

# Ornament Gift Bag Tutorial

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**Materials:**

sewing machine (or by hand)

cutting mat

ruler

scissors

rotary cutter (optional)

pins (large and applique)

cardboard scraps

pattern (available under pattern section of [www.greenbaglady.org](http://www.greenbaglady.org))

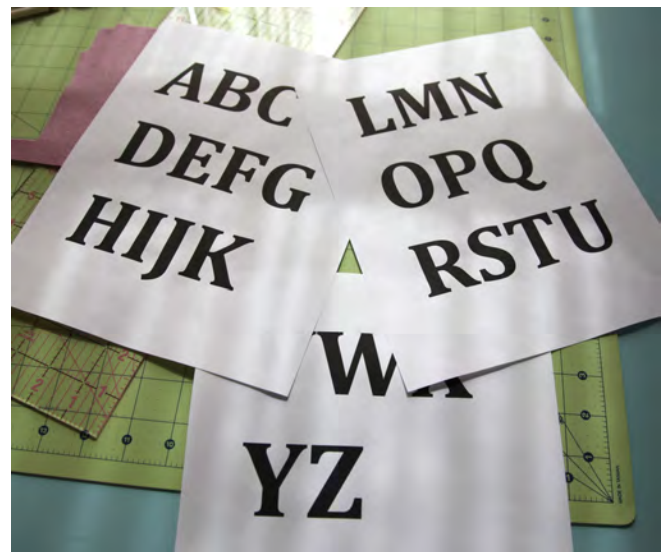
wool felt

fabric pieces (I recommend small prints)

embroidery floss

disappearing ink pen (found in notions section of fabric store)

letter templates (printed out from Microsoft Word, Cambria font, 170pt, BOLD)

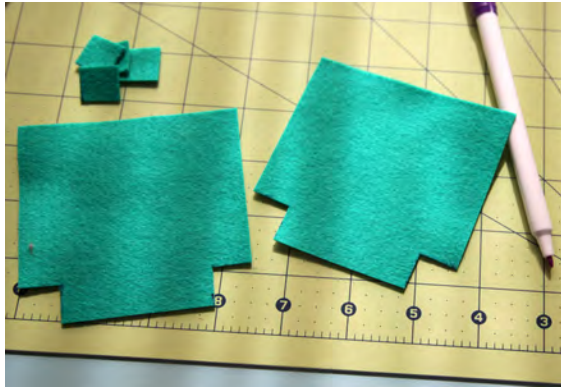




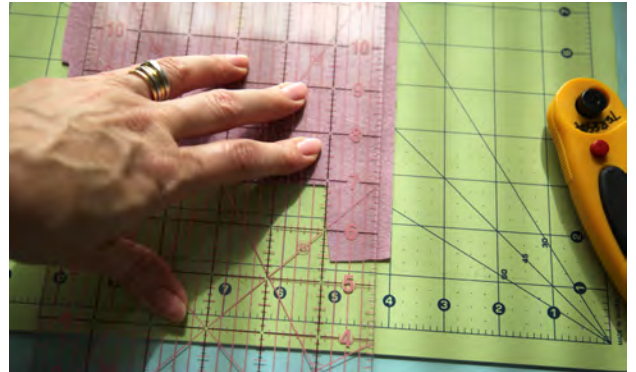
Step 1--cut 2 squares of felt 3.5" x 3.5"



Step 2--mark 5/8" for bottom notches



Step 3--cut out notches, save your scraps!



Step 4--cut 2 strips of felt 1/4 -1/2" x 4" for handles



Step 5--cut out desired letter from template and trace on wool with disappearing ink pen



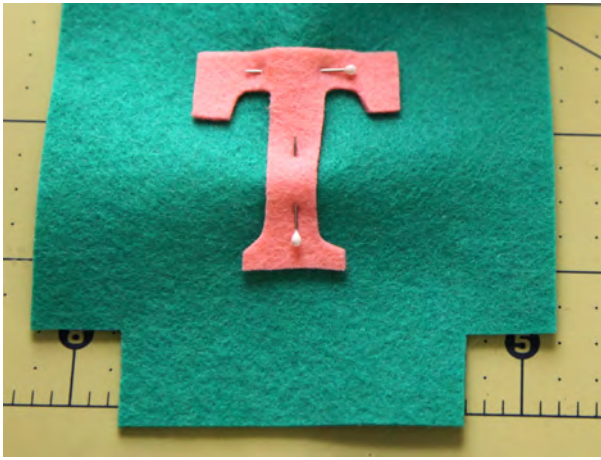
Step 6--Cut out letter, I like to use tiny scissors for detail work



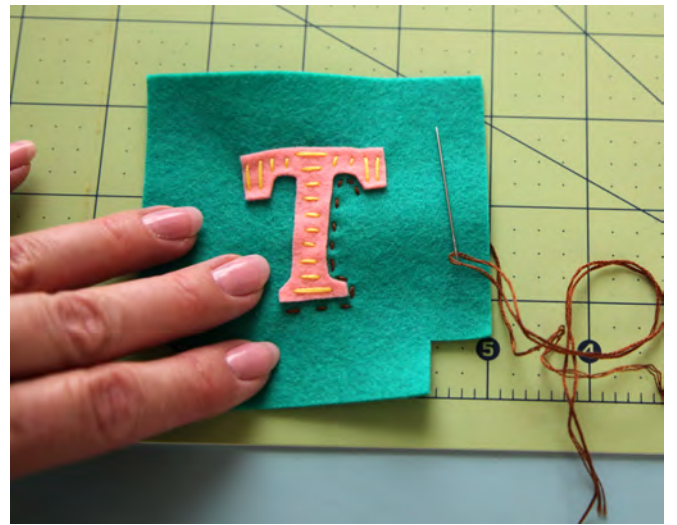
Save your scraps for future projects! :)



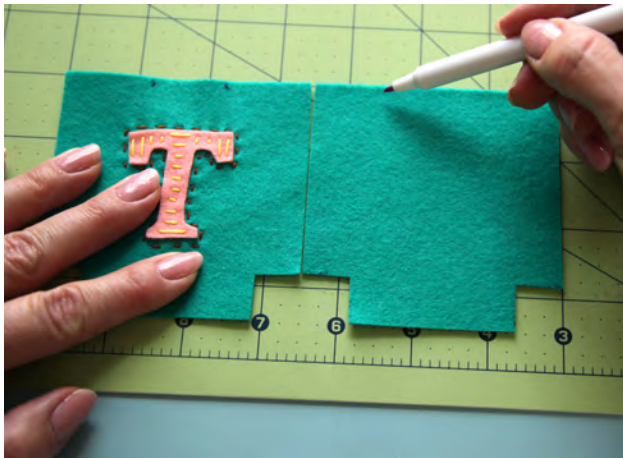
Step 7--center your letter on one side of the bag



Step 8--pin down your letter, applique pins work great as they are smaller



Step 9--use 3 strands of embroidery thread to attach the letter, then stitch around the letter with a different color



Step 10--mark handle location with a disappearing ink pen



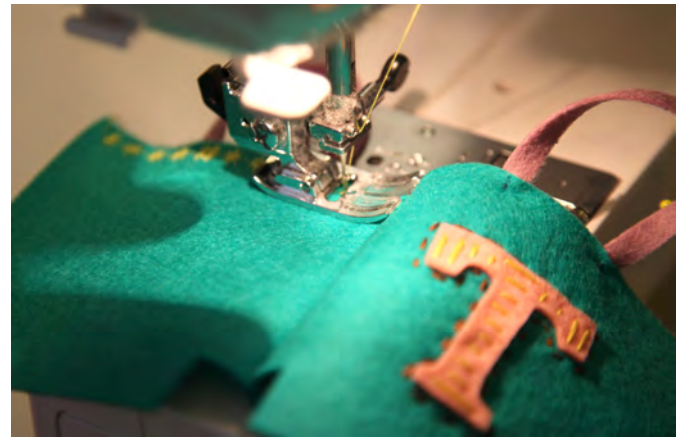
Step 11--put right sides together, stitch up one side of the bag on your machine or by hand



Step 11--pin handles on at marks make sure to twist them!



Step 12--pick a fun stictch on your sewing machine



Step 13--sew along the top with the decorative stitch, making sure to catch the handles



Step 14--sew other side and bottom of bag



If you would like to put text, a heart, buttons, etc. on the back side of the bag, I suggest adding it at this time, example at left.



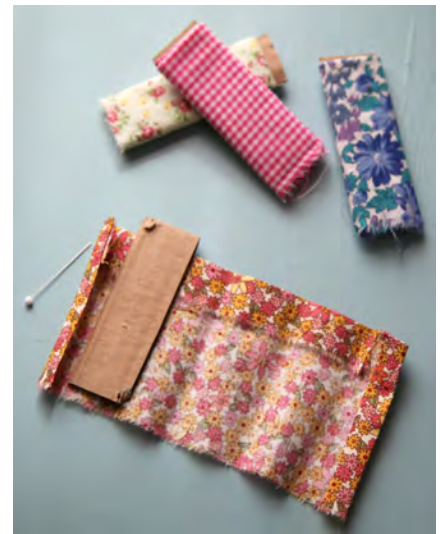
Step 15--pinch corners, pin and sew



Step 16--turn bag right side out



Step 17--cut 4 pieces of cardboard 1" x 3"



Step 18--cut or rip 4 pieces of fabric 3.5" x 6" press top edge and sides 1/2"



Step 19--start on one side and roll fabric around cardboard



Step 20--secure with a pin



Step 21--tuck "bolts of fabric" in the bag and enjoy!  
Makes a great gift for any sewist, birthday, Mother's Day, etc!

