



Woodland Mini Tubs



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These little tubs would make great gifts - maybe filled with sweets or lovely scented products.

They'd be great for craft fairs and other fundraising events too as they're super-easy to make - and don't need too many materials either. As they're so simple to assemble they'd be great for children to make too.

Badger tub is 5" tall x 5" diameter and fox tub is 3" tall x 4" diameter. (Excluding ears)

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Materials

Badger

- 6" x 24" white wool blend felt
- 6" x 24" lining use felt or another woolly type of fabric that's a reasonable weight so your tub sides will stand up nicely.
- Scraps of black felt
- Stranded cotton floss in grey, brown, black and white

Fox

- 5" x 20" foxy red wool blend felt
- 5" x 20" lining as for badger
- Scraps of black and white felt
- Stranded cotton floss in foxy red, black and white

For both

- Bondaweb
- Fabric spray adhesive

Method

- Cut out all pieces from the full size templates, remembering to extend them at the sides as directed.
- Trace the animal face markings onto the paper side of your Bondaweb. Cut out roughly. Fuse to the reverse of your felt and cut out smoothly. Peel off the paper backing and position on the tub exteriors using the photographs as a guide. (Note: cut the fox face markings in one piece - see photo below and then position the nose on top).
- When you're happy with the positioning fuse into place using a hot iron and protecting the felt with a cloth.
- Stitch the shapes into place with short straight stitches worked at right angles to the edges of the shapes using two strands of matching floss.
- The eyes are satin stitch. The tox's eyes are black and the badger's are brown

(black simply wouldn't have shown up). Make the eyes sparkle with a tiny white stitch.

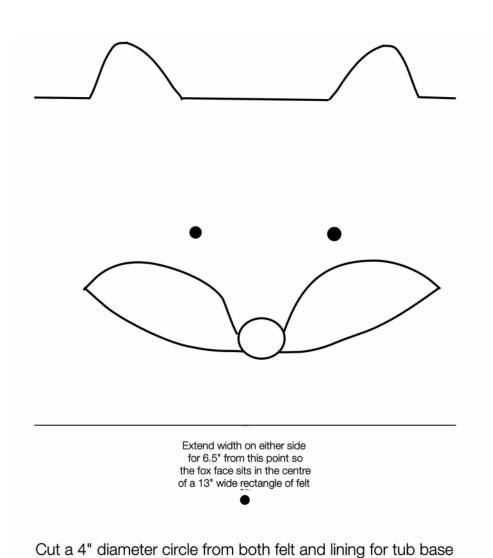
- Stitch fox ear details in back stitch using two strands of white thread.
- When your animal faces are finished press lightly on the reverse.
- Now assemble the tubs. Place the lining pieces face down on a clean flat surface and spray with fabric adhesive. Place the exterior pieces on top and press down so they adhere to each other.
- Work a decorative cross stitch along the top edge. Do this by working whip stitch over the edges all the way along in one direction, then return in the other direction to complete the stitch.
- Join the two short edges in the same way and then insert the base.
- Your tubs are now finished.

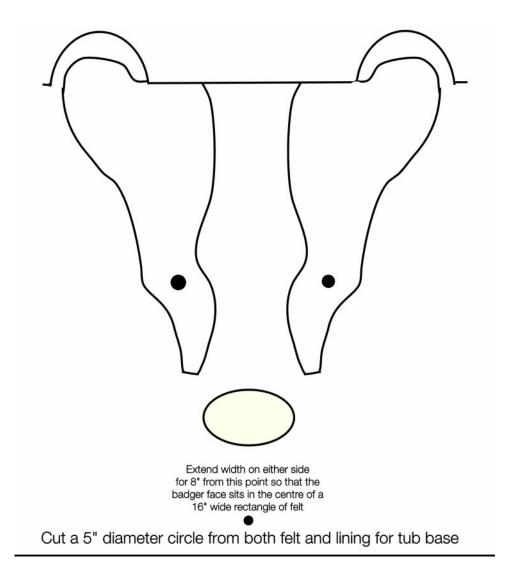




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Templates are full size, but will need extending at the sides as shown







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