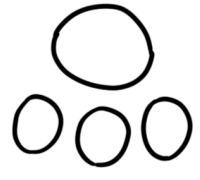
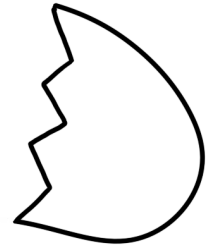


Make a Vibrissa hand puppet

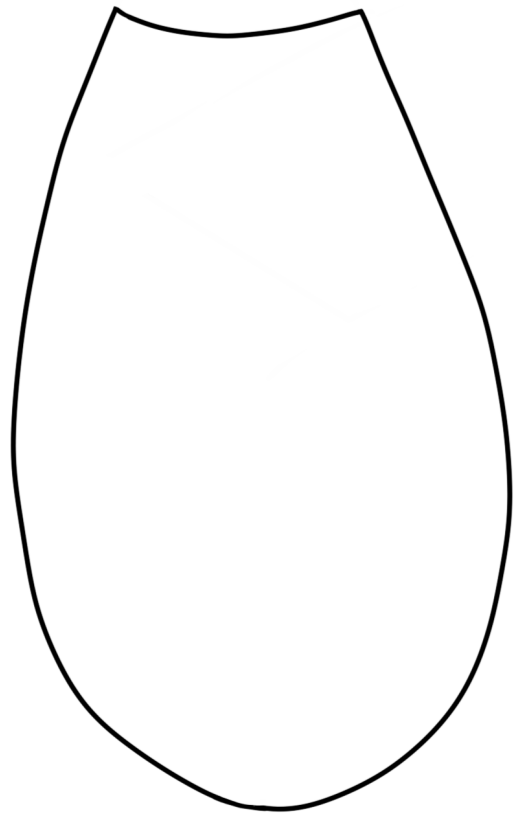


Paw pads:
cut 2 sets from white felt

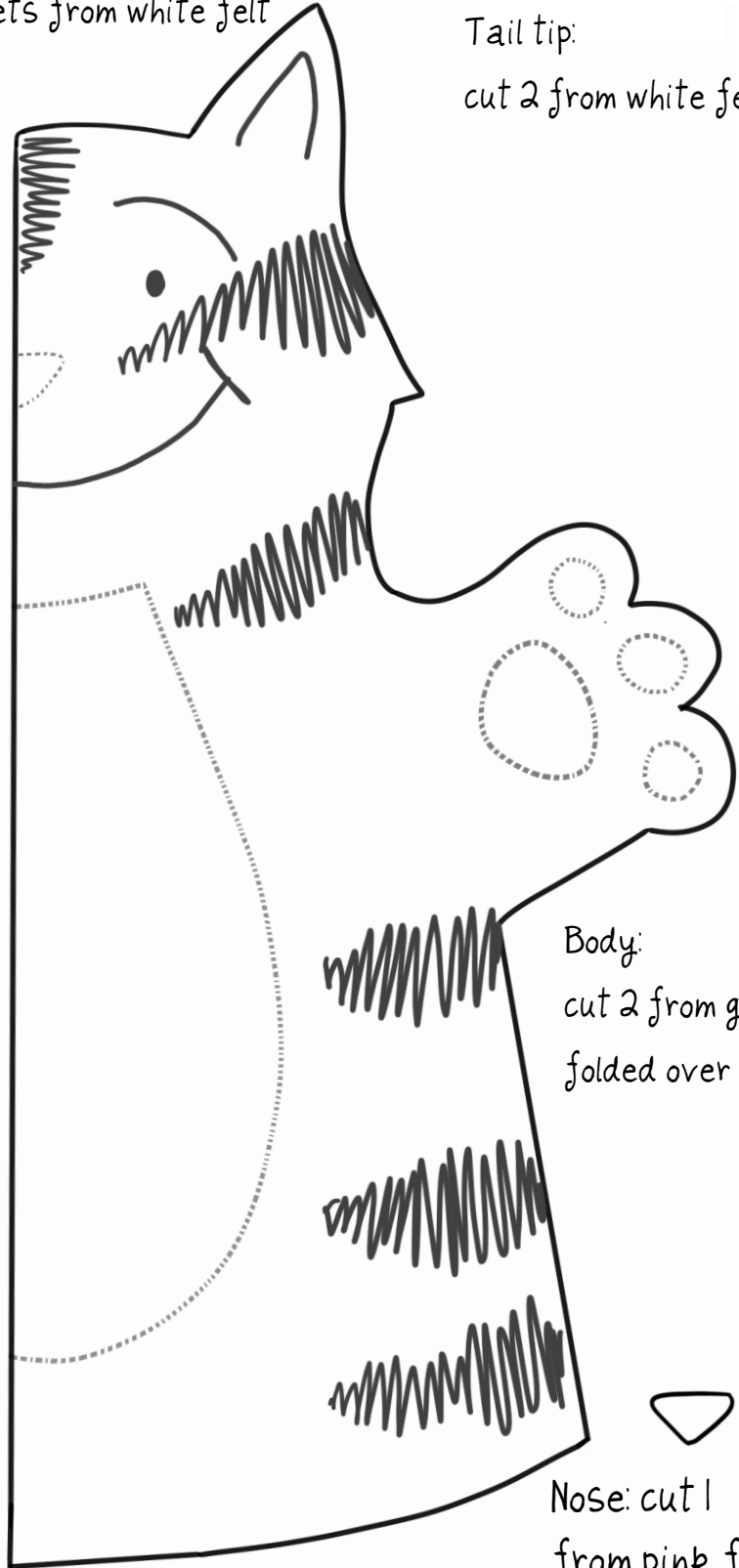


Tail tip:
cut 2 from white felt

Tummy:
cut 1 from white felt



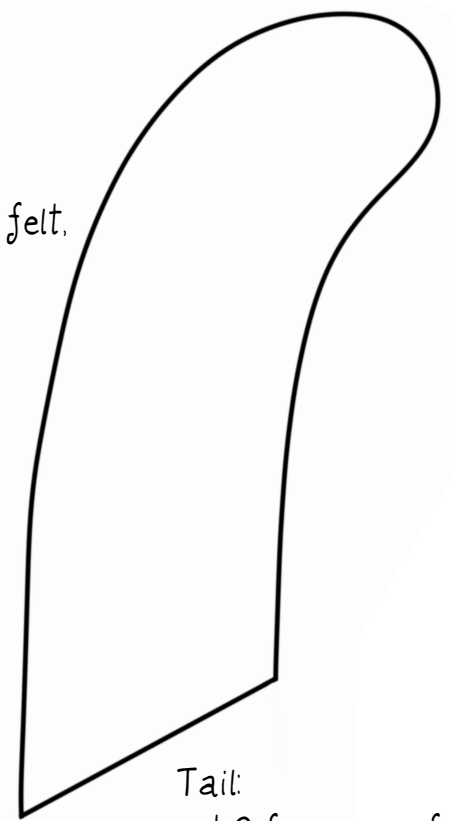
This line goes along the fold.



Body:
cut 2 from grey felt,
folded over



Nose: cut 1
from pink felt



Tail:
cut 2 from grey felt

Instructions

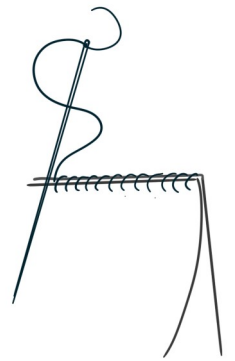
You need grey, white and pink felt, and a bit of black embroidery silk.



Cut out all the pattern pieces remember to cut the body on folded pieces, so you have a front and a back with two arms each! Before you start sewing, draw Vibrissa's stripes with a grey or black sharpie or paint marker. Stripes go on her front and her back, and on the grey tail pieces. Copy the eyes, eyebrows and mouth from the pattern.

Sewing

Use plain white cotton thread and a simple whip stitch (look at the diagram) to sew the puppet.



Back

Sew the white tail tips onto the tail pieces, then sew the tail pieces together, leaving the straight cut end open. Stuff some cotton wool or scraps of felt into the tail to keep it in shape. Pin and sew the tail on to the back of Vibrissa's body.

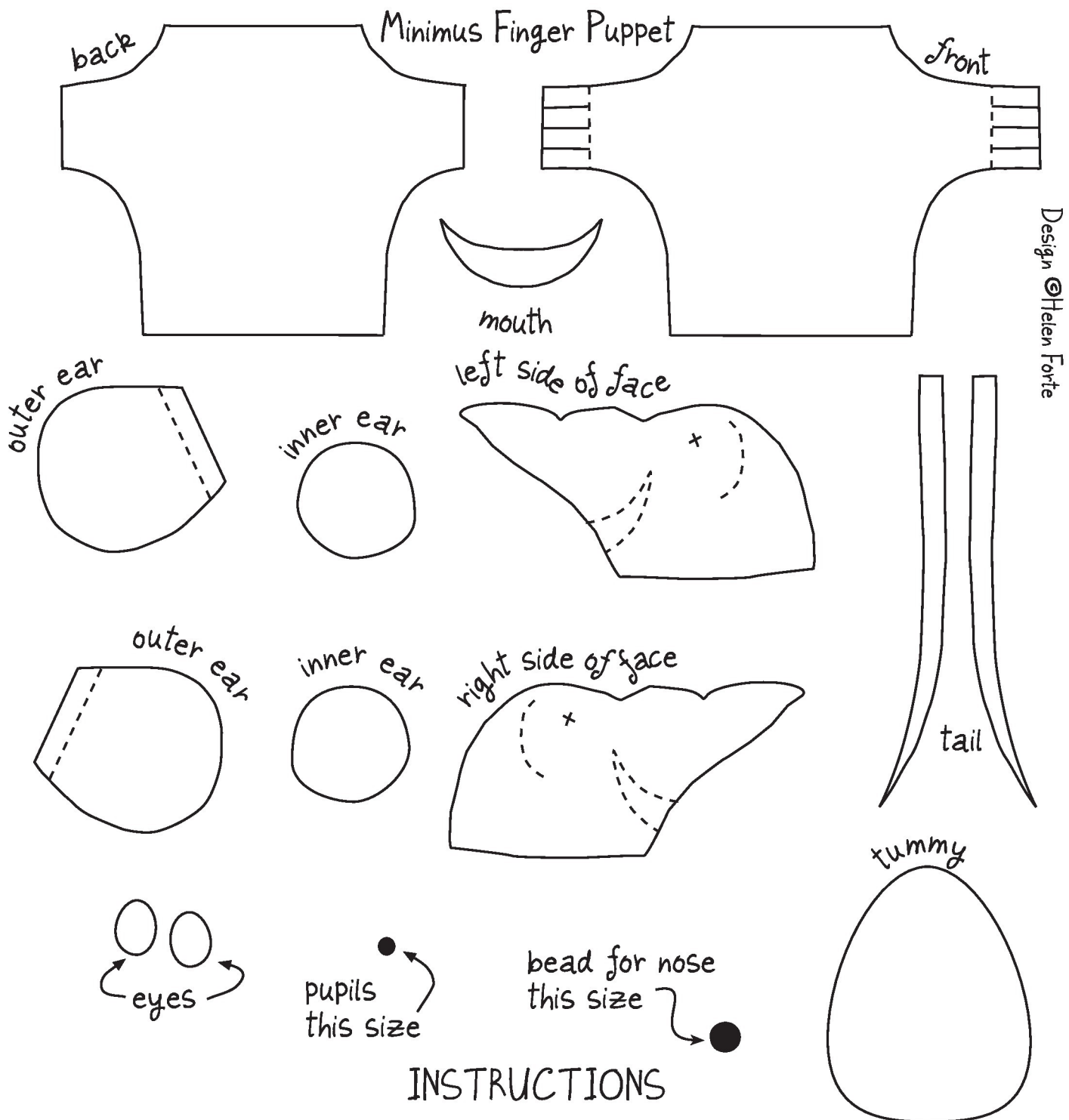
Front

Sew the tummy, nose and paw pads on, using the dotted lines on the pattern to help with placement. Add 3 whiskers on each side, using embroidery silk.

Sew the front to the back, all the way round, leaving the opening at the bottom for your hand!

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INSTRUCTIONS

Cut out the pieces from felt, with no seam allowance. Use matching thread where possible. Face pieces, front, back, tail and outer ears are chocolate brown. Tummy and inner ears are light brown, mouth is red, eyes are white.

Sew the tummy onto the front and the inner ears onto the outer ears.

Sew the ears onto the face, along the lines shown dashed in the pattern.

Sew the face pieces together. Sew the mouth on.

Sew the eyes on, not round the edges but just where the x's are, using black thread or a tiny black bead. Sew a black bead onto the end of the nose, and sew whiskers through the bead.

Sew front to back then carefully sew the head onto the body.

Contact me if you have any problems (DrForte@aol.com)

