

Huggy Bear Body Pattern

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Supplies needed:

1/4 yard Doe Suede fabric, Teddy bear joints 30mm Cable ties, Pins, *Fabric Glue (Optional)

* Note: An excellent fabric glue, Sophies Glue. To order Email: dollsetc220@comcast.net

Instructions:

Cut out all pieces. Mark dots and darts on front and back torso. Mark dots on all shoulder cap pieces. Stitch all darts on torso back and front pieces as marked and press.

*For best results, we recommend stuffing and weighting the body, arms, legs and head according to the instructions given on DVD, "Life-like Reborning Course with Master Artist Debbie Henshaw"

http://www.expressionsdolls.com/videos.html



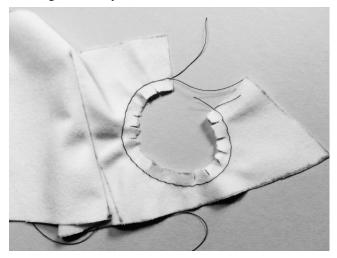




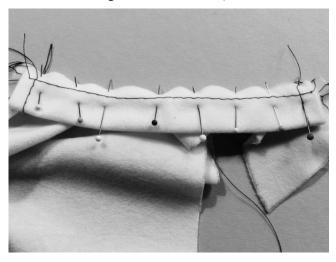


Leg Bands

- 1. Cut crotch seam line and carefully cut out leg openings.
- 2. Stay stitch around leg opening seam lines. Clip curve to stitching 1/4 inch apart.



- 3. Fold in short ends of leg bands on fold lines and glue down or stitch close to raw edges.
- 4. Fold leg bands in half lengthwise wrong side together and stitch raw edges together along stitching line.
- 5. Match raw edges and pin leg bands to leg opening seam on right side of torso fronts. (Align folded ends of leg bands with stitching line of crotch seam.)



- 6. Stitch leg opening seam and leg band together through 3 layers of fabric.
- 7. Stitch crotch seam right sides together. Use zipper foot here to stitch close to bulky ends
- 8. Match front torso seams and stitch right sides together.

Neck Band

Stitch neck band to torso in a similar manner as leg bands

- 1. Hem short ends. (Glue or stitch close to raw edge)
- 2. Fold lengthwise and stitch raw edges together along seam line.
- 3. Stay stitch around neck opening. Clip curve to stitching every 1/4 inch.
- 4. Pin band to body matching raw edges with right sides together. Align the folded end of band with stitch line of center back.
- 5. Stitch neck band to body through 3 layers of fabric.

Torso

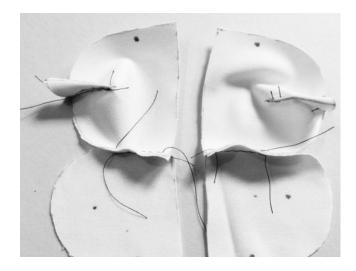
- 6 Stitch short center back seam to close circle.
- 7. Right sides together, stitch center back torso seam.
- 8. Right sides together, pin back torso to front torso, matching center seams. Stitch and clip curves.

Attaching the Legs

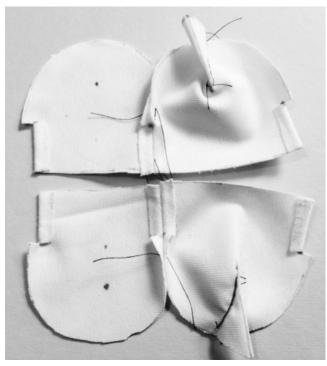
9. With torso sewn, you can attach the legs when ready. Thread small cable ties through the casing in the leg band. Position the right and left leg with appropriate leg band. Align the cable ties with the groove in the leg. Thread the end of the tie through the connector and pull to tighten taking care that the leg is in a natural position before tightening completely.

Shoulder Caps

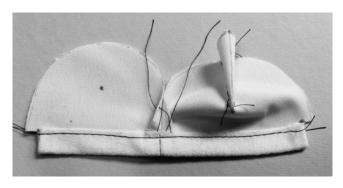
- 1. Stitch darts on outer shoulder cap pieces. Press dart flat.
- 2. Right sides together matching edge of outer and inner shoulder caps, stitch side seam on seam line a few stitches past the dot as shown. Stitch both caps taking care that you have 2 opposites as shown.



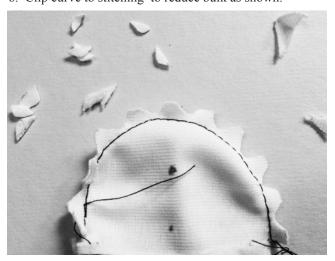
3. Casing: Clip to dots on each side and glue down seam allowance or stitch down close to raw edge as shown..



4. On wrong side fold along fold line, press and stitch hem close to raw edge, forming casing.



- 5. Match raw edges of outer and inner shoulder cap pieces. Pin and stitch curved seam from dot to dot.
- 6. Clip curve to stitching to reduce bulk as shown.



Turn right side out.

- 7. Cut tiny hole where dot is marked on each shoulder cap. Insert prongs of teddy bear joints from inside of arm caps through the holes.
- 8. Determine which cap is to be positioned on the left and the right arm. Position the cap on each arm so that the darted side is away from body and the open end of the casing is at the back side of the arm.

 Attach Shoulder Caps to Torso

Attaching the Arms

9. Cut tiny holes as shown by dots on torso. Align hole in plastic washer with hole on the inside of the torso, flat side against fabric. Insert the screw prong through the hole in the fabric and the through the washer. While holding the discs of washer and screw together insert the prong into the lock washer holding lock washer flat side toward plastic washer. Press the 3 discs together firmly.



10. When you are ready to attach the arms, run small cable ties through the casing. Stuff the caps. Position each arm aligning the casing with the groove in the arm. Thread the end of the cable tie through the connector. Tighten cable tie to secure. Clip off excess tie.

Attaching the Head

11. Finish stuffing the torso and the head. Attach the head in the same manner as the legs and arms, running a cable tie through the casing. Tighten just so the head can be turned from side to side.

