

## Requirements for Fabric Taxidermy (Reindeer or Goat)

- Sewing Machine, scissors and threads etc
- Hand sewing kit
- Strong thread for hand sewing (black is good)
- $\frac{3}{4}$  m of freezer paper, iron and ironing board
- Fabric, you can use anything you wish - woolens, velvet, furnishing fabrics or cotton (you will need iron on lining for thinner fabrics like cotton)
- Blown fibre stuffing
- Fur fabric for hair approx 8cm x 11cm ( $3'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$ ) old doilies, braid for decoration
- Turning Tools
- Stuffing Fork
- Black and white felt or buttons for eyes, velvet or brown felt for nose
- 4 Long chenille sticks for ears - twist 2 together for each ear
- The Antlers and Horns are wired - you will need 1.6mm (16g) galv. wire
- Pliers to cut wire
- Masking tape to cover wire
- Tacky craft glue
- 1 Picture hook, best get one that sits flat (I got mine from the picture framer)
- Ruler and pencil
- Paint or varnish to decorate mounting board
- Felt pen or black paint and small paint brush for name
- Cotton fabric to cut up to decorate your mounting board
- You will need a 'mounting board'. I used 18mm ( $\frac{3}{4}''$ ) ply about 30cm x 13cm (12" x 5") I painted mine with chalk paint but varnish may look good too, or maybe cover board with fabric
- Hammer and two 100mm (4") nails

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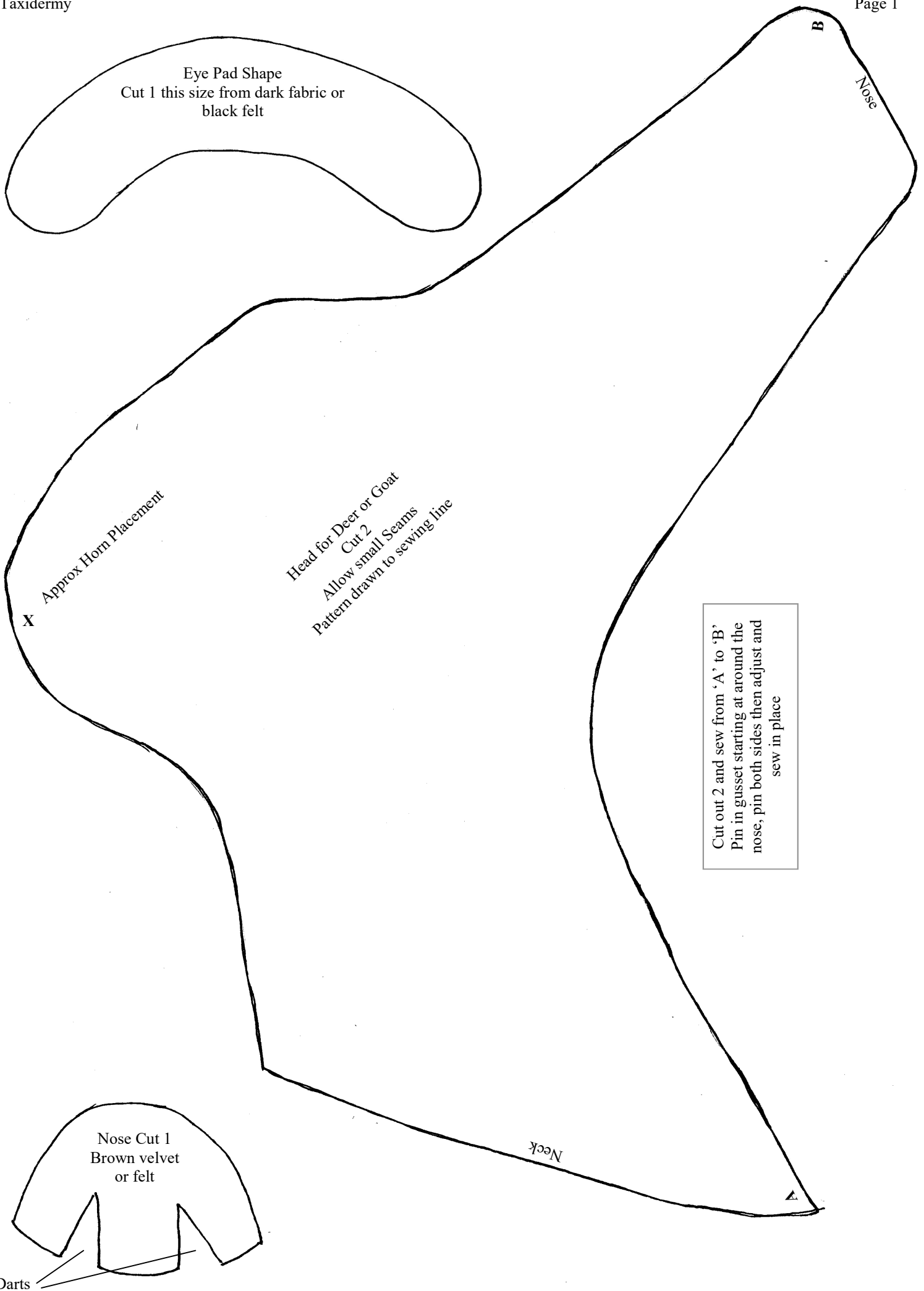
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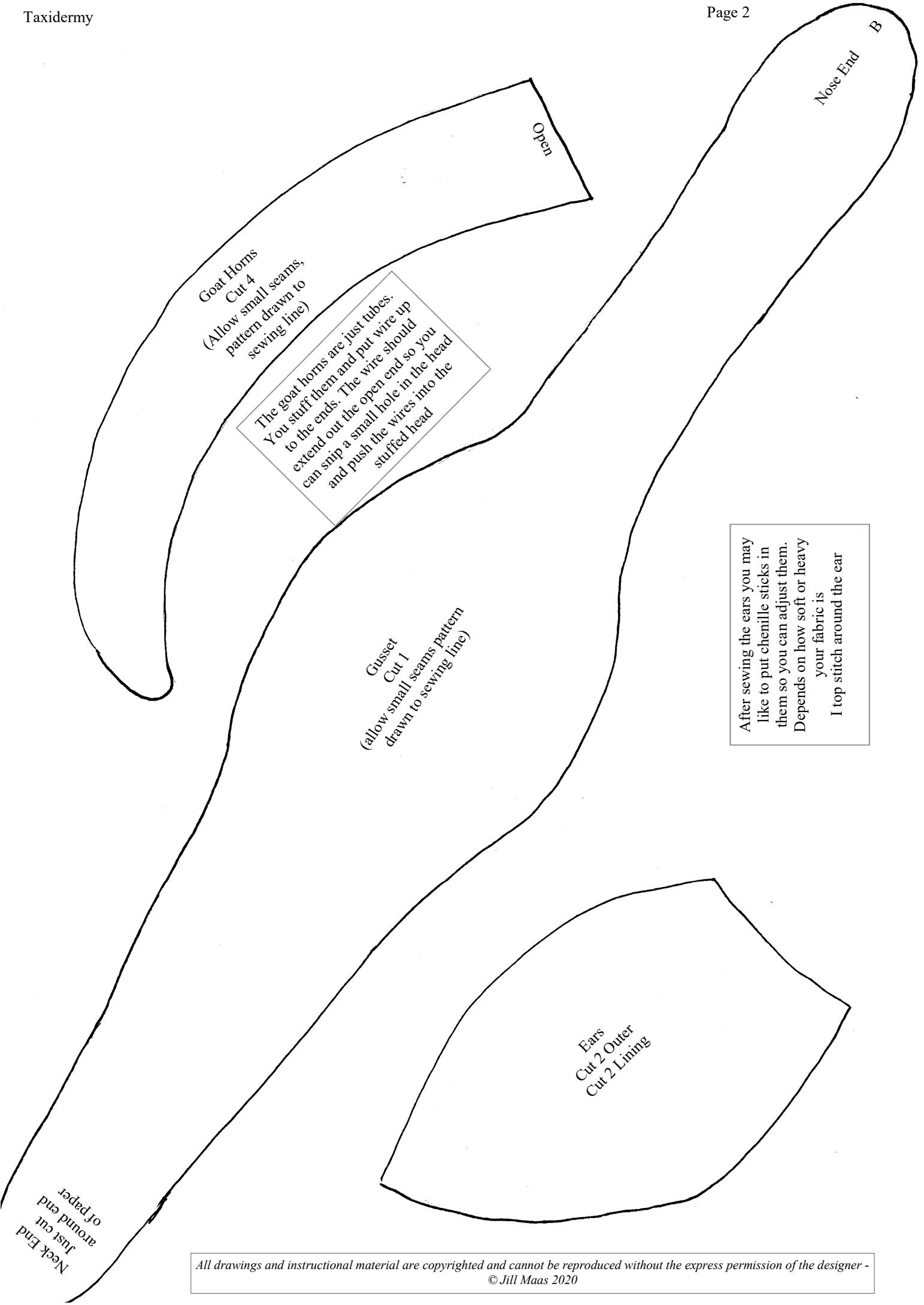
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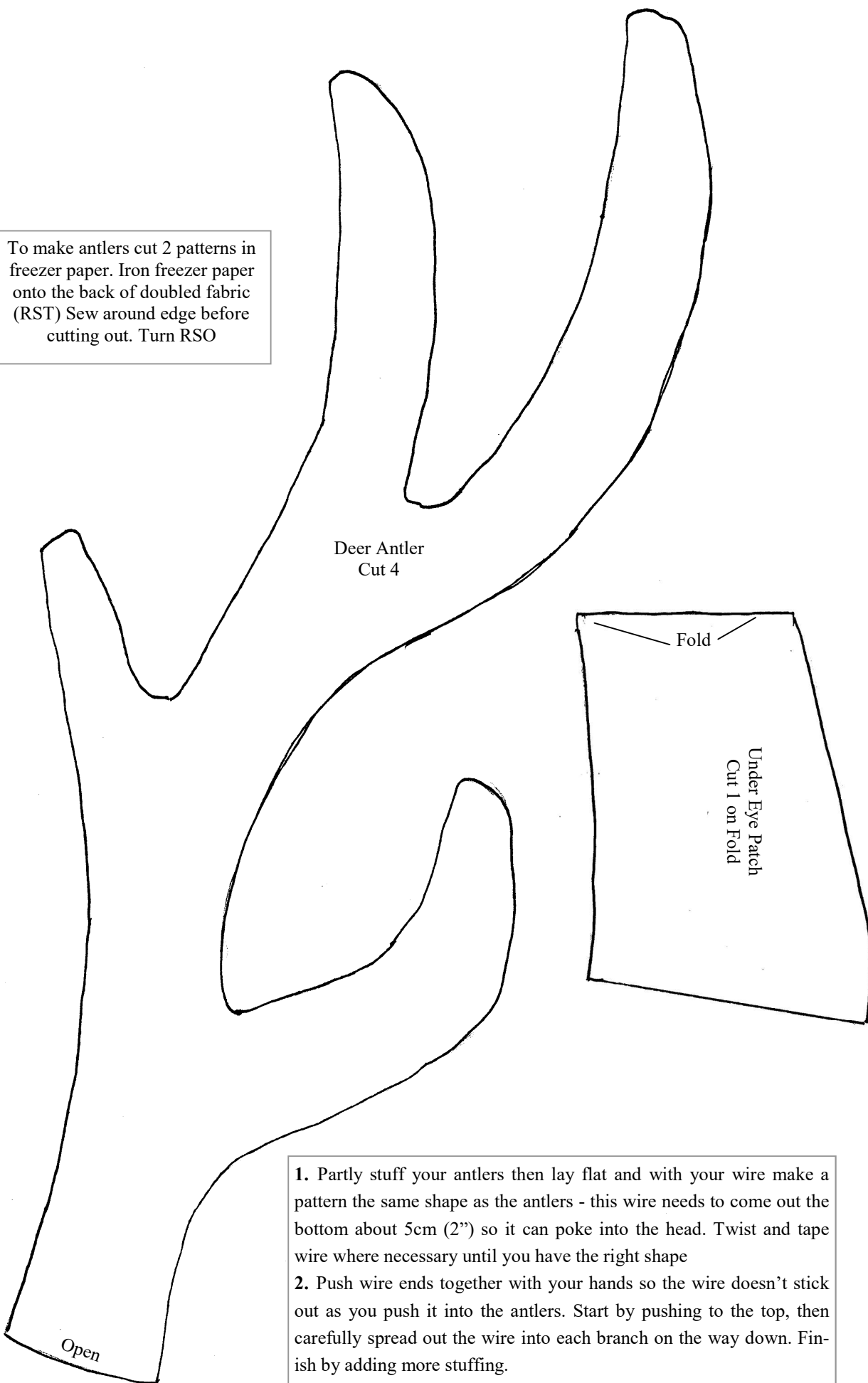
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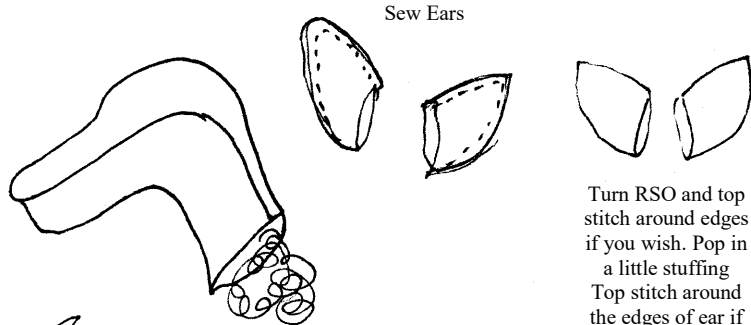
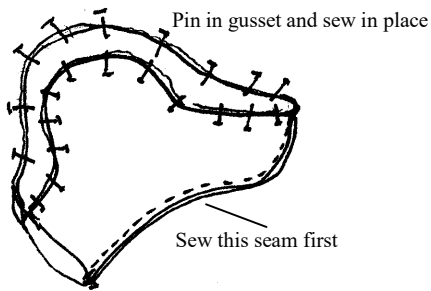
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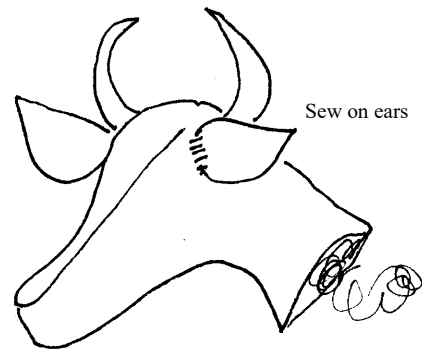
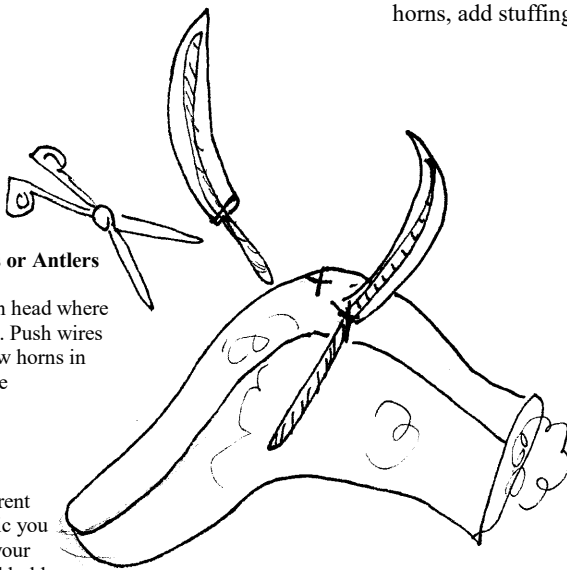
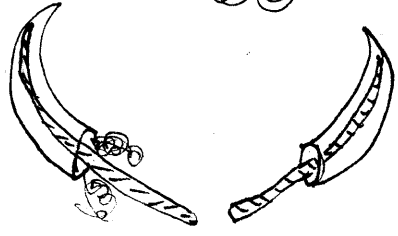
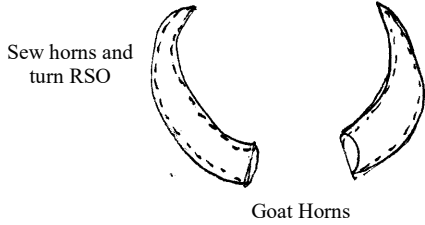




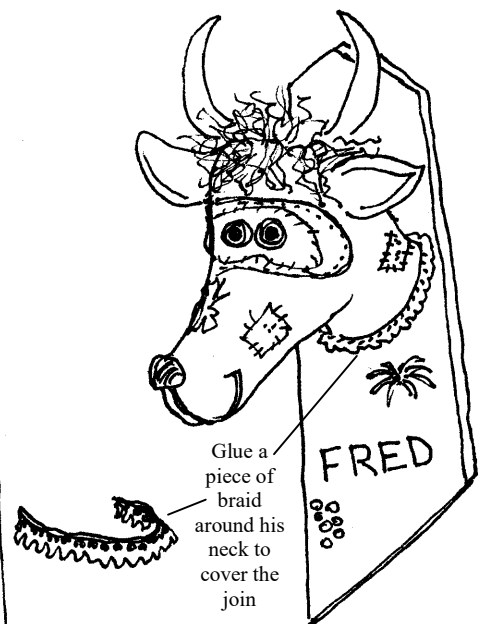




Turn RSO and top stitch around edges if you wish. Pop in a little stuffing. Top stitch around the edges of ear if you wish



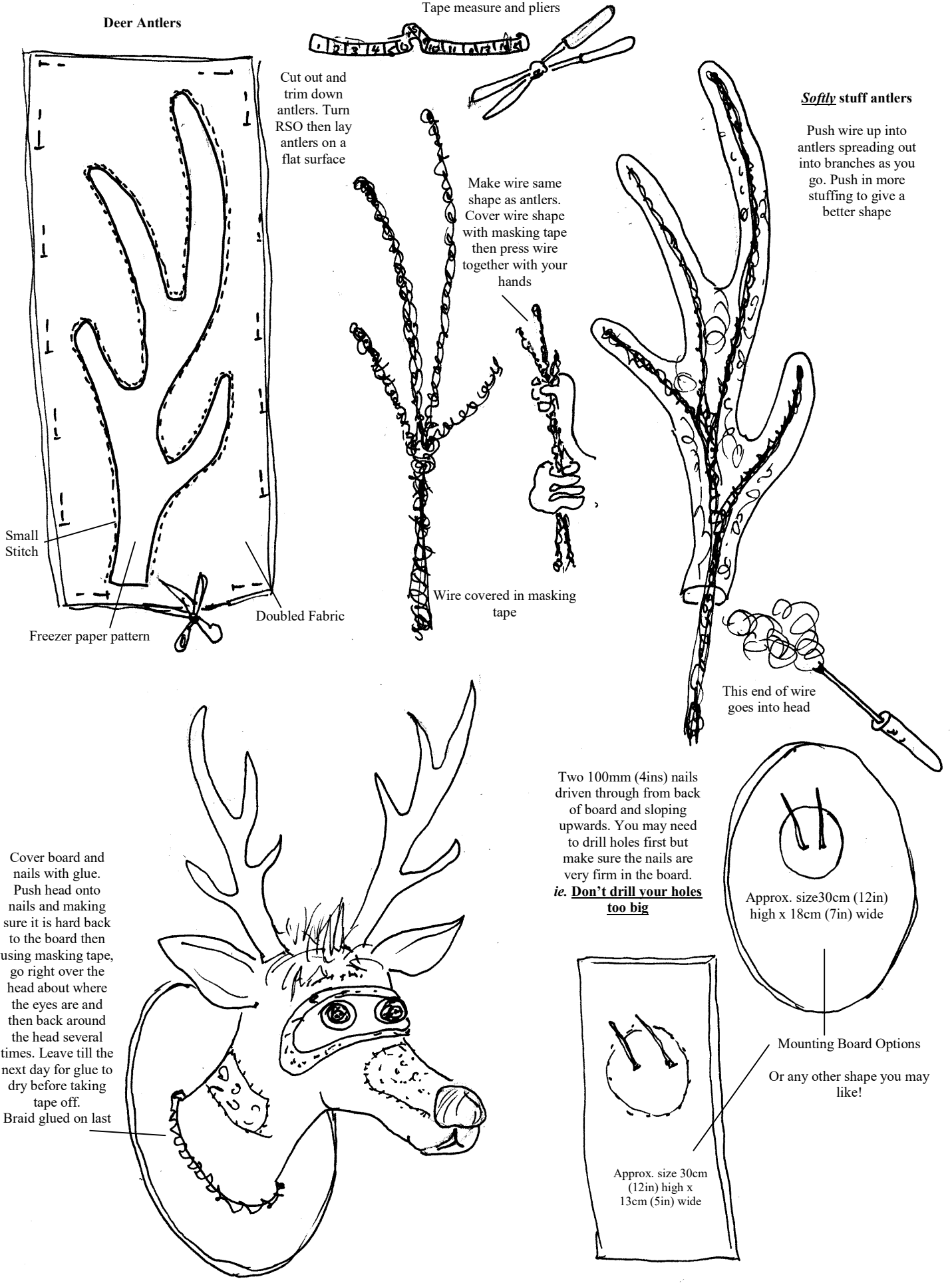
Each head looks different depending on what fabric you use, so after stuffing your head pin on the ears and hold up the horns or antlers, adjust placing of both before sewing in place



Once finished decorating the head glue with tacky glue to mounting board pushing the nails up into the head. Then use masking tape going right round the board and head to hold it in place till the next day

Give your head a name with black paint or a pencil you can blend and add a little decoration to your board if you wish.

Deer Antlers



Cut out and trim down antlers. Turn RSO then lay antlers on a flat surface

Tape measure and pliers

Softly stuff antlers

Push wire up into antlers spreading out into branches as you go. Push in more stuffing to give a better shape

Make wire same shape as antlers. Cover wire shape with masking tape then press wire together with your hands

Wire covered in masking tape

This end of wire goes into head

Cover board and nails with glue. Push head onto nails and making sure it is hard back to the board then using masking tape, go right over the head about where the eyes are and then back around the head several times. Leave till the next day for glue to dry before taking tape off. Braid glued on last

Two 100mm (4ins) nails driven through from back of board and sloping upwards. You may need to drill holes first but make sure the nails are very firm in the board. **ie. Don't drill your holes too big**

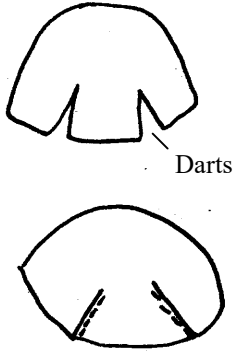
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Mounting Board Options

Or any other shape you may like!

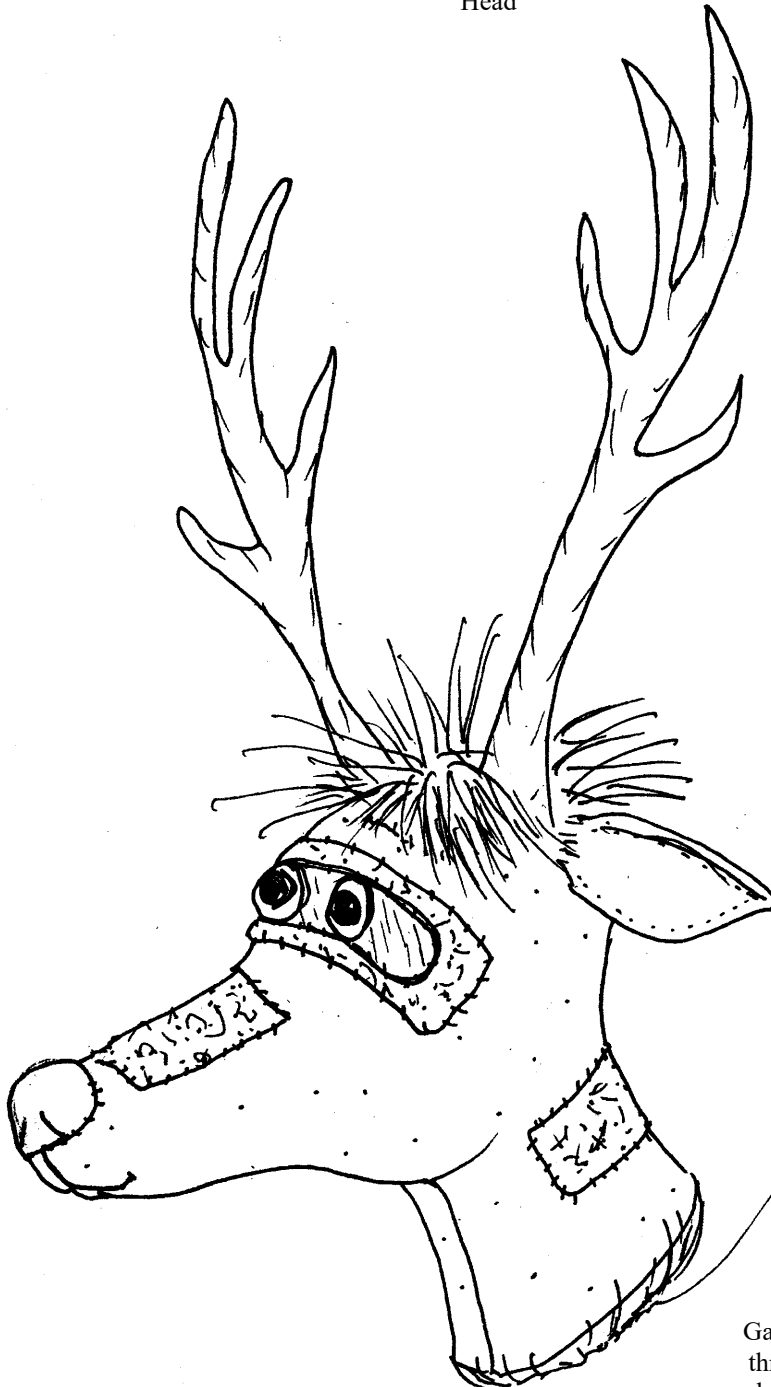
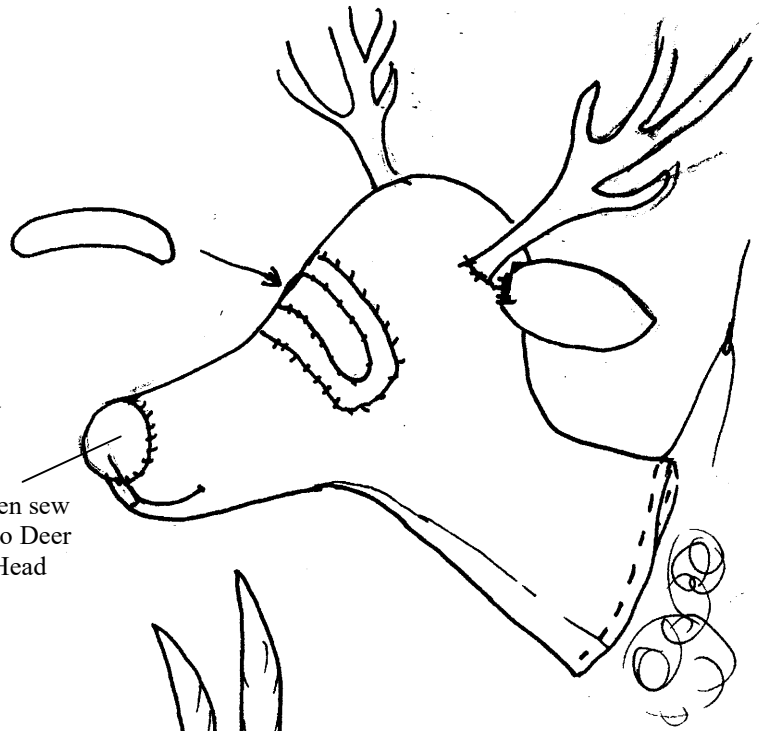
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Nose

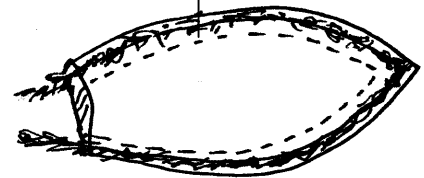


Sew Darts

Then sew onto Deer Head



Chenille stick in ear



Pin chenille stick around edge of ear then top stitch ear

Give him (or her) some fur fabric hair  
Cut 2 slits to go around antlers as you stitch it in place

Gather around edge with strong thread and slightly gather in to hold stuffing before you glue onto mounting board