



# Giraffe Toy Pattern

or "Lamaraffe" (according to my husband)

This toy is so simple and fun to make, that you can easily personalise and put your unique stamp on.

I call it a giraffe, my husband jokes and calls it a Lama-raffe and I guess in the right fabric it could even be a zebra.

It is so versatile, so let your imagination run wild and make lots of these cute soft toys!

What You'll Need (this will vary slightly depending what type of animal you are making):

Felt or fabric in the colours of your choice, embroidery thread to match, needle, sewing scissors, pins, toy filling and a range of matching, various size ribbons to create tags.

You may also like to add buttons for eyes or different trims & extra textures to decorate. Add bells or other sounds to the inside to help your child learn and develop.

## Directions:

1. Cut out two of the giraffe body pattern in the colour felt or fabric that you have selected. You may even want to use different fabric/felt colours for each side of the toy. Fun and bright colours work best, as well as plain one side and pattern on the other.

2. Pin together and add any extra textures, decorations or ribbon tags into place.

3. Use a simple blanket stitch right around the outside, remembering to stop and stuff the toy with toy filling before closing it up.

If you are adding bells or other sounds to the inside, don't forget to put these in before you finish stitching the outside of the toy.

4. You can also decorate the outside of the toy, such as adding buttons for eyes or writing on words like I have using embroidery thread.

Giraffe Body  
(cut two)

To give it more of a giraffe look (and something I suppose I should have done) is to add ribbons to the top of the head with a knot tied in the ribbons to create the little knobs found on a giraffe's head.

If you plan to use the pattern for a Zebra toy, you may wish to shorten the neck and add some trim to the back of the neck.

No matter what animal you make be sure to have fun with it and make this toy something your child will love to hold on to and play with. Bright colours, textures and sounds are a fantastic way of educating your baby.

