
Merna takes a test drive

Online Cloth Doll and Fish Class

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Supply List for Merna Takes a Test Drive

Stand:

- 6-1/2" x 9-1/2" wooden base (approximate)
- 3/8" dowel cut into two 11" lengths
- sandpaper
- The Ultimate glue
- hot glue gun, Crystal Lacquer (optional)
- drill with 3/8" drill bit
- assorted shells, glass beads, small fishes, toads etc. for decorating base
- Gesso (optional)
- acrylic paint in 2-3 colors to paint base
- glitter paint for accenting base (optional)

Fish:

- 1/2 yd. strong woven cotton for body (batiks work especially well)
- fat quarter dupioni silk, organza or cotton lamé for pectoral and small fins
- fat quarter contrasting cotton, silk or organza for dorsal and anal fins
- 1/3 yd. Warm & Natural batting or thin quilt batting
- small amount of two colors of tulle for eyelashes
- 20 mm plastic animal eyes (the kind that have a shank-like end; smaller eyes will also work)
- 3 - 1" plastic drapery rings
- 2 yds. 3/8" satin ribbon
- interfacing if fabric is thin (optional)
- polyester stuffing
- thread to match fabrics
- Upholstery thread, John James Darners in size 7 (my favorite for hand sewing)
- Sequins and beads (optional)

Merna:

- 1/3 yd. skin tone cotton woven for body (I highly recommend Southern Belle muslin)
- 1/2 yd. fabric for tail
- fat quarter contrasting fabric for ruffles (tulle, organza or dupioni silk work exceptionally well)
- 2 – 1/2” buttons
- 2 – 1/2” barrel beads (*optional, Darice makes these and are readily available at craft stores*)
- 6 in. covered wire (*I use the blue plastic covered wire for electrical work, available at the hardware store*)
- two 1-1/2” pompoms
- 10 chenille stems or pipe cleaners
- an assortment of graduated sizes of beads, pearls, and sequins
- fun yarns, strips of tulle for hair
- Gel pens in black and brown, white paint pen, Prismacolor pencils in 3 colors for coloring eyes and lips, 2-3 shades for shading the face (brown tones) and blushing cheeks (peach or pink tones), a white chalk pastel pencil or gel pen is also helpful for highlighting.
- Polyester stuffing and regular sewing and stuffing tools

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