



## DESCRIPTION

Work along with Laura and her friends as they make a beautiful bluebird ornament! Just follow Laura's step by step instructions and you'll have your very own ornament in no time. They're the perfect holiday gift!

## MATERIALS

- 5" square of any fabric
- scrap of a different fabric for wings (approximately 3 x 8 felt works well)
- scrap of yellow fabric for beak
- red thread
- string
- sewing needle or glue
- white thread
- stuffing (cotton balls, polyfill)
- scissors

## DIRECTIONS

1. To make the body of the bird: Take your 5" square of fabric and make a triangle by taking one corner and meeting the opposite corner with it. (The good side of the fabric or the side you would like to see on your bird should be on the inside at this point).
2. Thread your needle with a piece of thread about the length of your arm. Looking at the triangle of fabric you made you will want to sew one complete side and half the other side.
3. Sew the bird together using a running stitch (show running stitch). If using glue, you will glue the same sides however you need to let it dry before trying to turn it inside out.
4. Once we have most of the bird's body sewn, turn the fabric right side out. Use a pencil to push out the corners. Stuff the bird with cotton balls or fiber fill. You can fill your bird as much as you like. Sew the rest of the bird shut.
5. To make and attach the wings: Trace wings onto your second piece of fabric and cut out. Thread your needle with the piece of string. You may need a needle with a larger eye (whole where you put the thread).
6. Hold your bird with the point of the triangle pointing down. Place wings on top of bird. With the needle and thread, go through the wings and the body of the bird and come out the point at the bottom. Pull the thread through about 10". Now come back up through the point you came down.
7. To create the beak: Cut a small diamond shape from a yellow piece of fabric. Decide which is the head and which is the tail for your bird. There is no right or wrong answer, put the beak where you would like it to be. Sew the beak on with the red thread.