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Beginner



Hot Air Balloon Mobile

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SUPPLIES & TOOLS:

- 1 fat quarter each of 3 different patterned fabrics
- 1 yard decorative fabric B
- 1 pkg Pellon® Forever Loft® Latex Fill
- 1 pkg Pellon® SF101 Shape-Flex®
- 1 pkg Pellon® 987F Fusible Fleece
- One 1" x 3" rectangle Pellon® 72F Peltex® II
- One craft-sized package Pellon® Nature's Touch® White Cotton Batting
- Hot air balloon templates
- Embroidery thread
- Twine
- Dowel, embroidery hoop or stick for hanging
- Sewing machine and related supplies
- Iron and ironing board
- Invisible marking pen

DIRECTIONS: Follow manufacturer's instructions for application of all interfacing. All seams are $\frac{1}{8}$ " unless other indicated. RST = Right Sides Together

1. Increase the size of the templates on a copier by 200% and print. Gauge should measure 1" when enlarged. Check gauge. Cut out templates.
2. Trace two balloon templates onto wrong side of each patterned fabric and cut out. Trace six balloon templates onto Fusible Fleece and cut out $\frac{1}{4}$ " smaller than traced line.
3. Fuse one Fusible Fleece to wrong side of each balloon fabric.
4. Determine layout of fabrics. Place first two RST and sew along one edge. Place third piece RST with one edge and sew. Continue until all pieces have been joined, making sure to leave a 3" gap along one seam for turning.
5. Turn right side out through gap. Using embroidery thread, add a loop to both the top and bottom of the balloon for hanging and addition of the basket.
6. Using Forever Loft®, stuff balloon to desired level of fill. Handstitch opening closed.
7. Cut two 1" x 3" rectangles of fabric and one 1" x 3" rectangle of Peltex® II for balloon basket.
8. Place fabric rectangles wrong sides together with Peltex® II in between and fuse. Stitch around all four edges with a zig-zag or satin stitch.
9. To form basket, bring short ends together and handstitch in place. Connect basket to bottom of balloon with embroidery thread.
10. Fuse Shape-Flex® to one side of batting. Trace both small and large cloud templates twice onto Shape-Flex®, then flip and repeat. Carefully cut out all eight cloud pieces. Embroider or decorate as desired.
11. Place two coordinating pieces with Shape-Flex® sides together and sew around the edges, leaving a small gap. Stuff with Forever Loft® to desired level of fill and sew the gap closed. Repeat with remaining three clouds.
12. Attach hot air balloon and clouds to dowel, stick, or embroidery hoop to create mobile!



1"
Gauge

Skill Level: Beginner

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