

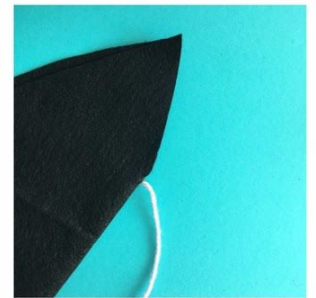


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DIY Babouche Slippers

Alice and Karen from **Let's Make Art** have created a simple step by step guide to make a simply stitched pair of Moroccan slippers. Once complete you can decorate your bespoke footwear with found trimmings from recycled garments or handmade pom poms and tassels. Our patterns are inspired by the colourful, traditional designs of textiles, rugs and baskets seen in the lively Souks of Marrakesh.



Things you'll need;

Scissors

Pencil

Needle

Fork - Bigger the fork, bigger the pom pom!

Felt pieces - Top tip: most craft shops sell assorted colours of A4 sheets very reasonably priced. Any extra can be used for decor. The slipper template for a child fits an A4 sheet.

Cardboard from a packing box

Glue gun or fabric glue

Yarn, wool or embroidery thread

Coloured felt or fabric scraps

What to do;

1. Copy the template shape and trace around onto the felt sheet. Cut out two pieces, remembering to cut a left and a right.
2. Fold over the top half to fit over the sole and match the points at the top together. Thread your needle with wool, yarn or thread and whip stitch along the seam sewing the two pieces together. Secure with a knot and cut off the excess.
3. Using your found or handmade trimmings to decorate your slippers. Attach using double sided tape, textile glue or stitch on.
4. Draw around your foot and fold your sketch in half and add a pointed end. Next, cut out the symmetrical silhouette of the bottom of your foot. Use this as a template to draw around onto cardboard to make a sturdy sole for your slipper. Attach to the bottom of your felt slipper with glue or stronger adhesive. (Please ask permission from a grown up)



Tiny Pom Pom

1. Wrap some wool around all the fork prongs several times.
2. Secure with a tight knot round the middle.
3. Remove from the fork and cut the sides with scissors.
4. Trim any loose ends.

Please see our weave tutorial for tassel making if you'd like to add those to your slippers.

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