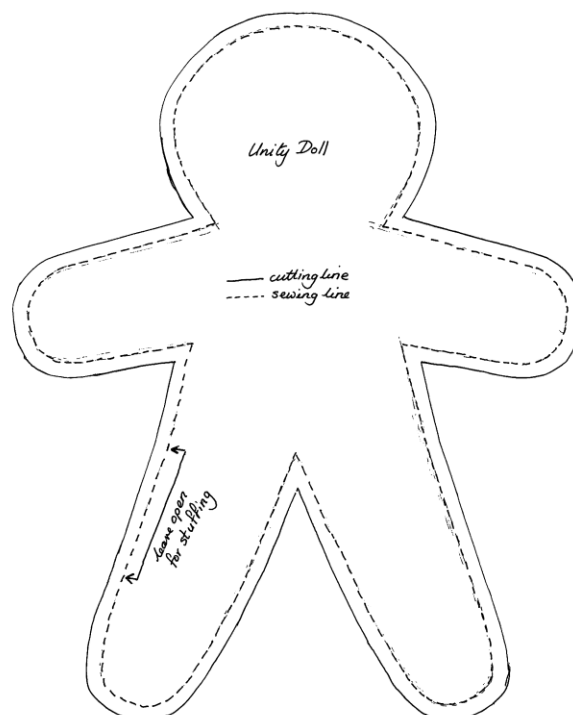


Calico Doll Instructions

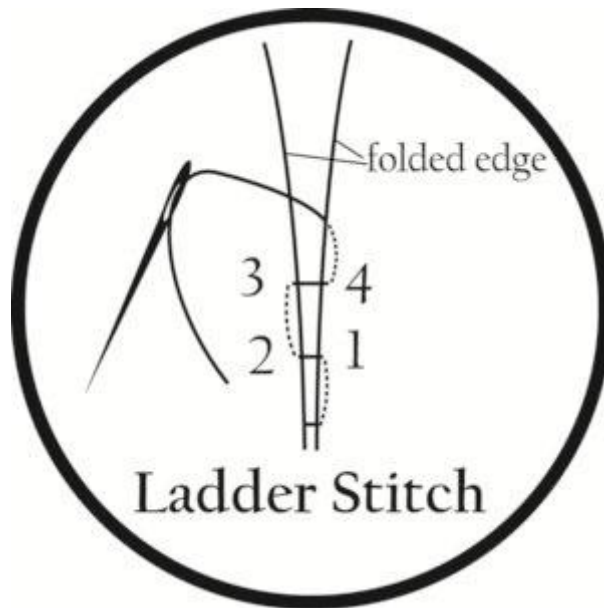
- Photocopy pattern twice. Cut out one on the cutting line and one on the sewing line.
- Fold material in half, place larger [cutting line] pattern on top pin in place and cut out.
- Centre the smaller [sewing line] pattern on top and draw round using a pencil. This gives you your stitching line.
- Mark the opening for stuffing as per pattern.
- Starting at one edge of the opening machine stitch round on the stitching line finishing at the other edge of the opening.
- Snip into seam allowance [being careful not to cut your stitching]. Make sure you snip all curves and into points at neck, underarms and at the top of the legs.
- Turn rightside out and finger press seams flat. Finger press seam allowance at opening.
- Stuff doll firmly making sure you stuff legs, arms and head well before stuffing the body.
- Ladder stitch the opening closed.



Notes

I. To create a **ladder stitch**, follow these steps:

1. **Fold the fabric edges** inward to form a seam.
2. **Sew a small stitch** along the folded edge, then take another stitch across the fold.
3. **Continue alternating stitches** horizontally between the folds, pulling the thread tight as you go.
4. Finish by pulling the thread tight to close the seam, making it invisible.



II If you're cutting out a batch of dolls at the same time fabric can be economically used by making several paper patterns of the doll and laying them out on the fabric so as to have as little waste as possible