

Comfort Bear Instructions (Cont'd)

1. Tape the bottom edge of the bear pattern to the bottom of the bear at the dotted line. Use scissors to cut the bear pattern along the outline. Trace on to a piece of template plastic or cardstock for a permanent, reusable pattern.
2. Trace the bear shape on the wrong sides of the fabric pieces with a marking pen or pencil. Cut out leaving a quarter inch seam allowance.
3. Decide which piece will be the front and add a face. Stitch a pre-embroidered design with your favorite method (satin, button hole, raw edge..) or design your own with floss or machine stitching.
4. Pin right sides together and stitch along the traced line, leaving a two inch opening on the side for turning.
5. Clip curves and turn right sides out. Press.
6. Stuff with stuffing. Tuck raw edges under in the opening and stitch closed.
7. Tie a ribbon around the bear's neck and attach the matching mask to the bear's arm.
8. Send the bear out into the world to bring a smile and joy to a child's face.

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