



## WAKE-UP WASH MITTS

FINISHED SIZE: APPROXIMATELY 8" X 9"

Babs the flop-eared bunny and Leo the lion will make your child's bath time playful! They start as washcloths, and end up as adorable puppet wash mitts. They're a dream to make—so easy!

### Supplies:

2 washcloths for each mitt (gold washcloths for the lion and lavender for the flop-eared bunny)

Embroidery floss for facial features

Matching all-purpose thread

Water-soluble fabric marker

Darker all-purpose thread to stitch pattern outlines

3" square no-ravel fabric, such as Sensuede or washable felt, for each color appliqué: Lion—brown, black and tan. Bunny—black and pink.

6" square white polyester suede or washable felt for the bunny ears\*

No-sew paper-backed fusible web\*

Temporary spray adhesive\*

Small pom pom for bunny nose

Medium-size pom pom for bunny tail (optional)

¼ yd. 1" gold polyester suede fringe for lion's mane

\*I prefer Sensuede, Steam-A-Seam 2, and Sulky KK2000 spray adhesive.

### Instructions:

1. Enlarge and cut out the pattern on page 158, following instructions for enlarging on page 12.



### NOTABLE

To make your own fringe, use a 1" x 2" strip of polyester suede or washable felt. Draw a line ¼" from one long end, and make clips ¼" apart to meet the line along the strip.

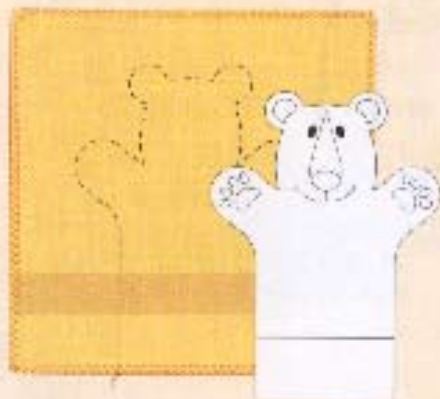


**NOTABLE**

For the hand-embroidered backstitch, bring the needle up at 1, down at 2, and up again at 3. Go down at 1 and come up at 4 to continue stitching.



- Transfer the pattern to a washcloth.
  - Choose whichever pattern you are going to make.
  - Lightly spray the wrong side of the Lion or Bunny pattern with temporary spray adhesive, and attach it to the right side of one washcloth, with the lower edge of the pattern along the finished edge (and with the woven band) of the washcloth.
  - Baste around the pattern with dark thread to transfer the shape to the washcloth.



- Mark placement of appliqués and stitching detail before removing the pattern, if desired.
- Add detail to the wash mitt.
    - Trace the patterns for the appliqués from page 159 on the paper side of the fusible web. Follow the manufacturer's instructions. Trim the appliqués about  $\frac{1}{8}$ " from the marked lines.
    - Press the patterns to the wrong side of the polyester suede or washable felt, using a press cloth and a dry iron.
    - Cut out the appliqués along the marked lines; remove paper backing.
    - Position appliqués on wash mitt where indicated and press in place, using a press cloth and steam iron.

**Lion details:**

- Complete hand embroidery using three strands of floss. Use a backstitch for the mouth.

### Bunny details:

- Complete the hand embroidery using three strands of floss. Use a straight stitch for the eyelashes and a backstitch for the mouth.
- Catch stitch a few pieces of floss or lightweight yarn for the bunny's whiskers, and stitch on a small pom pom for the nose.
- Complete the Bunny Ears.
  - Place the second washcloth and the suede or felt right sides together.
  - Spray glue the bunny ear patterns and place them on top of terrycloth and polyester suede or felt, right sides together, in the corner of the washcloth. Machine stitch close to patterns, leaving top open as far as the notch.



- Cut out bunny ears, leaving a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance in open area. Seam allowance is NOT included in patterns. The remaining ear seam should be trimmed to about  $\frac{1}{8}$ ". Turn ears right-side out.
- Fold seam allowance in open area to the inside. Press. Topstitch around the ears closing the open area with the stitching.
- Position on bunny's head between dots, leaving  $\frac{1}{4}$ " extending past the pattern stitching line.
- Machine stitch ears to head on pattern line. Stitch ears into position.



### NOTABLE

*Place ears as far into corner of washcloth as possible to reserve room for wash mitt body.*

**NOTABLE**

*Place a small, wrapped bar of soap in the front pocket of the mitt. You've created a unique gift for a special child!*

## 4. Complete the wash mitt:

- Fold bottom edge of the appliquéd washcloth up 2¼", and topstitch the sides along the pattern line.
- Lay the second washcloth on work surface with right-side up.
- Lay appliquéd washcloth right side down on second washcloth, lining up folded edge with finished edge of second washcloth. Woven band on second wash cloth should be on top. Pin edges. (If you are making the bunny, make sure to pin the flop ears toward the center so that you don't catch them in the final stitching.)
- Stitch along pattern stitching lines, leaving bottom open.
- Cut out wash mitt trimming seam to ¼". Clip curves and angles; trim corners.
- Turn right-side out.

## Lion:

Stitch lion's mane to the back of the head through all layers with a zigzag stitch, using thread to match the washcloth. The stitches will blend into the terry cloth. Zigzag fringe, to back of lion's head.

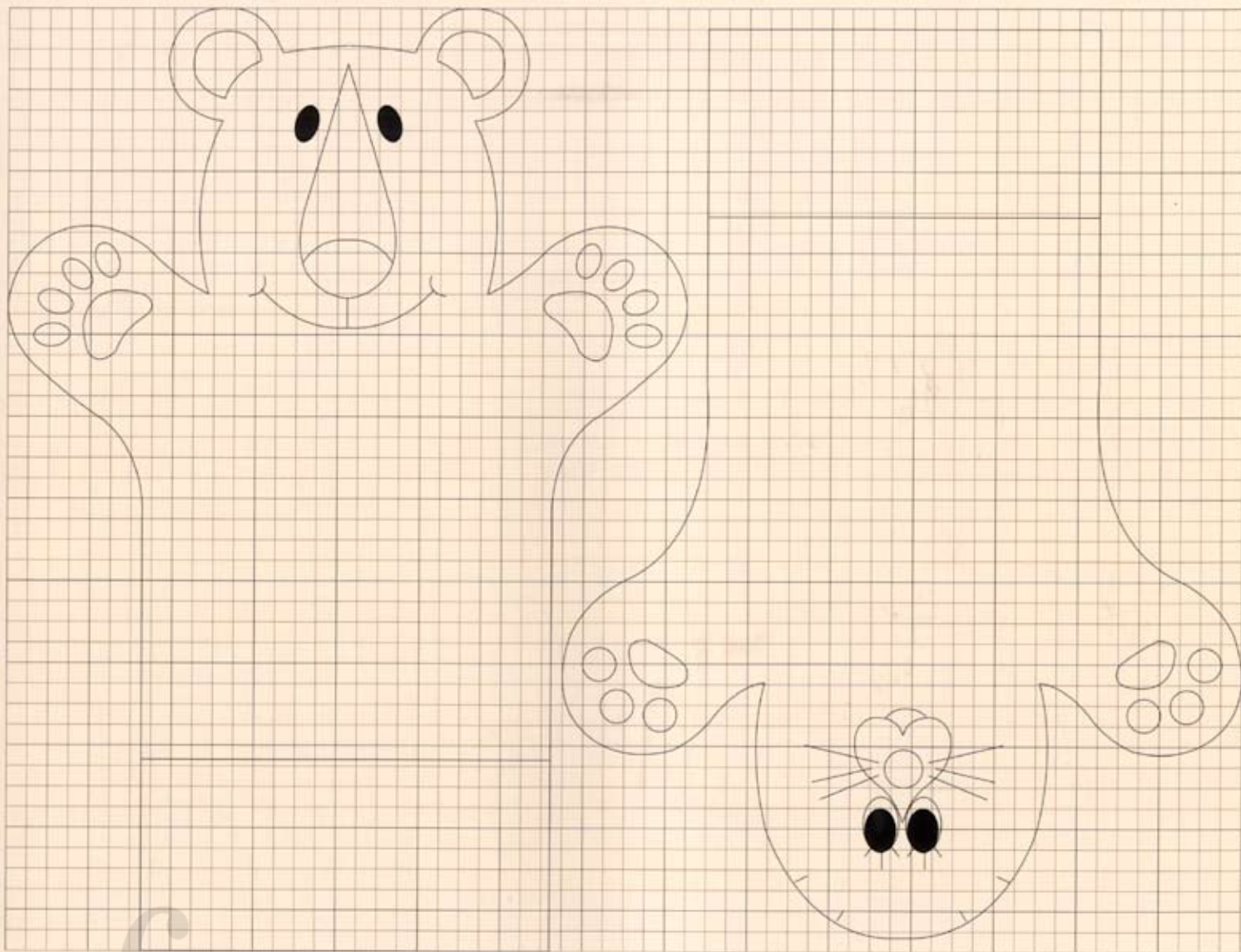


## Bunny:

Stitch a medium pom pom to the bunny for a tail, if desired, stitching through the back layer of terrycloth only.

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Wake-up Wash Mitt—Lion. Enlarge 200%

Wake-up Wash Mitt—Bunny. Enlarge 200%

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Wake-up Wash Mitt Bunny Ears  
Reverse pattern for left ear

Heart

Placement line

Center

Wake-up Wash Mitt—  
Lion Face and Paws

Wake-up Wash Mitt—  
Bunny Face and Paws

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