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Bunny Napkin Rings



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Whether you celebrate Easter or just love spring bunnies these little napkin rings will make a fun addition to your dining table this month!

I adore projects like this that create something both pretty and useful out of next to nothing - the materials needed are minimal as they're all handstitched from scraps of felt with a little jute ribbon to form the napkin ring itself. Jute ribbon is readily available from craft shops, and also on eBay as it's really popular for weddings.

Each bunny face measures just over 2 ½" tall.

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Materials

- 12" square white felt
- Scraps of pale blue, brown and pale pink felt
- Stranded cotton floss in white, pale pink brown, pale blue and black
- 24" x 1" wide jute ribbon
- Toy stuffing
- Temporary fabric marker pen
- Bondaweb

Method

- Using the full size template and your temporary fabric marker trace around the rabbit head shape onto your white felt. (1) Don't cut the shapes out yet as it's easier to work on them all in one piece.
- Using the reverse template trace the markings onto the paper side of your Bondaweb. Cut out roughly and fuse to your blue or brown felt. Peel off paper backing, position on rabbit

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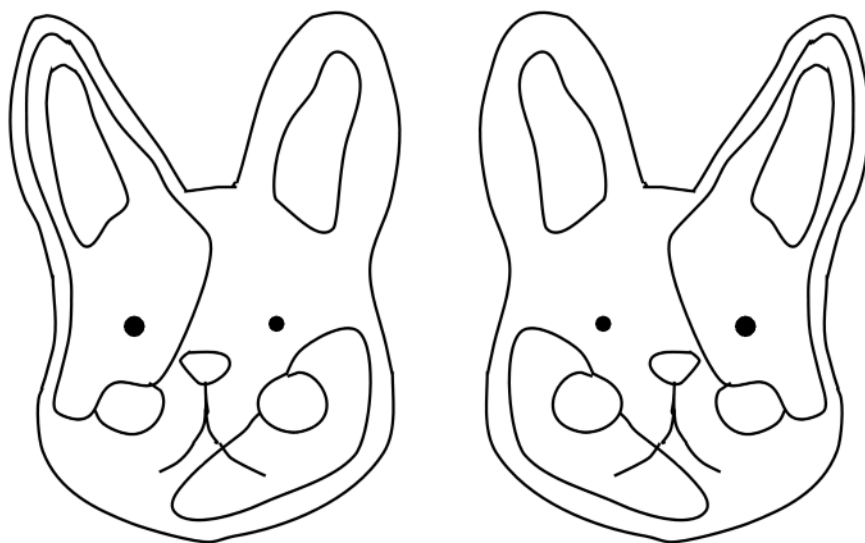


head shapes and fuse into place with a hot iron using a cloth to protect your work.

- Using the template as a guide draw the rabbit features onto the head shapes.
- Secure the applique to the head with two strands of matching floss and short straight stitches worked at right angles to the edge of the shape.
- Add features using 2 strands of floss. The eyes, nose and cheeks are satin stitch, while the mouth is back stitch. Work tiny stitches in black to represent whiskers.
- Cut out heads, and also cut out second head shape from white felt for each face
- Join the two head shapes together with blanket stitch and 2 strands of floss. Stuff lightly as you go to give the head a nice rounded shape.
- Cut your jute ribbon into 6" lengths and join the ends to form a circle.
- Sew the rabbit head to the circle to cover the join in the ribbon.
- FINISHED!

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Template is full size and also reversed
for tracing onto the paper side of your
Bondaweb





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Why do we love to stitch? After all you can purchase mass-produced textile items at many high streets stores for very little cost. These days handmade means something special - a unique item created with love, a gift from the heart, not one that can be bought.

Hand stitching is also a great way to personalise an item, or perhaps to breathe new life into an old favourite that has seen better days.

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