

**"BLEUETTE"**  
**In Cloth**  
**AS**  
**"ALICE IN WONDERLAND"**  
Online MINI Cloth Doll Class  
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**Chapter 3**

**THE LITTLE WHITE RABBIT FOR ALICE TO HOLD**

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**He is so cute and would make a good prop or toy for other dolls too.**



**White Rabbit standing.**



**White Rabbit sitting.**



**White Rabbit face, with an embroidered nose, and blue animal eyes.**

I make my White Rabbits from White velour. With the stretch side to side, you will have a shorter, fatter Rabbit. With the stretch up and down, you will have a taller, slimmer Rabbit. You could also use white felt, but it would need to be lightweight felt for ease of turning....A hint for using the white Freezer Paper patterns on white fabric.... Color the edges of the pattern pieces with colored pencil so you can see the edges as you are sewing around the templates.

- 1.** Iron all of the pattern pieces onto the wrong side your doubled fabric. In this case, I want to Fuzzy side showing on my Rabbit, so I iron to the smooth side of the velour.
- 2.** Cut the tummy center and the body sides out right along the paper. They have the seam allowances already on them. **THROW AWAY** one tummy piece...You only need one.
- 3.** Cut the template parts away from each other for easier handling.
- 4.** Cut the vest from felt, and glue the shoulder seams with fabric glue, press the lapels back and glue them down too.



**The vest ready to cut out.**



**The vest glued.**



**The parts for the Rabbit both cut out and cut away from each other. You will throw one tummy piece away.**

**5.** Sew the ears around the edge of the template, leaving the straight edge open. Cut them out a scant 1/8" from your sewing, and turn them right side out...NOTE...All template pieces will be cut out the same way...

**6.** Slit the head sides where shown on the pattern, and sew the straight edge of the ears into the slits, folding the edges of the ears to the inside to make the ears fit the slits.



**One ear sewn and the other already cut out.**



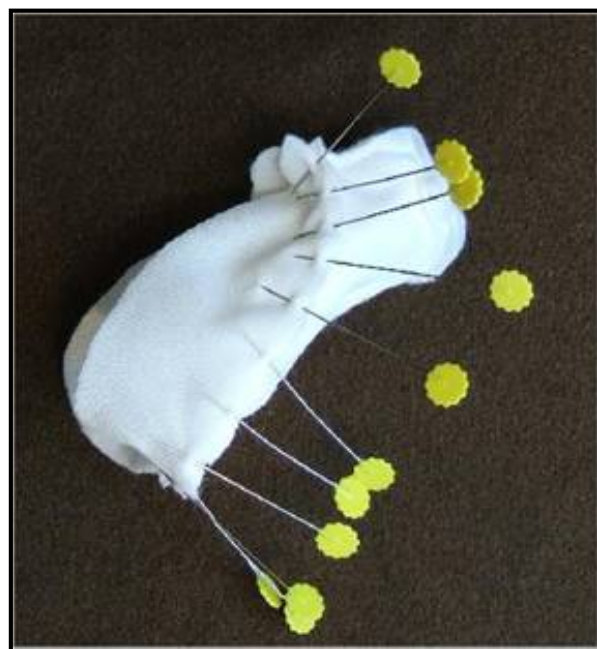
**The ears sewn into the head sides.**

**6.** Sew the body sides together from the nose triangle, over the top of the head, to the triangle at the back.

**7.** Fit, pin and sew the tummy in place on one side. I like to work this part from the nose to the back on one side, and then from the nose to the back on the other side. Any adjustments can be made at the bottom, back, where a tail will be.

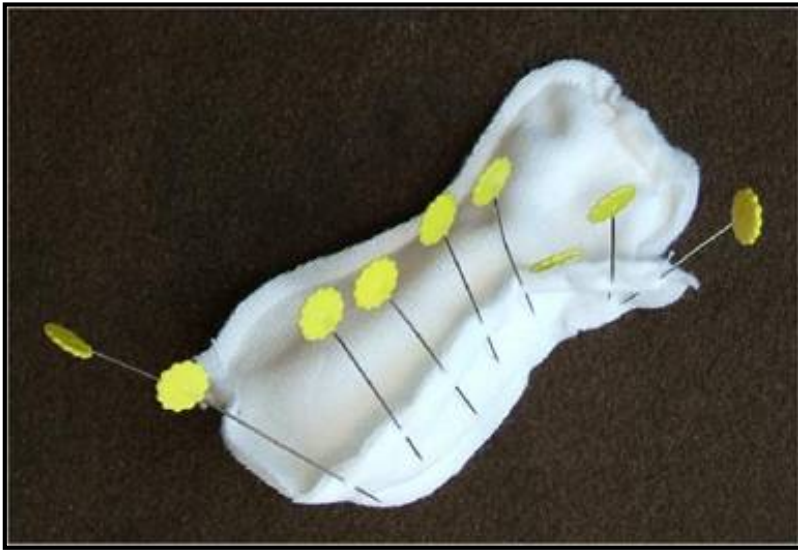


**Sew the body from the nose to the bottom.**



**Tummy piece pinned and then sewn to one side.**

**8.** Fit, pin and sew the other side of the tummy to the other side of the body side. Again, I start at the nose and work towards the bottom. LEAVE an opening for turning and stuffing at the bottom.



**The other side of the body pinned and ready to sew in place.**



**Tummy sewn in place. SEE the opening?**

**9.** Stuff the Rabbit fully, shaping as you stuff. The Rabbit being made in this class is made with the stretch up and down, so he will be thinner.

**10.** Sew the opening shut and bring your needle out at the lower back to sew on the tail. I have used a cotton ball here, and sewn into the body and through it several times to give it a lumpy look. This is also where you will anchor of your stitching, right under the tail.



**Close the opening and come out in back.**



**Sew the tail on.**

**11.** Embroider the nose as a triangle, making a satin stitch from wide to narrow. Bring your needle out at the mouth corner, and then bring it across to the other side and out at the top of the nose. From the top, come out at the tip, and make a stitch straight down from the tip of the nose, to the center of the mouth. Bring the needle out at the top of the nose and sew a few more satin stitches in the nose to cover any spots you missed.

Exit out at the side of the head. I like to put a coat of clear drying glue over the satin stitched nose too. Mostly, because I am a TERRIBLE embroiderer! I almost always end up with a piece of thread that is loose. Did it this time too!!!!



**Satin stitch the nose.**



**Come out at top.**

**12.** You can also sew a line of your pink along each side of the triangle nose, to clean the sides up a bit....OR....You can paint the nose, and do only the mouth with the thread.

**13.** To get the eyes in, you will need to use your big, jointing needle and poke and work a good hole where the eyes go. Then put some glue on the stem of the eye, and push it into place.

**Y**ou could also use beads or tiny buttons for eyes, sewing them in by going back and forth between them several times and then bringing your thread out away from the eyes.



**Finish up by coming out at the side of the face.**



**Poking and digging a hole with my big needle.**



**His face is on.**

- 14.** Sew around the leg and arm templates, leaving them open where marked on your pattern, and cut them out.
- 15.** Fold and press the foot fronts "seam to seam" and then iron the toe templates in place. Sew around the front of the templates to make the foot fronts. Trim the front seam.
- 16.** Stuff the limbs very firmly and ladder stitch the openings shut.

**A**fter stitching, bring your needle out at the inner side of the limbs to anchor off your stitching. Stitch in place several times and then exit away from the stitching. This thread at the inner limbs will be where you sew for jointing. I have colored it so you can see it. **BE SURE** to make a right and a left for legs and arms. This small Rabbit does not need buttons inside for jointing.



**The templates sewn and cut out.**



**Toe templates in place for sewing.**



**The toe templates are off and the seam is trimmed.**



**Close opening, and then come out at inner side.**



**See the stitches, colored red?**



**Make rights and lefts!!**

**17.** Joint your Rabbit just like you do for dolls, except you will sew through the stitching for extra strength, rather than having a button inside.

**18.** Needle sculpt toes if desired. To do so, enter at the bottom of the foot, about half way between the side and seam. Bring your needle out and sew around a couple of time. Exit at the top of the next toe division. Sew around there a few times. To anchor off the sewing, sew back and forth, between the toe stitching several times and exit away from the stitching.



**Joint your Rabbit.**



**Anchor off the sculpting between the toe threads.**

**19.** Sew beads to the vest to simulate buttons. Sew the Clock button to the White Rabbits hand. With gold thread, sew from the clock to the button on the vest, to simulate a watch chain.



**Two White Rabbits. One done with the "stretch" up and down...One with the "stretch" side to side.**

**ALICE HAS CAUGHT THEM BOTH!**



**Alice has her hands full!**

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