



KimberBear™

When words are not enough this adorable bear can provide comfort for a little one in need. Designed for charitable giving, the Kimberbear is sweetly sized for tiny hands and can be packed in comfort kits prepared for children in foster care, entering emergency shelters, or receiving treatment at children's hospitals. Stitched in soft Cuddle® from Shannon Fabrics, an embroidered heart on the chest shows the Kimberbear only has love to give.

For additional copies of the Kimberbear machine embroidery instructions and to download design files, please visit kimberbell.com/kimberbear.

Materials Needed:

HOOP: 5 x 7

Embroidery Fields:

Part 1: Arms 6.17 x 4.93" or 125.3 x 156.8 mm
 Part 2: Legs 6.94 x 4.98" or 126.5 x 176.3 mm
 Part 3: Body 4.72 x 5.69" or 120.0 x 144.5 mm
 Part 4: Muzzle 4.13 x 4.47" or 105.0 x 113.6 mm
 Part 5: Head 4.94 x 6.94" or 125.5 x 176.3 mm
 Finished Size: Approximately 12 x 14"

STABILIZER: Lightweight Cut-away (No-show Mesh)

FABRIC:

Fabric 1: Bear ¼ Yard of 58-60" wide fabric
 Fabric 2: Nose Fabric Scrap
 Fabric 3: Heart Fabric Scrap

KIMBERBELL® PRODUCTS:

- KDTL100 Paper Tape

RECOMMENDED CLOVER TOOLS:

- Point 2 Point Turner
- Clip 'n Glide Bodkin

OTHER:

- Poly-fil®
- Water-soluble Topping

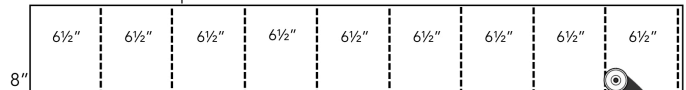
Cutting Instructions:

Fabric 1:

Arms	cut (2) 6½ x 8"
Legs	cut (2) 6½ x 8"
Body	cut (2) 6½ x 8"
Head	cut (2) 6½ x 8"
Muzzle	cut (1) 6½ x 8"

- Trim ¼ yard Cuddle® to 8" x Width of Fabric strip
- Sub-cut strip into **(9)** 6½" pieces

Cuddle® fabric strip 58-60" wide



Fabric 2:

Nose cut **(1)** 4 x 4"

Fabric 3:

Heart cut **(1)** 4 x 4"

Pattern Key



Indicates thread color change.



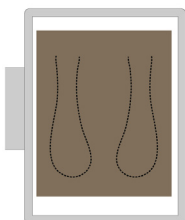
Corresponds with the specific embroidery machine step.

This pattern was designed with Cuddle® and Luxe Cuddle® by Shannon Fabrics which comes in 58-60" widths on the bolt.

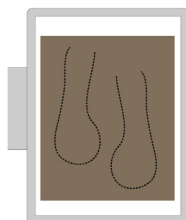
Plush fabrics like Cuddle® have a directional design or nap. This means the fabric will lay smooth when brushing your hand in the direction of the nap, compared to standing up when brushing your hand against the fabric nap. Design files will stitch an arrow with the first placement line showing which direction the nap of the fabric should lay, so the bear will feel smooth from head to toe.

Embroidery Sections:

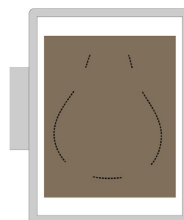
The Kimberbear is completed in 6 parts. PDF labels for each part are available with the design files at kimberbell.com/kimberbear



Part 1: Arms



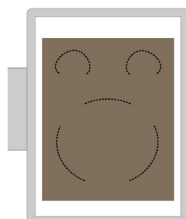
Part 2: Legs



Part 3: Body



Part 4: Muzzle



Part 5: Head and Ears

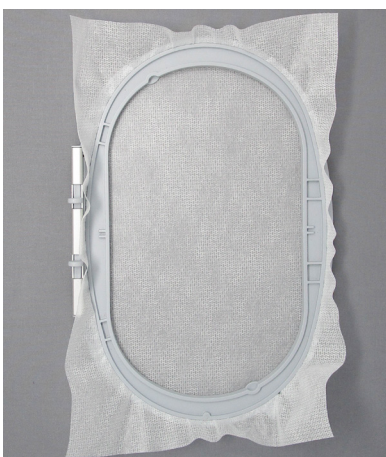
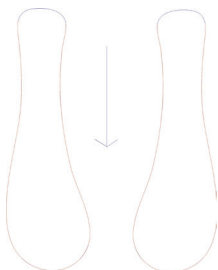


Part 6: Sewing Instructions

Part 1: Arms

1. Embroidery Instructions:

- Load the 5x7_Arms_Kimberbear embroidery file into the machine
- Hoop stabilizer only



2.

- Stitch **the arm placement line**

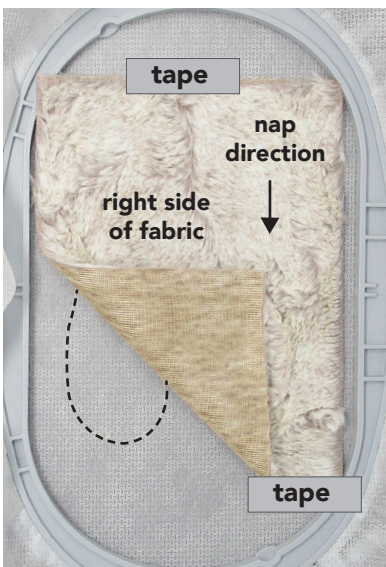


Note: An arrow is stitched with the first placement line. This shows the direction the nap of fabric should lay, so the bear will feel smooth from head to toe.



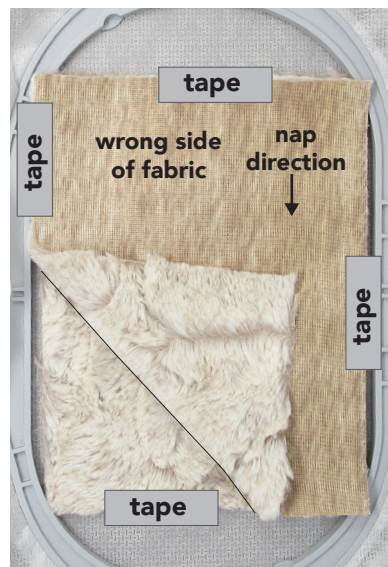
3.

- Place **(1) Arm Fabric right side up**, completely covering the placement line
- Tape in place



4.

- Place **(1) Arm Fabric right side down**, completely covering the placement line
- Tape in place



5.

- Change thread to match fabric



- Stitch **the arm tack-down line** (This stitch leaves an opening for stuffing Poly-fil® and turning **right side out**.)



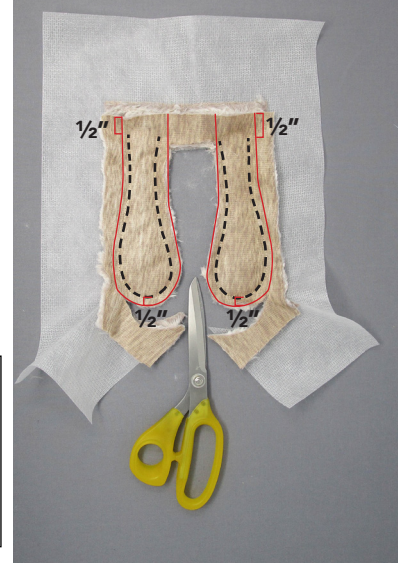
- Remove all tape



6.

- Remove project from hoop
- Trim approximately 1/2" away from stitch line and opening (Shown in **red**.)

Note: Due to the stretch of the Cuddle® fabric, it won't be necessary to clip curves. If using a cotton fabric to make bear, clipping curves is recommended before turning pieces right side out.



7.

- Using the *Clip 'n Glide Bodkin*, turn arms **right side out**



8.

- Gently press the scallop top of the *Point 2 Point Turner* against the curved seams of the bear to smooth



9.

- Carefully stuff with Poly-fil® about 1/2 full, with the filling most compact at the bear's paws for a floppy look



10.

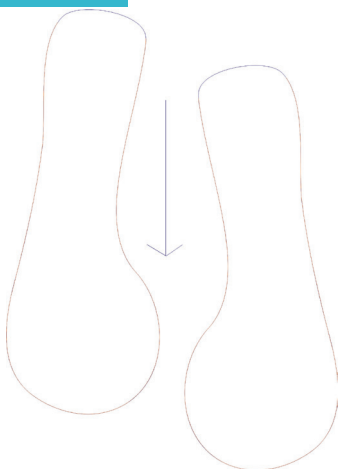
- Attach the Kimberbear part label to the top of arms and set aside for assembly



Part 2: Legs

1. Embroidery Instructions:

- Load the 5x7_ **Legs_Kimberbear** embroidery file into the machine



2.

- Hoop stabilizer only

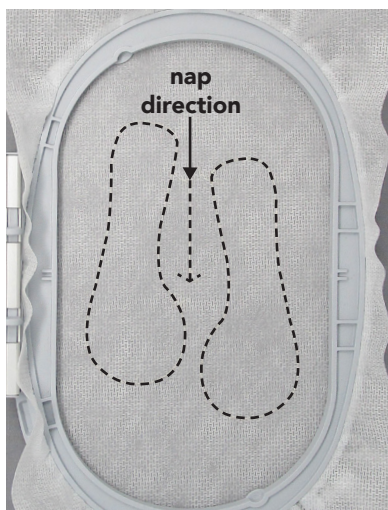


3.

- Stitch **the leg placement line**



Note: An arrow is stitched with the first placement line. This is to show the direction the nap of fabric should lay, so the bear will feel smooth from head to toe.



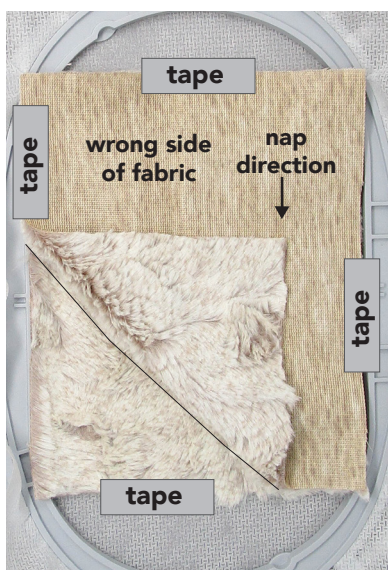
4.

- Place **(1)** leg Fabric **right side up**, completely covering the placement line
- Tape in place



5.

- Place **(1)** leg Fabric **right side down**, completely covering the placement line
- Tape in place



6.

- Change thread to match fabric
- Stitch **the leg tack-down line** (This stitch leaves an opening for stuffing Poly-fil® and turning **right side out**.)



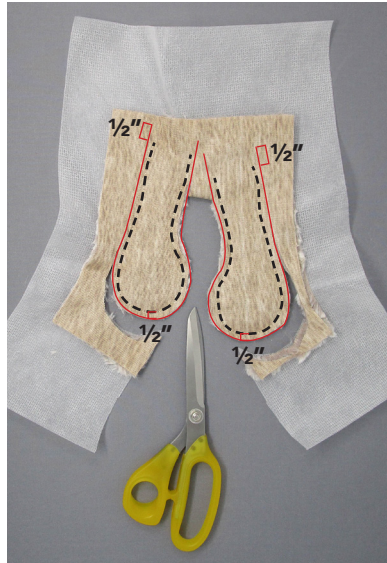
- Remove all tape



7.

- Remove project from hoop
- Trim approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ " away from stitch line and opening (Shown in **red**.)

Note: Due to the stretch of the Cuddle® fabric, it won't be necessary to clip curves. If using a cotton fabric to make bear, clipping curves is recommended before turning pieces right side out.



8.

- Using the Clip 'n Glide Bodkin, turn legs **right side out**



9.

- Gently press the scallop top of the *Point 2 Point Turner* against the curved seams of the bear to smooth



10.

- Carefully stuff with Poly-fil® about $\frac{1}{2}$ full, with the filling most compact at the bear's paws for a floppy look



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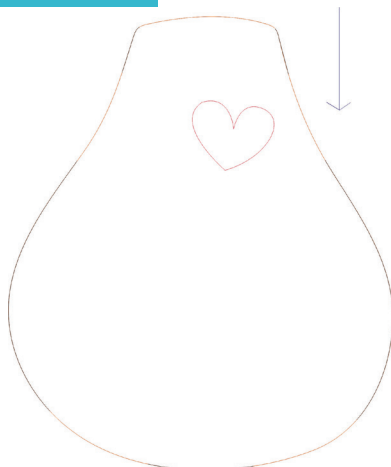
- Attach the Kimberbear part label to the top of legs and set aside for assembly



Part 3: Body

1. Embroidery Instructions:

- Load the 5x7_ Body_Kimberbear embroidery file into the machine



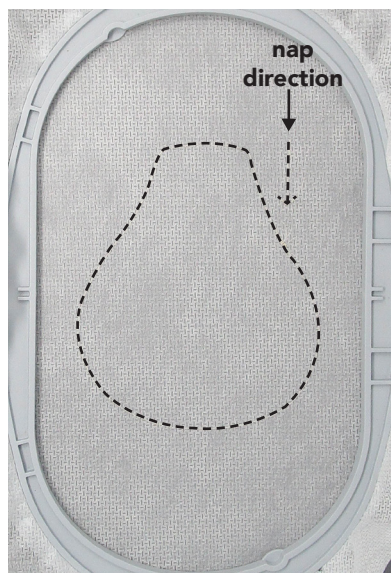
2.

- Hoop stabilizer only



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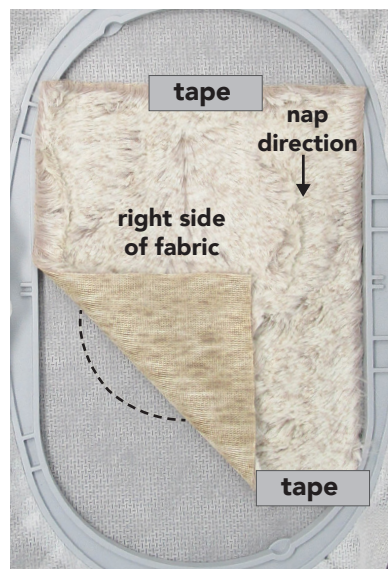
- Stitch **the body placement line**



Note: An arrow is stitched with the first placement line. This is to show the direction the nap of fabric should lay, so the bear will feel smooth from head to toe.

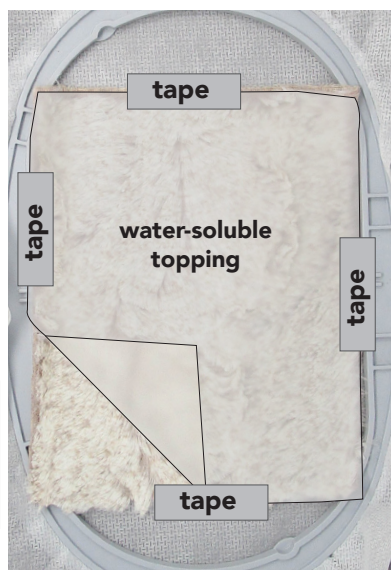
4.

- Place **(1) Body Fabric right side up**, completely covering the placement line
- Tape in place



5.

- Place water-soluble topping, completely covering the fabric
- Tape in place



Note: Water-soluble topping will keep the pile of the Luxe Cuddle® from getting caught in the needle or under the presser foot.

6.

- Change thread to match fabric



- Stitch **the body tack-down line**



- Remove all tape **(Do not remove water-soluble topping at this time.)**



7.

- Change thread to desired color



- Stitch **the heart placement line**



8.

- Carefully cut away topping from inside the heart placement line

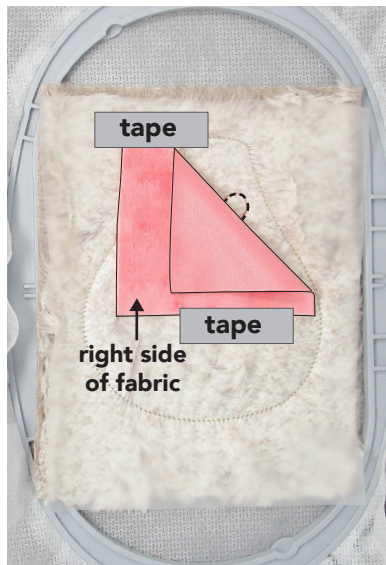
Note: Because the heart applique will cover the Cuddle[®], it's okay if some of the fur gets trimmed as you cut the topping inside the heart placement line.



9.

- Place the Heart Fabric **right side up**, completely covering the heart placement line

- Tape in place



10.

- Stitch **the heart tack-down line**



- Remove tape



11.

- Trim fabric close to the stitch line



12.

- Stitch **the heart decorative outline**



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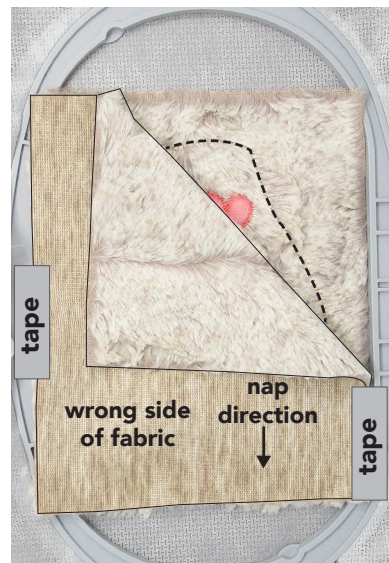
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- Tear away excess water-soluble topping



14.

- Place **(1) Body Fabric right side down**, completely covering the body placement line
- Tape in place

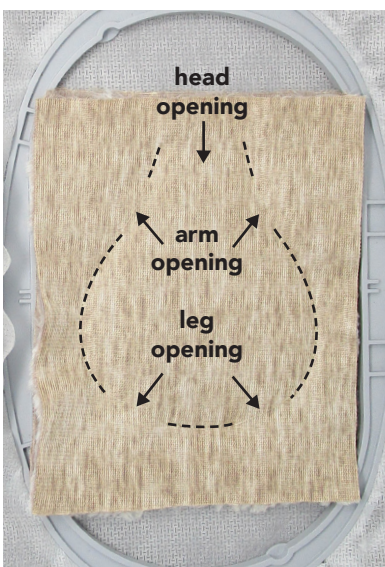


15.

- Change thread to match fabric
- Stitch **the final stitch outline** (This stitch leaves an opening for attaching the arms, legs, and head.)



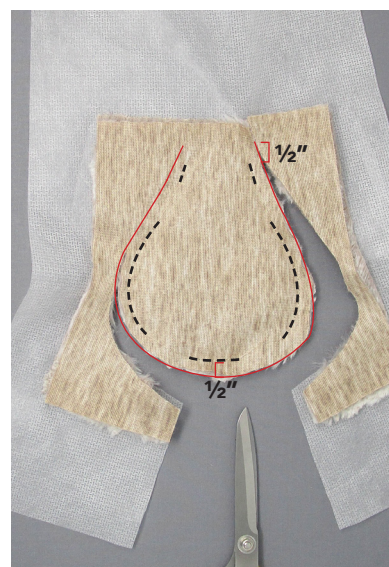
- Remove tape



16.

- Remove project from hoop
- Trim approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ " away from stitch line and opening (Shown in **red**.)

Note: Due to the stretch of the Cuddle[®] fabric, it won't be necessary to clip curves. If using a cotton fabric to make bear, clipping curves is recommended before turning pieces right side out.



17.

- Turn body **right side out**
- Gently press the scallop top of the *Point 2 Point Turner* against the curved seams of the bear to smooth

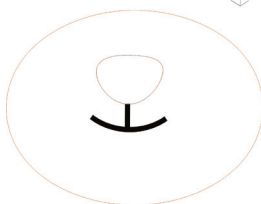
Note: Do not stuff with Poly-fil[®] until arms and legs are attached to the body.



Part 4: Muzzle

1. Embroidery Instructions:

- Load the 5x7_ Muzzle_Kimberbear embroidery file into the machine
- Hoop stabilizer only



2.

- Stitch **the muzzle placement line**

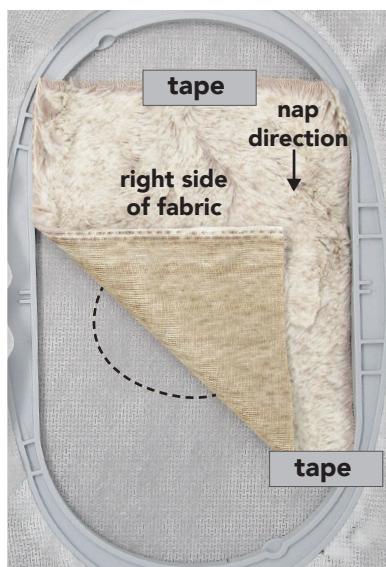


Note: An arrow is stitched with the first placement line. This is to show the direction the nap of fabric should lay, so the bear will feel smooth from head to toe.



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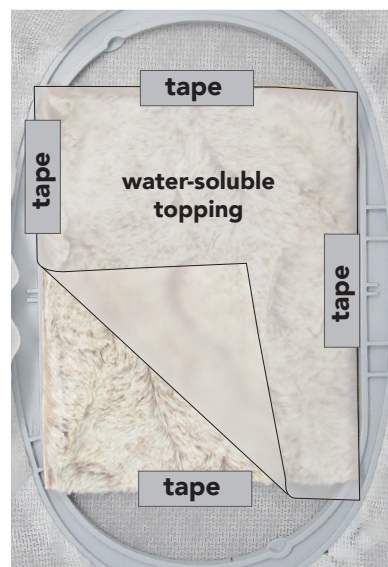
- Place the Muzzle Fabric **right side up**, completely covering the muzzle placement line
- Tape in place



4.

- Place water-soluble topping, completely covering the fabric
- Tape in place

Note: Water-soluble topping will keep the pile of the Luxe Cuddle® from getting caught in the needle or under the presser foot.



5.

- Change thread to match fabric



- Stitch **the muzzle tack-down line**



- Remove tape
(Do not remove water-soluble topping at this time.)



6.

- Change thread to desired color



- Stitch **the mouth detail stitch**



7.

- Change thread to desired color



- Stitch **the nose placement line**



8.

- Carefully cut away topping from inside the nose placement line

Note: Because the nose applique will cover the Cuddle®, it's okay if some of the fur gets trimmed as you cut the topping inside the nose placement line.



9.

- Place the Nose Fabric **right side up**, completely covering the placement line



10.

- Stitch **the nose tack-down line** (This stitch leaves an opening for stuffing Poly-fil®.)



- Remove tape

Note: Do not trim nose fabric at this time. The nose fabric will be trimmed in **Direction Step 13B**.



11.

- Remove hoop from machine
- Fold the Nose Fabric down to expose nose opening
- Using the *Point 2 Point Turner* carefully stuff Poly-fil® through opening in nose from **Direction Step 10**



12.

- Smooth fabric back in place
- Tape top of nose fabric to hold in place



13.



A. Return hoop to machine. Stitch **the nose final tack-down line**. Remove tape.

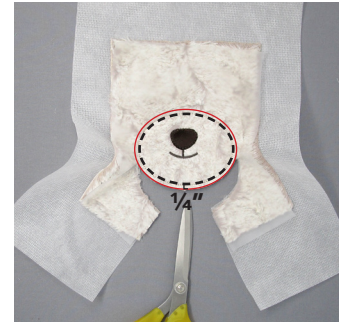


B. Trim fabric close to the stitch line.



C. Stitch **the nose decorative outline**.

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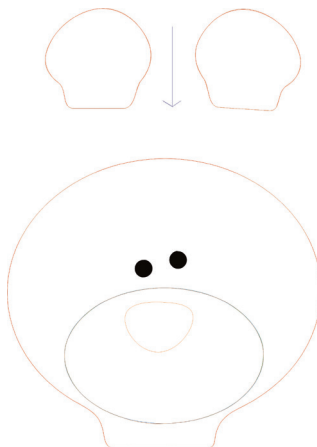
D. Remove project from hoop. Trim muzzle approximately 1/4" outside the muzzle tack-down line. Shown in **red**. Do not remove topping from inside muzzle at this time.

Part 5: Head and Ears

1. Embroidery Instructions:

- Load the 5x7_HeadandEars_Kimberbear embroidery file into the machine

Note: Complete part 4: muzzle before starting part 5: head and ears.



2.

- Hoop stabilizer only



3.

- Stitch **the placement line**

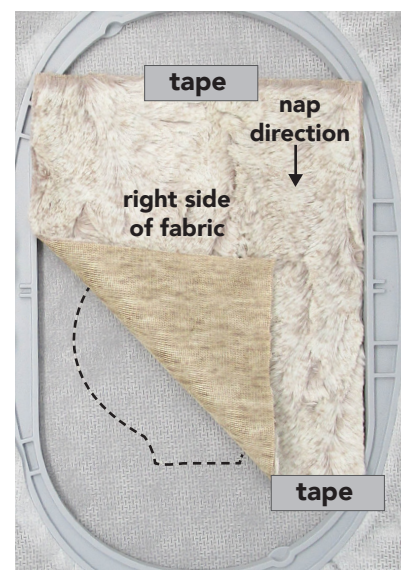


Note: An arrow is stitched with the first placement line. This is to show the direction the nap of fabric should lay, so the bear will feel smooth from head to toe.



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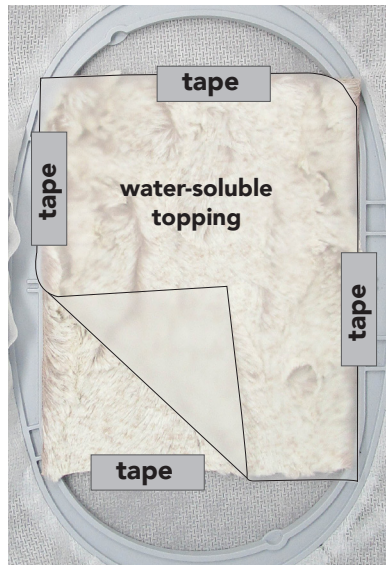
- Place the Head Fabric **right side up**, completely covering the placement line
- Tape in place



5.

- Place water-soluble topping, completely covering the fabric
- Tape in place

Note: Water-soluble topping will keep the pile of the Luxe Cuddle® from getting caught in the needle or under the presser foot.



6.

- Change thread to match fabric



- Stitch **the tack-down line**



- Remove tape
(Do not remove water-soluble topping at this time.)



7.

- Change thread to desired color



- Stitch **the eyes detail stitch**



8.

- Change thread to desired color



- Stitch **the muzzle placement line**



9.

- Clip water-soluble topping from inside the nose and muzzle placement line (Shown in **red**.)



10.

- Place the previously stitched Muzzle (from Part 4) **right side up**, aligning nose stitch line and completely covering the muzzle placement line

Note: The muzzle will be larger than the placement line. It will be trimmed down at a later step.



11.

- Tape muzzle securely in place
- Stitch **the muzzle tack-down line** (This stitch leaves an opening for stuffing Poly-fil®.)



12.

- Remove tape
- Using the *Point 2 Point Turner* carefully and lightly stuff Poly-fil® through opening left from **Direction Step 11** (Be careful not to overstuff muzzle.)



13.

- Tape muzzle opening closed



14.

- Stitch **the muzzle final tack-down line**



Note: Thread color should match decorative outline thread color.



15.

- Trim Muzzle Fabric close to the muzzle tack-down line (Shown in **black**.)



16.

- Stitch **the muzzle decorative outline**

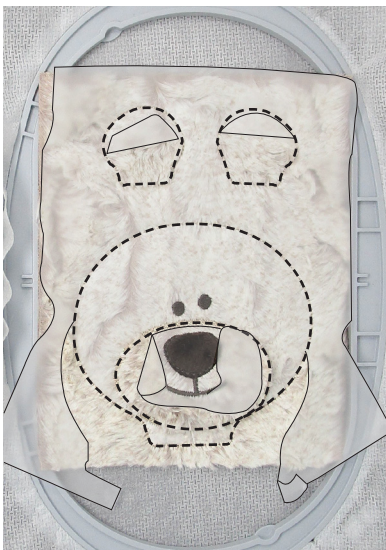


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17.

- Remove all water-soluble topping



18.

- Place **(1)** Head Fabric right side down, completely covering head and ears
- Tape in place



19.

- Stitch the **final stitch outline** (This stitch leaves an opening for attaching the ears to the head and the head to the body.)



- Remove tape



20.

- Remove project from hoop
- Trim approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ " away from stitch line and opening (Shown in **red**.)

Note: Due to the stretch of the Cuddle® fabric, it won't be necessary to clip curves. If using a cotton fabric to make bear, clipping curves is recommended before turning pieces right side out.



21.

- Turn head and ears **right side out**
- Gently press the scallop top of the Point 2 Point Turner against the curved seams of the bear head and ears to smooth

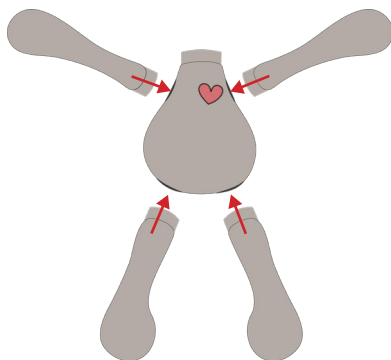
Note: Do not stuff head with Poly-fil® until after the ears are attached to the head.



Part 6: Bear Assembly Instructions

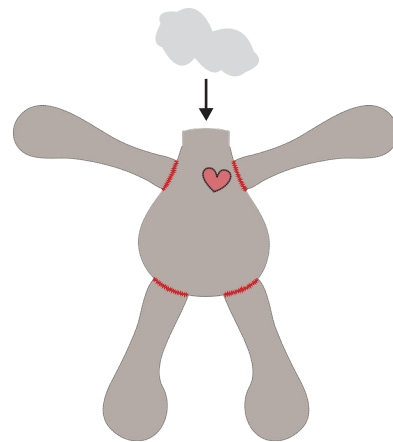
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- Place arms and legs in the correct openings on the bear body (Shown in red.)
- Pin in place



2.

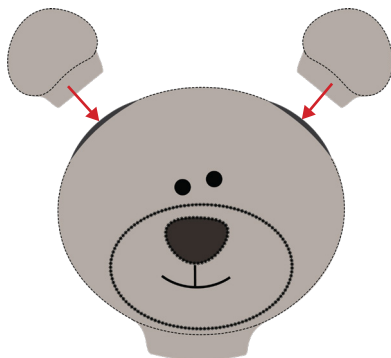
- Change bobbin thread to match top thread
- With a sewing machine, attach arms and legs to body using a wide zig zag stitch (Shown in red.)
- Carefully stuff Poly-fil® into body



Note: The zig zag stitch will "sink into" the long fibers of the Cuddle® fabric. Check front and back of bear to make sure the seam is closed and limbs are securely attached.

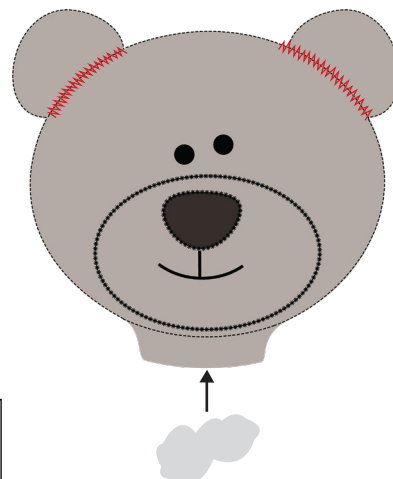
3.

- Place ears in the openings on the bear head (Shown in red.)
- Pin in place



4.

- With a sewing machine, attach ears to head using a wide zig zag stitch (Shown in red.)
- Carefully stuff Poly-fil® into head



Note: Check front and back of bear to make sure the seam is closed and ears are securely attached.

5.

- Place head in the neck opening on the bear body
- Pin in place
- Carefully and lightly stuff Poly-fil® into the bears neck (Be careful not to overstuff.)



6.

- Using a needle and thread, sew opening on bear neck closed (Shown in red.)
- See tips for making the Kimberbear with demonstrations of Clover tools used at kimberbell.com/kimberbear





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The gift of compassion seems inherent in our industry. What begins as a desire to create, naturally develops an eagerness to share what we have made. This is the true joy of creativity. You are invited to join our family of partners to make bears for:

- ♥ children's hospitals or treatment centers
- ♥ police departments and fire stations
- ♥ child and family safe houses or homeless shelters

While you may personally make any number of bears, we also know serving together is twice blessed. Please take pictures of your embroidery club, quilt guild, office staff, or other group stitching Kimberbears and tell us about the special place that will receive the bears you make.

Post on social media with [#kimberbearstory](https://www.instagram.com/kimberbearstory)



Become a part of our heartfelt initiative as we donate baskets of bears throughout the year and on these two important days of celebration.

National Children's Day ♥ June 14

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