

Felt Dragon Sewing Directions

1. Assemble the flame by adhering the red sticky side to the yellow felt.
2. Lay one of the body pieces down flat on a table. Put the flame on the mouth of the dragon with the point of the flame pointing in and the flat back of the flame against the mouth of the dragon. Place the spine triangles, point in like the flame, around the dragons back. Lay the second body piece on the first, covering up the flame and all the spines.
3. Carefully pin the pieces together making sure to pin down the flame and each spine.
4. Use a running stitch to sew around the dragon. Begin about a third of the way on the inside of body. Sew carefully around the head making sure to have the flame securely sewn between the two pieces of green felt. Continue stitching all along the outside edge (dragon's back), making sure to securely sew each spine triangle down. Sew around the tail and end about a third of the way inside the body, leaving a gap. Knot and cut your thread.
5. You have been sewing on the wrong side. Turn your dragon right side out by reaching inside the gap and pulling out the head and tail. The closed point of your scissors can help you turn small areas out completely but be careful not to cut your felt or stitches.
6. Stuff your dragon with the fiber fill and whip stitch the open edge closed. Make sure to knot your thread securely when you are done, then push the needle into the body of the dragon and out, pulling taught, cut the thread. This will hide the tail of the thread.
7. For the eyes, peel off the backing from the black circles and press them onto the white eyeballs. If you have made smaller white circles for highlights (see picture), attach them the same way and then peel off the final backing on the white felt and press them onto your dragons head.
8. Fold one of the ears in half at the bottom (wide) edge and whip the edge together. Do the same for the second ear. Sew each ear down on the head just above the eyes.
9. Sew a small leg on either side of the body just past the head.
10. Sew a larger leg on either side of the body about a third down from the front legs.
11. Sew the wings, sparkly side up, to the back of your dragon, on either side of the row of spines.
12. Sew or glue any extra details to your dragon (spots, nostrils, sequins or jewels, use your imagination!)

Felt Dragon Kit

In this kit:

1. 2 pieces of green felt for the body, ears and legs
2. 1 piece of sparkly felt for the wings and spines
3. A paper pattern
4. Cutting directions
5. Stuffing for your finished dragon
6. A little book with pockets:
 - Thread on a card
 - Tailors Chalk
 - How to sew running and whip stitches (in front edge pocket)
 - Sewing directions in the center of the book
 - Yellow and Adhesive felt scraps for flame and eyes
 - Embellishments
 - Bonus pattern for a tiny dragon (in back edge pocket)



Things you will need at home:

1. Scissors
2. Pins (for attaching spines and flame if you are using them)
3. A needle if you don't pick one up at the library
4. Glue (fabric or school glue) to attach decorations if desired

Felt Dragon Cutting Directions

1. Cut out the pattern pieces from the pattern page.
2. Trace around the pattern pieces with the tailor's chalk on the felt.
 - Trace the body of the dragon on the **dark green** felt two times
 - Trace the legs and ears two times on the **dark green** felt
 - Trace the wing pattern once on the **sparkly** felt then turn the pattern over and trace the second wing. This will make both wings have the sparkles on top.
 - Draw as many spines or other embellishments as you like with the tailor's chalk on the **sparkly** felt.
 - Trace the small black circles on the black adhesive felt
 - Trace the large circles on the white adhesive felt.
 - Trace the large flame on the yellow felt
 - Trace the small flame on red adhesive felt.
3. Cut out the felt pieces you have traced. You should have:
 - 2 body pieces in green felt (top and bottom)
 - 2 small (front) legs and 2 large (back) legs in green felt
 - 2 ears in green felt
 - 2 wings from sparkly felt (they will be opposites since you turned the pattern over for the second wing)
 - Spines from sparkly felt and spots or other embellishments.
 - 1 large flame from yellow felt
 - 1 small flame from red adhesive felt
 - 1 pair of eyes from white adhesive felt
 - 2 black circles for eyes from black adhesive felt
4. In the center of your booklet you will find the sewing and assembly directions.