RUTUMN PLUMS

Height 8 cm without leaf



Autumn Plums

Height: 8cm without leaf

Materials needed

- Fabric 1: 15cm x 13cm (6in x 5¹/₈in) Teardrop plum (100196)
- Fabric 2: 15cm x 13cm (6in x 5¹/₈in) Autumn Bouquet lavender (100197)
- Fabric 3: 15cm x 13cm (6in x 5¹/₈in) Flower Confetti plum (100199)
- Fabric 4: 15cm x 13cm (6in x 5¹/₈in) Windflower lavender (100200)
- Fabric 5: 18cm x 8cm (7in x 3¹/₈in) Biscotti Plaid teal (130065)
- Hemp string 12in (30cm)
- Fibrefill APPROX. 75G

We also recommend using the following:

- Sewing machine
- Matching thread and a sewing needle for hand sewing
- Flower stick or chopstick for turning and stuffing
- Thick paper for copying patterns

Making a Plum

1 Refer to the bullet points below on making the project before you start. Copy the pattern pieces onto thick paper and cut out the shapes. The fabrics used are shown in **Fig A**. Instructions are for making both plums.

- Read all the project instructions through before you start.
- Use thick paper for copying patterns.
- The outer line on a pattern is the sewing line (generally, no seam allowances are included).
- When sewing the seams, reduce your stitch length to 1.5mm–1.6mm.
- Unless otherwise instructed, sew on the outer line of the pattern and then cut out the shapes after sewing, cutting ¹/₈in–¹/₄in (3mm–6mm) outside the sewn line.
- To get a good shape, cut snips in the seam allowance where a seam curves tightly inwards.
- Stuff well, using a stick to fill small areas.
- Sew up openings with matching thread and small slipstitches.

2 Using the four plum prints, trace three plum shapes on each fabric (for a total of six shapes). Add a $\frac{1}{4}$ in (6mm) seam allowance all round each shape and then cut out the shapes. Arrange the pieces for the two plums in the sewing order shown in **Fig B**.





Fabric 1 Teardrop plum (100196)



Fabric 4 Windflower lavender (100200)

Biscotti Plaid

Fabric 5

(130065)

teal



Autumn Bouquet



Fabric 3 Flower Confetti plum . (100199)

Fig B



3 Take two shapes for the first plum (Fabrics 2 and 3) and place them right sides together. Sew a ¹/₄in (6mm) seam down the long, curved side, starting and stopping on the points of the marked shape, about ¹/₂in (1.3cm) away from the points of the fabric (Fig C). Add the other four pieces, one at a time and leaving an opening in the last seam for turning (Fig D). Turn through the right side, press and then stuff the plum. Sew up the opening. Repeat this process to make the second plum.





4 Fold the Fabric 5 piece for the leaves right sides together and trace the leaf pattern, twice. Sew the leaf shape, leaving an opening for turning (**Fig E**). Cut out and turn the leaf with the help of a flower stick or similar tool. Fold in the seam allowance of the opening and then close the opening with a few stitches.



5 To make a hanging loop, cut the string into two pieces. Fold each piece in half to make a loop, tie the ends together and then trim off the ends. For each plum, sew the knot onto the top of the plum. Fold the leaf slightly and stitch it onto the plum with small hand stitches (**Fig F**). These plums make beautiful autumn ornaments hanging on branches or arranged in a bowl as a table decoration.





Plum Patterns



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