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Nel 'Happy Cat!'

YOU WILL NEED

A pair of scissors or a rotary cutter
Cutting board
Black cotton
Sewing needle and sewing machine
Long knitting needle
Polyester stuffing 1 bag
1 lb bag of pudding rice
20cm of ribbon for collar and bow

FABRICS

Nel Happy Go Lucky Fabrics from Freespirit.

You need

16 5x5 inch squares Happy Go Lucky Fabric.
44'x12' Black cotton fabric for tail and head and ears
For the Base you only need
28' x 8' for two cat bases

I suggest these colours if you want your cat to look like mine.



Please Note.

I have made this Happy Go Lucky Cat out of just the colours in the black/lilac colourway.

In a CHARM PACK £5.95 you will usually get all 26 fabrics ie the other two colourways as well. So you can make a cat out of one Charm pack but it will have different colours in and you will need just a small piece of fabric for the base as a charm square will be too small .

Alternatively a

HAPPY GO LUCKY – FAT QUARTER BUNDLE of the Black/lilac colourway 8 FABRICS IN ALL £20.80 will give you the same colours I have used and enough for the base and some left over too!





pic1

HOW TO MAKE 'HAPPY CAT!'

1. Cut out 16 SQUARES and two CAT BACKS (making sure that you have one with the top right corner curved the other with the top left corner curved) from Happy Go Lucky- Black range. I chose this as the black is dramatic and knew I wanted to do a black cat with a crazy body so this colour way was ideal. Pic 1.



pic2

2. Arrange the squares in lines of three with each cat back top left and top right. Pic 2

Sew cat back to first square along the bottom edge, seam width 1cm. Join next square below to the these two so that you have a strip of three squares. Join all other squares in strips of three. Iron seams over and flat . Pic 3



pic3

3. Now join one of the three strips to its neighbour. Keep adding strips until you get to the last three square strip that has the other cat back at the top.



Pic 4

4 Tie off loose ends and press seams flat. Pic 4

5. Cut out CAT HEADS X2. Turn material on to right side. Join first cat head bottom edge to top of the third strip . Leaving a 1cm gap at each end to join the sides of the cats head later. Join second cat head to the top of the fourth strip in, again leaving a 1cm gap on either side to join the sides of the cats head. PIC 5



Pic 5

6. Cut out TAIL. Fold along fold line and sew 1cm in on open side. Using a knitting needle or chop stick turn tail inside out. Stuff tail using only small quantities of stuffing to start with as they will not go right to the end of the tail. Pic 6



pic 6

7. Fold cat body right sides together and pin, starting at cat head along back and then down to base. 5cm before the base, position the open end of tail carefully between the two sides of the cat so that you can attach it securely by sewing it between the seams. Start at cat head sew around head approx 1cm in, continue along back and down to base sewing the tail in. So that the tail is at the right angle when the cat is turned inside out it is worth just checking what angle you would like it at by turning it the right way before you sew the tail in. Pic 7



pic7

8. Cut out 2 CAT BASE shapes making sure that the one fabric compliments your choice of fabrics as one will be seen the other not. Put the wrong sides together as this will not be turned inside out. Sew a 1.5 cm seam around the base leaving a good opening at one end. Tie off ends and fill bag with 1 lb bag of pudding rice. Sew up seam so you have an oval bag. Pic 8



pic 8

9. Turn cat right way out and stuff with filling to just below bottom of cat. Turn cat upside down hold between your knees. Place cat base on top of stuffing the side up that you want for the base. Start at tail turn over cat base edge up to the line of stitching on base and pin to turned over cat body edge pin all the way around securing weighted cat base in place. Over stitch all the way around. Pic 9



pic 9

10. Nearly there! Now for the easy bits! The cats tail can go anywhere you like I just sewed mine into the position it is in as I liked the black tail on the lighter fabric as it stands out. The EARS just cut out 2 ear shapes fold each edge to the centre line like making a flattened cone, turn up the bottom edge and press flat. Over sew to cat's ears. Pic 10



Pic10

11.FACE It's up to you whether you use yarn as I have done here and just over stitched it in to place with a similar coloured cotton. I frayed the ends of the eyes just because I liked the effect. Pic 11.You could use buttons for eyes or embroider a face on also to give your cat personality. Please send us pictures of your cats as we would LOVE to see them. You can submit them at <http://www.nelwhatmore.com/merchandise/index.asp> and also get Fancy Cat pattern there. We will put a selection of your cats on my blog and facebook page also

Collect your Nel Cats

My next collection will be out shortly and is called 'Sleeping Beauty' you can see a sneak preview of it on my blog.

<http://nelwhatmore.blogspot.com/>

There will be a new cat with every collection so collect the next pattern for Sleeping Beauty Cat coming soon.

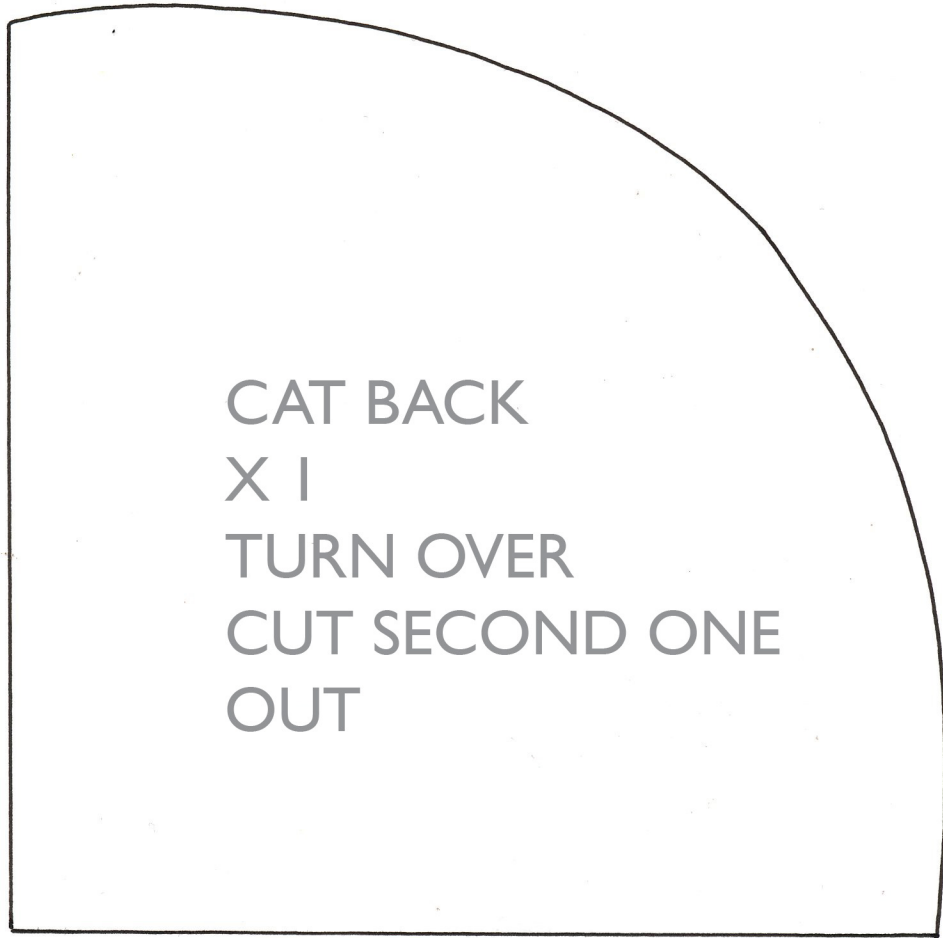


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CAT BACK

X 1

TURN OVER

CUT SECOND ONE

OUT

PLACE TO FOLD

CAT BASE X 2

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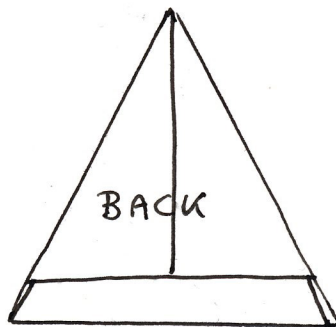
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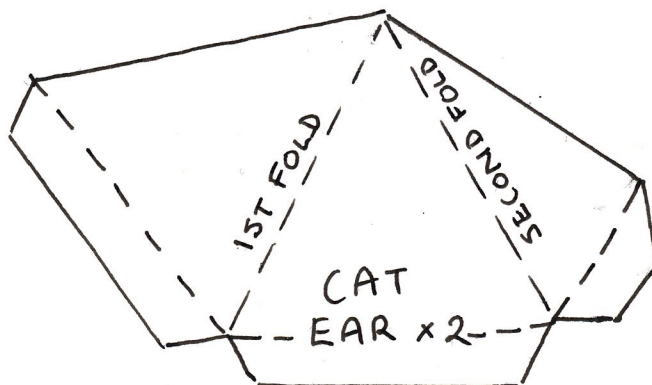


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BACK OF CAT
EAR SHOULD
LOOK LIKE
THIS WHEN
FOLDED





CAT HEAD X 2

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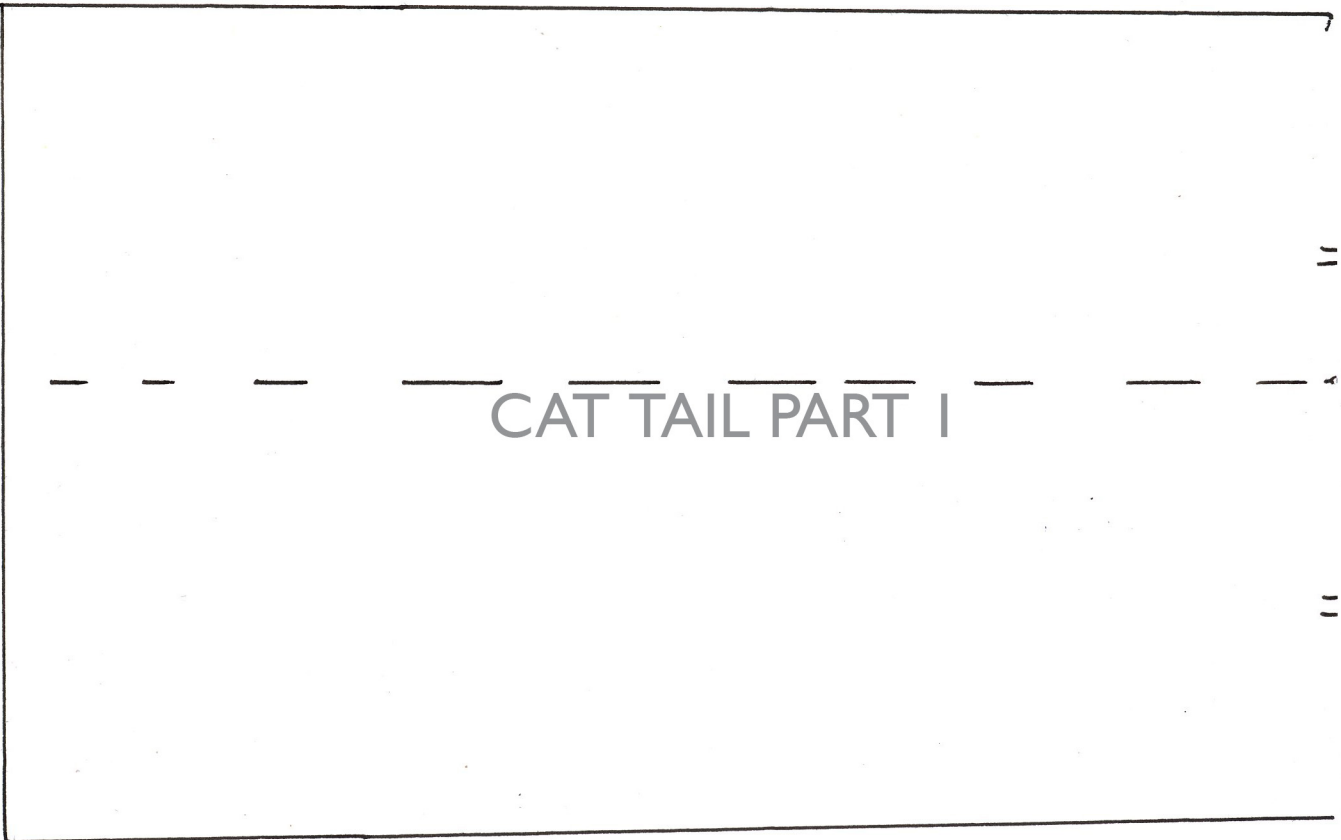
CAT PATCHES X 16

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CAT TAIL PART 3