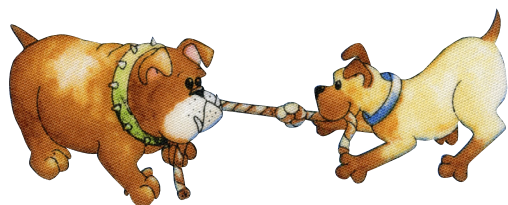


finish stuffing, (about the size of a dime to a quarter). Tie the ends of the thread into a knot to hold, finish stuffing to desired firmness.

3. Repeat for the muzzle but do not over stuff. You want your pet's muzzle to lay flatter on his face.
4. Thread the long needle with a long piece of perle cotton and knot one end. Bring your threaded needle up through the center of the large, stuffed circle and loop around coming up through the bottom again. You should now have the thread circling the pincushion. Repeat this until you have divided the pincushion up like a pie into 8 sections. Pull the thread tight after each loop so that it creates a bit of an indent into the pincushion. Tie off.



Take the small stuffed oval muzzle and place it over the top of the pincushion with the top edge of the muzzle piece near the center of the large circle. Bring your needle up through the bottom and through the top part of the oval, place your button there and sew through all sections to secure the muzzle to the head through the button. Take one of the stitches through the button but come out under the button and go across the muzzle and underneath pushing the

needle through to the bottom center of the pincushion. Tie off. This stitch wraps the thread around the muzzle to create the division between the jaws of the pet. Now whipstitch the muzzle to the head with your matching thread to secure.

6. Taking two of the earpieces, with right sides together, stitch the top of the triangle together leaving the base open. Turn right sides out and slightly stuff and stitch the bottom closed. (For the dog's ear make one side Fabric A and the inside Fabric B). After the ears are sewn, turned and stuffed sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " from edge to define the shape of the ear. Position the ears where you think they look the best. Refer to picture.
7. Using a blanket stitch or whipstitch, sew on the eyes and ears. The cat's ears will stand up but the dog's ears are tacked down to the base of the ear to give a floppy eared look.
8. With the white embroidery floss and long needle make French knots in each eye and a few on the muzzle.
9. Whip-stitch or blanket-stitch your felt paw to the bottom of the pincushion to finish off the bottom. If desired, create and attach a dog tag and personalize it with your dog or cat's name.

This project is great for a mom and daughter project or to give as a gift to family or friends. Congratulations, you have just adopted a pincushion pet from Lil Miss Cutie Patootie & Friends!



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WHAT'S INSIDE:

Fabric A – $8\frac{1}{2}$ " squares for heads and front of dog ears
Fabric B – 6" x 11" rectangles for muzzles and ears
Brown Felt
Perle cotton thread
White embroidery floss
Long needle

Extra items needed:

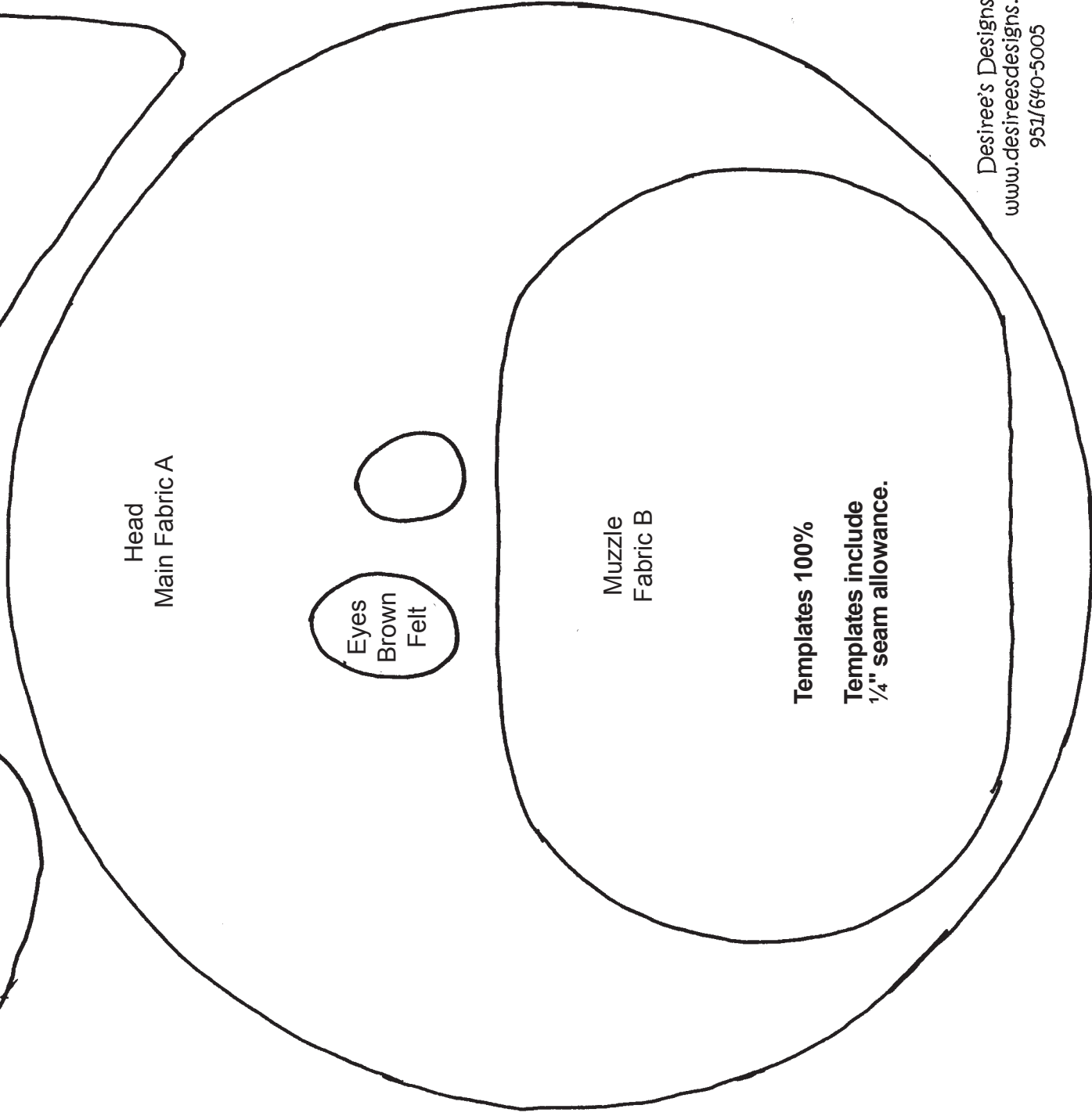
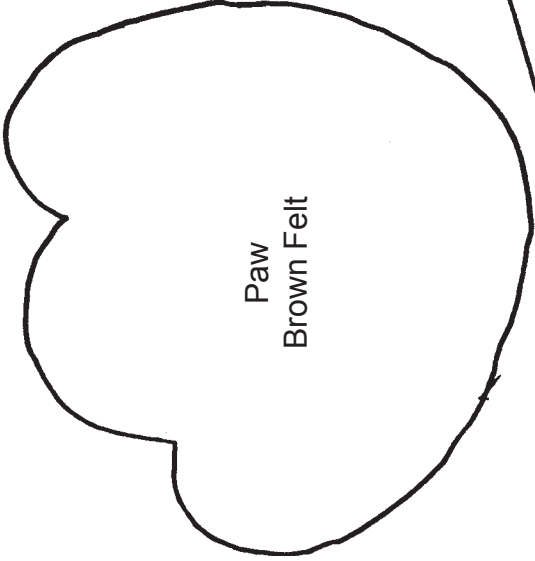
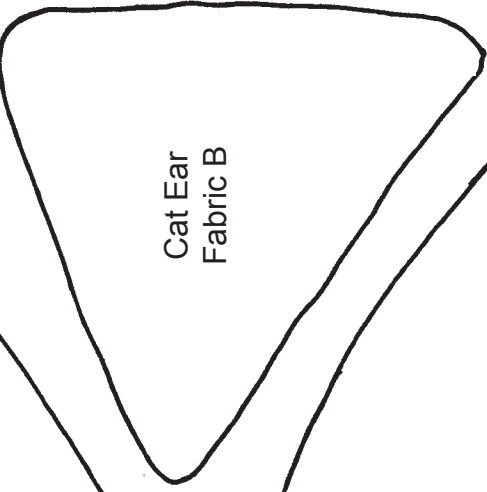
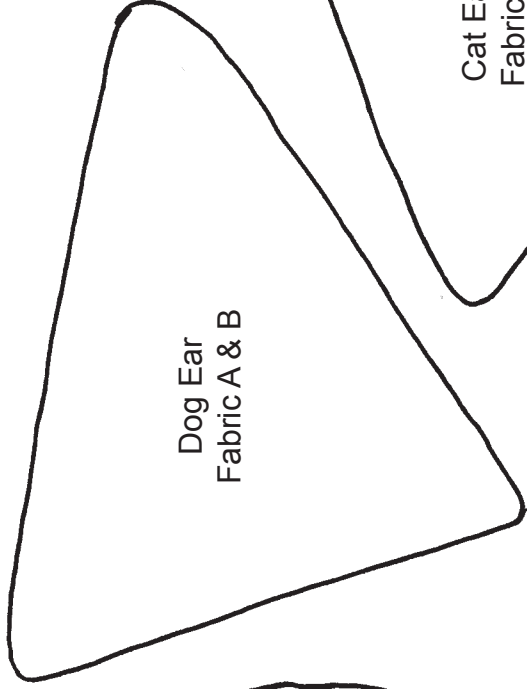
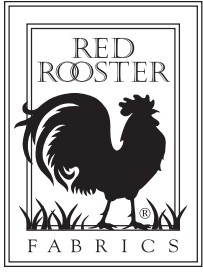
2 Buttons
Polyfil
Scissors
Hand-sewing needle
Matching thread for hand stitching



PIECING DIRECTIONS:

1. Using your pattern template and a light-box, trace the large circle onto the main fabric and one set of dog-ears. Trace the oval along with 2 ears (for dog) and 4 ears (for cat) onto Fabric B and cut out. Cut out the eyes and paw from the brown piece of felt.
2. With the perle cotton, sew a running stitch approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge of the fabric leaving long tails of thread at the beginning and the end. Pull the thread to gather slightly and start stuffing with polyfil. Holding the ends of your threads, continue gathering and stuffing until about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the pincushion is stuffed. Gather up the rest of the material, leaving a large enough opening to





Templates 100%
Templates include
1/4" seam allowance.