



## **18 INCH AND AMERICAN GIRL WITCHES HAT**

### **Make Your Outfit Instructions**

#### **1. Preview of Completed Outfit**

Play this video and check out this great outfit that YOU will make!



#### **2. Tools and Resources Required**

- 1) Paper pattern (printed from PDF file downloaded to your computer)
- 2) 8 inches (20cm) felt if cut from a roll or 2 squares of craft felt minimum 9 inches (23cm) square.
- 3) 3 x 20 inches (7.5 x 51cm) fine netting or fine tulle (not stiff tulle) for the hat band. Use same fabric as lining in sleeves.
- 4) 5 x 1 ½ inches (13 x 4cm) contrasting felt for bat decoration. Use felt left over from bat decorations on Witches Dress.
- 5) Matching thread
- 6) Paper scissors
- 7) Fabric scissors or Rotary Blade & Cutting Mat
- 8) Clippers/snips
- 9) Tape measure or ruler
- 10) Point Turner
- 11) Pins

#### **3. Preparing Paper Pattern**

- 1) Check the 'Tip' measurement is correct.
- 2) Cut out paper pattern pieces following the solid line.



#### **4. Cutting Out Fabric**

##### Hat

- 1) Place pattern pieces #1 and #2 onto the felt and pin in place.
- 2) Cut around the paper pattern with fabric scissors or rotary cutter. Remove pins.

##### Bat Decoration

- 1) Place Bat Template onto the felt and pin in place. Cut around template and remove pins..

##### Hat Band

- 1) Fold fabric in half. Place pattern piece #3 onto the netting taking note to place the marked side of the pattern on the 'fold of the fabric'. Pin in place.
- 2) Cut around the paper pattern and remove the pins.

#### **5. Join Brim to Crown**

- 1) Fold the crown so that the two straight sides are matching. Place a pin where the fold has been created along the curved edge (this is marking the half way point).
- 2) Fold the brim matching the two short straight edges. Place a pin where the fold has been created on the inside curve (this is marking the half way point of the inside brim.
- 3) Place the crown down on the table with the curved edge to the top so that it looks like a fan. Take the brim and place it on top of the crown matching the pin marking the centre of the inside of the brim with the pin marking the centre of the crown. The raw edge of the centre of the brim must be even with the raw edge of the curve of the crown. (the majority of the brim is sitting above the crown like a circle on top of a fan) Pin.
- 4) Take one end of the brim and bring it down to match the straight edge of the brim with the straight edge of the crown and the end of the inside circle with the end of the curve of the crown. Pin. Now match the raw edges of the inside edge of the brim with the raw edges of the curve of the crown between these two pin. You may need to stretch the brim slightly. Secure with more pins.
- 5) Repeat with the other side of the brim and crown.



- 6) Using a straight stitch, sew a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch (6mm) seam along the inside edge of the brim attaching the brim to the crown of the hat. Secure beginning and end with reverse stitches.
- 7) Open out the brim and push the seam allowance up toward the crown of the hat. Pin. Secure this seam allowance to the crown with a straight stitch sewing about  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch (3mm) from the seam up towards the crown.

## **6. Attach Hat Band and Decoration**

- 1) Using pins or Taylors chalk, mark the hat in quarters at the seam where the brim joins the crown.
- 2) Take one end of the netting and fold in half lengthwise twice. Match this end of the netting with the flat edge of the hat just above where the seam joins the brim to the crown i.e. on the crown side. Pin.
- 3) Gently twist the netting and lay against the seam on the hat. Pin at the quarter mark. Continue twisting the netting and pin at the halfway point, again at the  $\frac{3}{4}$  mark and at the end of the hat. How tightly you twist the netting will determine the thickness of the hatband. There will be extra netting past the end of the hat.
- 4) With a straight stitch secure the hatband to the hat at each of the pins. Trim off extra netting.
- 5) Place the felt bat on top of the hatband at the centre front of the hat. Pin.
- 6) Using a straight stitch sew down the centre of the bat. Turn and stitch back up then down again to secure.

## **7. Join Back Seam**

- 1) With right sides together, fold the hat in half and match the two straight edges making sure that the brim is even. Pin.
- 2) Using a straight stitch, sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch (6mm) seam from the brim up to the point.
- 3) Turn the hat to the right side.

## **8. Congratulations You Did It!**

Celebrate! YOU made another great outfit. Well done!