

How to Make a Fabric Pinwheel

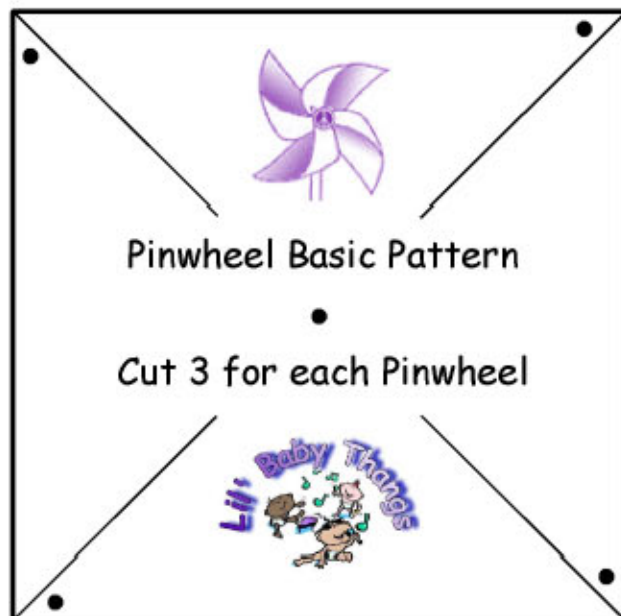
1. Cut out 2 squares of fabric, the size you need for each pinwheel. (You may enlarge or reduce the basic pattern to any size.) You may use the same fabric for both sides or 2 different fabrics for the front and the back. You will also need to cut 1 square of fusible web (fusing) for each pinwheel.

2. Layer them up so you have 1 fabric square face (right-side) down. Add the layer of fusing. Now put the other fabric square on top face (right-side) up. Iron them together, following the directions that came with the fusing.

3. There are a couple of options for this step when cutting the diagonal lines. You can use Fray Check and apply it around all of the edges and on the diagonal lines on both sides of the fabric sandwich. Let it dry. Then cut the diagonal lines. The other way is to cut the lines and satin stitch all of the raw edges. They will also stay together just fine if you don't do anything with the raw edges, as long as they were securely fused together.

4. Thread a needle and knot the thread. Insert the needle through the center dot from the back to front. Take a corner with a dot and bring it down over the needle and push the needle through the dot. You want to catch enough fabric that it won't pull out. Repeat for each of the four corners. An embellishment could be added here, such as a sequin or button.

5. Sew the points together with a few



stitches, then securely *sew the pinwheel to the toe of the bootie or whatever you are attaching it to.

*Another option is to use a snap so the pinwheel will spin. After "tacking or securing" the points together, use a pronged snap to secure them. Position the "Cap or Ring" part of the snap over the center of the centered points and push the prongs through the layers of fabric. Turn the pinwheel over to the back side. Use the eraser end of a pencil to finish pushing the prongs through the fabric. Place the female half of the snap in position over the prongs and hammer them together (using manufacturers instructions). Attach the other part of the snap to the bootie or whatever you'd like to attach it to, so the male or nipple part of the snap is on the outside. Snap them together.



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