

Bunny Cushion

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TO CUT

See pattern sheet for pattern pieces

If using an old pair of jeans, cut up the trouser leg from the hem on the inside leg seam. You will then have a large piece of fabric with a seam from the outside leg running down the centre of the fabric, this seam makes the centre line of the front of the bunny cushion.

Main fabric/denim:

- Cut 1 body for front (1)
- Cut 1 pair ears (2)
- Cut off the two rear patch pockets from the jeans for the closed eyes

Coordinating/floral fabric:

- Cut 1 body for back (1)
- Cut 1 pair ears (2)

TO SEW

- Using the pattern provided (see pattern sheet) trace the heart shaped tummy and tail onto the appliqué paper. Use a pencil on the side of the paper that resembles tracing paper to trace the shapes, not the rough glue side. Roughly cut around each shape leaving a 1cm gap from the outline of the pattern. Using a hot iron on steam setting, iron the tummy on to the wrong side of the floral fabric and iron the tail on to the wrong side of the denim. Cut out accurately.

- Peel off the paper to reveal the glue side. Place the tummy on to the denim front body and iron in place. Repeat this process with the tail on the floral back body piece.
- Using a zigzag or appliqué stitch, sew the appliqué tummy and tail in place.



MATERIALS

For this project we upcycled pre-loved clothes and home textiles:

- A scarf
- Stuffing – I recycled the insides of an old pillow
- Bootcut jeans that have become very soft
- Button for nose
- Appliqué paper/fusible web

GOOD TO KNOW

- Use 1.5cm seam allowance throughout.
- Finished cushion size is approx. 45cm x 30cm.
- I used threads that coordinated with the fabrics, but check your sewing box first as contrasting thread can look equally pleasing.
- Choose a cuddly feeling plain fabric for the body, ears and tail. Well washed denim has been used for this version but velvet would work equally as well.
- Transfer all notches on to your fabric.
- The rear patch pockets from the jeans have been used to give our bunny the closed eyelid detail.
- If using thinner fabric, thicken with iron on interfacing.
- Read through all instructions before starting.