

PENGUIN NEEDLE HOLDER

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I love penguins and hand applique--so I thought why not combine the two to make a fun holder for hand applique needles? Mr. Penguin can be made with button eyes or with sunglasses ready for summer!

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

Fabric:

2 pieces blue 4 1/2" x 8 1/2"

1 piece black 5 x 5"

1 piece white 3 x 3"

1 piece grey 1 x 1"

1 piece green 1 x 1"

Other:

1 piece thin batting 4 1/4" x 8 1/4"

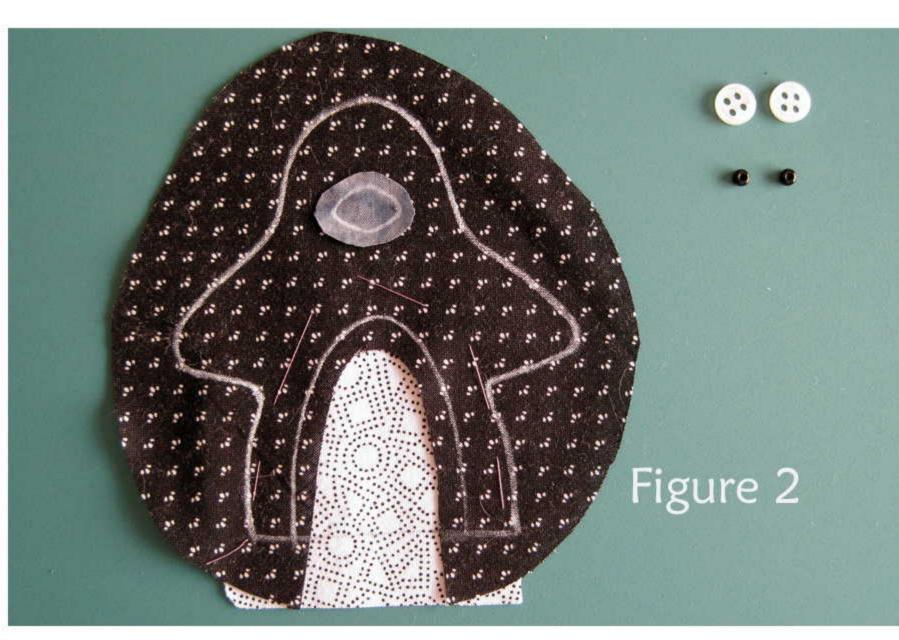
1 piece white felt 3 1/4 x 6 1/2"

2 white buttons 1/4"

2 black seed beads

HOW TO ASSEMBLE:





- 1. Using the templates provided applique the penguin to one of the pieces of blue fabric using the applique method of your choice (which is hopefully hand applique!).
- 2. The method that I use is to cut the template into the body, belly and beak pieces, set on top of the right side of the fabric and mark around the template using the marking pencil of your choice. (Figure 1).
- 3. When I applique, I applique the entire animal together and then applique it to the background. I also cut the seam allowances as I go and only the ones needed at the time. So I would start by cutting 1/4" seam allowance in the black around the belly, pin and baste it to the white and then applique the black to the white. (Figure 2).
- 4. Then cut a seam allowance around the beak and applique it to the face (Figure 3)