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in the Middle*

Raccoons in Love Throw Pillows Skill Level: Beginner

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Bring the wild into your world with a friendly bandit on your sofa. He's not a burglar but he will steal your heart for Valentine's Day! This fun and simple raccoon pillow includes options for hand stitching, adding machine stitched embellishments, or even a no-sew appliqué version.

Fabrics Needed

One 17" fabric square
Two 12" x 17" fabric rectangles
Three coordinating felt 9" x 12" rectangles

Materials Needed

Pellon [®] 805R Wonder-Under [®]	One package
Pellon [®] 16" x 16" Pillow Insert	One
Freezer Paper (optional)	
Thread	

Tools Needed

Sewing machine and related supplies

Instructions

Print the pattern and trace onto the freezer paper. Cut out the pieces.

NOTE: The freezer paper step can be eliminated if desired. Trace the template directly onto the paper side of the Wonder-Under®. Roughly cut out the Wonder-Under® leaving 1/4" around each piece. Fuse the rough side of the Wonder-Under® to one side of the felt. Cut out the felt on the drawn lines. Remove the Wonder-Under® paper.

The direction of the pattern of the raccoon will be reversed if the freezer paper is eliminated.

Iron the freezer paper pieces onto the felt. Make sure the shiny side of the paper is facing the felt.

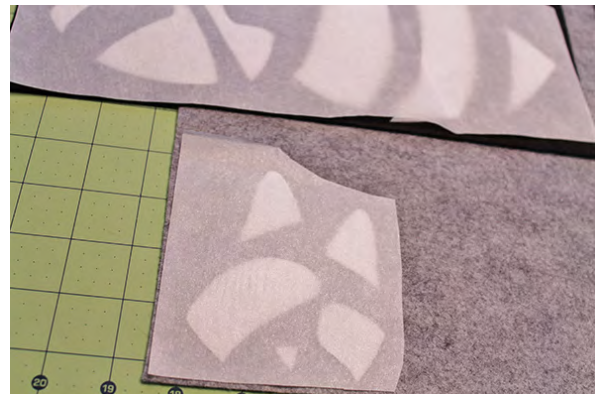
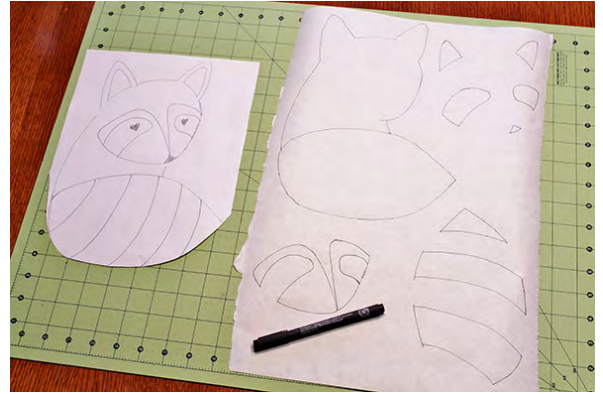
Measure the pieces to determine how much Wonder-Under® will be needed. Cut the large pieces of Wonder-Under® to those measurements.

Fuse the Wonder-Under® to the side of the felt opposite the freezer paper following manufacturer's instructions.

Cut out all pieces. Remove the freezer paper.

Peel paper backing off of the Wonder-Under® on the back of the main felt piece. Place as desired on the right side of the 17" square of fabric. Fuse felt to fabric following manufacturer's instructions.

HINT: Score the paper-backing with a pin to help with removal.



Peel paper-backing off all the remaining pieces except the eyes and nose. Place the pieces on the raccoon body and fuse following manufacturer's instructions.

Repeat this step with the eyes and nose.



Sewing Option 1:

If desired, use embroidery floss to hand stitch details onto the felt raccoon before finishing pillow. See photo for example.



Sewing Option 2:

If desired, machine stitch around each layer of felt applied before finishing pillow. See photo for example.



Hem one 17" edge of both 12" x 17" pieces. Fold in 1/2". Press and repeat with 1" fold to cover raw edge. Topstitch close to inside folded edge.

With the 17" square right side up, place one 12" x 17" rectangle right side down, aligning raw edges.

Place the remaining 12" x 17" rectangle right side down on the opposite side of the square, aligning raw edges.

The hemmed edges will overlap.

Pin and stitch around all edges with a 1/2" seam allowance. Within the seam allowance, stitch around the pillow with a zigzag stitch or use pinking shears to finish seam.

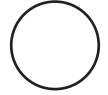
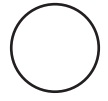
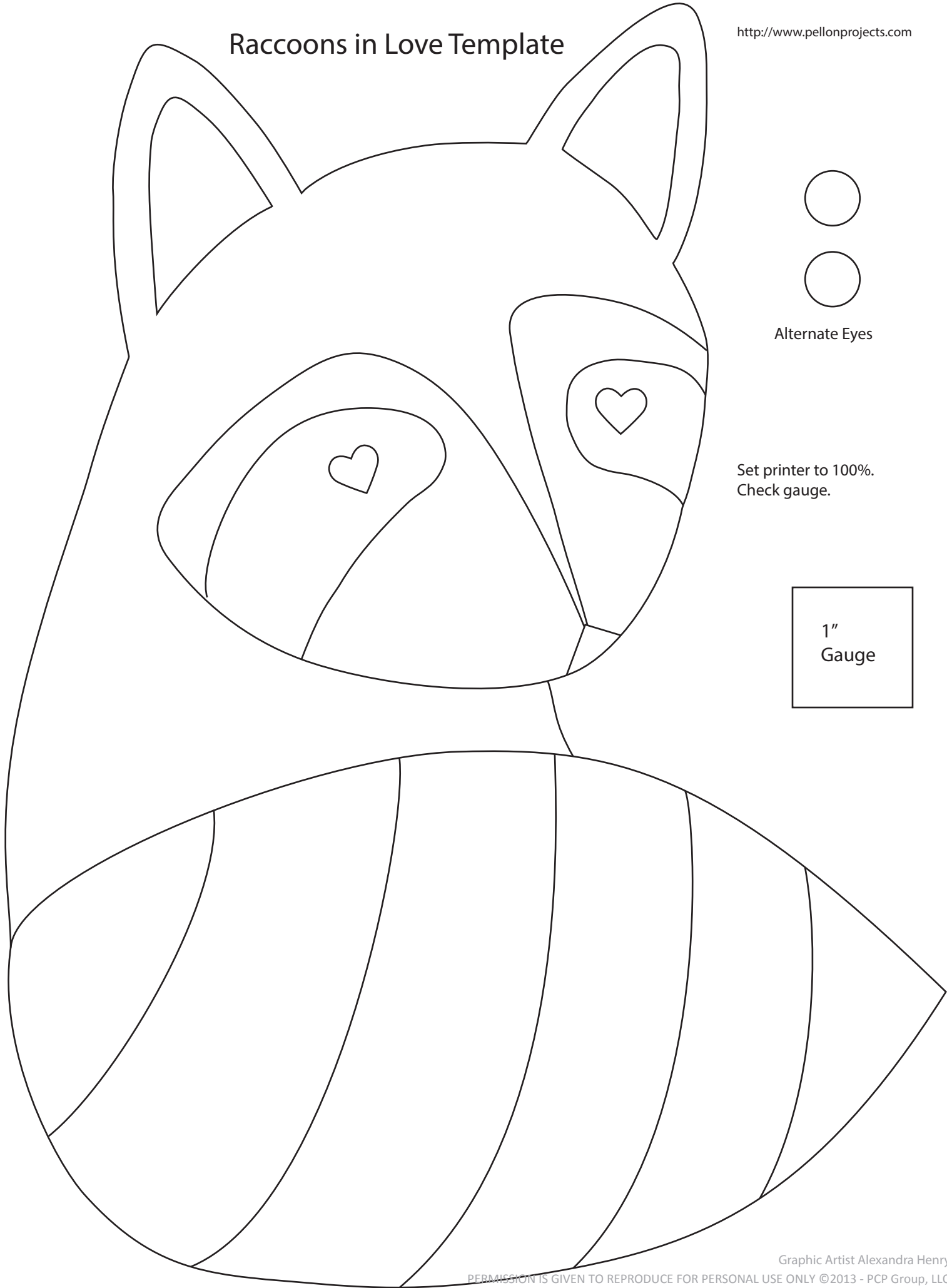
Trim corners and turn pillow right side out.

Insert pillow form.



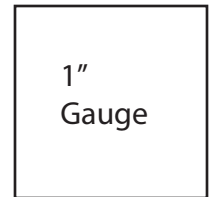
Raccoons in Love Template

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Alternate Eyes

Set printer to 100%.
Check gauge.



1"
Gauge