solid lines. See **Fig 2**. Sew lower chin to upper chin RSF along seam A. Clip seam. Sew upper chin to upper face RSF along seam B, clipping and easing as necessary. See **Fig. 3**. Trace hairline triangle onto the paper side of fusible webbing, cut out roughly around the edge and following manufacturer's instructions fuse to the wrong side of brown fabric. Cut triangle out along drawn edge. Peel paper and fuse to the top center of upper face, so that it will be caught in upper seam line. Stitch around edges of triangle with matching thread and a small zigzag.



Fig. 2



Fig. 3

- 3) Baste ears in place to right side of each side front at marks, with raw edges even. Stitch each side front to a head back piece RSF along seam C. Sew head center to head side front / back pieces RSF, clipping and easing to fit. See **Fig. 4**. Sew side

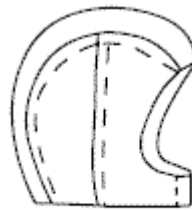


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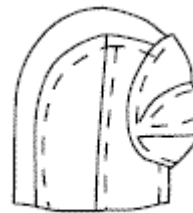
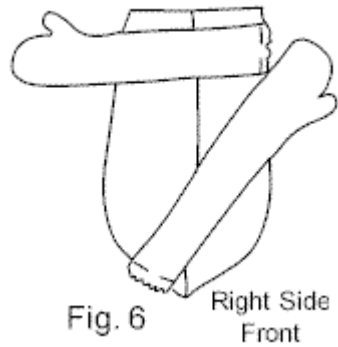


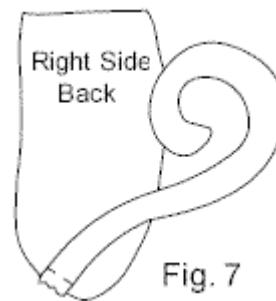
Fig. 5

fronts together RSF at seam D. Sew completed face to head RSF, matching centers and lower chin dart with seam D. See **Fig. 5**.

- 4) Sew body fronts together along center front seam RSF. Clip curves. Baste arms and legs in place at marks indicated on right side of front, keeping raw edges even. Thumbs and toes should point toward center front. See **Fig. 6**.



- 5) Baste tail in place at mark on right side of 1 back piece with raw edges even. See **Fig. 7**. Sew center back seam RSF, leaving an opening for turning and stuffing. Sew front to back along side edges RSF, leaving neck edge open. Insert head into body RSF and sew together along neck edge. Turn right side out through opening. Stuff monkey firmly then stitch openings closed. Stitch along stitching lines for feet through all layers.



- 6) Sew eyes in place, placement is indicated by dots on the upper face pattern. Use perle cotton or embroidery floss to make French knots for nostrils at dots indicated on upper chin pattern. Using the same thread stitch a backstitch along seam A for a mouth. Sew Velcro to both palms so hands can be clasped together for hanging.

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