

Suffolk Puff Accessories

Use this technique to make brooches, hair accessories, bracelets, or if you are feeling ambitious a necklace!

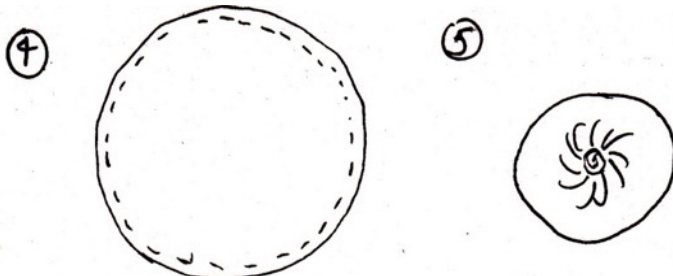
Materials:

- Fabric
- Thread to match
- Needle
- Fastening
- Lace/ ribbon/ buttons/ veiling to suit.

Directions:

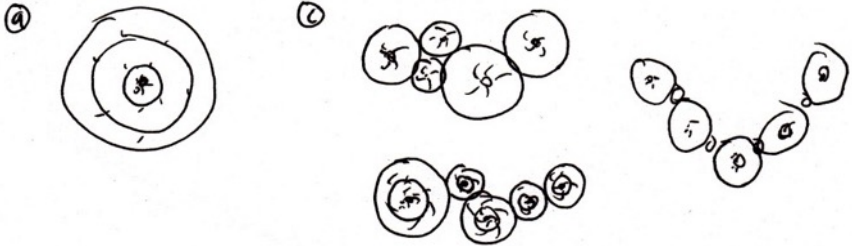
Prepare Fabric

1. Select a circle template remembering that your finished Suffolk puff will be half the size.
2. Pin the card template to the fabric, or draw round it using tailors chalk and cut out the circle.
3. Thread needle with co-ordinating thread using a double thickness of thread.
4. Stitch around the circle using a small running stitch (in and out) about 5mm from the edge all the way around, keep the needle and thread attached.



Assembly

5. Pull the thread tightly to gather the circle until all the gathers meet tightly at the centre. You may need to manipulate the fabric at the centre to help it lie flat. Use your thread to secure this in place by creating a few stitches to hold the gathers together.



Design ideas:

- Try layering different size Suffolk Puffs on top of each other, 2 or 3 work really well. These can be central to each other or offset.
- Add buttons to the centre of the puffs to hide the stitching
- Stitch puffs next to each other to create bracelets and necklaces
- Add veiling to make more of a statement fascinator or brooch.

