

# LITTLE FROG "LILLY" ©1983

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Little Frog "LILLY" is the sweetest little frog, all dressed up in her party dress, panties and "Mary Janes".

You can tie a lock of curly chenille hair to the top of her head; or a few strands of a soft fluffy yarn. Tie a bow into her "hair" and she is especially sweet. Her body is only two pieces and you can make her in a jiffy!



Please **READ AND HEED** the instructions for the easiest way to make LILLY, and note the "NO STUFFING" areas. If you stuff those areas she won't be able to sit and her head will not drop forward.

Happy frogging,

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## YOU WILL NEED:

- 1/2 yard of green velour (this will make 2 or 3 frogs).
- 1/4 yd. of a pretty, soft print or plain fabric for her dress (one dress).
- A tiny piece of felt for her shoes (one 9 x 12 will make 3 pairs).
- 2 1/2" black pom poms for eyes (to be used with the eyelids on the pattern page)
- OR one pair of frog eyes about the size of the one to the right.. These can be purchased from a craft store.
- The cuff of a child's anklet or rib knit for socks.
- 2 yards of lace for dress and panties.
- 3/4 yard of 1/8" wide elastic for panties and dress sleeves.
- 12" of 1/4" ribbon for hair bow.
- 18" of 1/8" ribbon for shoe ties.
- 2 small snaps.
- A small amount of polyester stuffing.
- Paper or pellon to retrace your pattern onto.
- Ordinary sewing supplies.



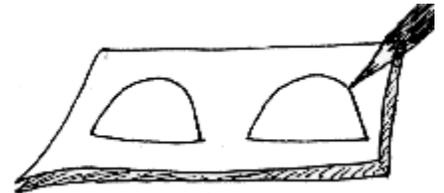
# LET'S BEGIN FROGGING

- 1) Read through all instructions and familiarize yourself with the pattern pieces.
- 2) Retrace your pattern to paper or pellon. Cut out.
- 3) Decide if you are going to make a template to draw around for the eyelids or you going to cut the eyelids out before sewing them.

**TEMPLATE METHOD:** Cut the eyelid pattern on the stitching line. Draw around this pattern on a piece of fabric



doubled. Stitch on the lines you drew, then cut out the eyelids close to the stitching. **NOTE:** To turn the eyelids right side out you will make a slit in one side. Turn through the slit, stuff very lightly and stitch the slit shut.



- 4) Cut all pieces from your fabrics.
- 5) Place the two body pieces right sides together and stitch all around. Leave an opening in the bottom for turning and stuffing.

6) Turn LILLY right side out. Leave the little mouthpiece pushed to the inside.

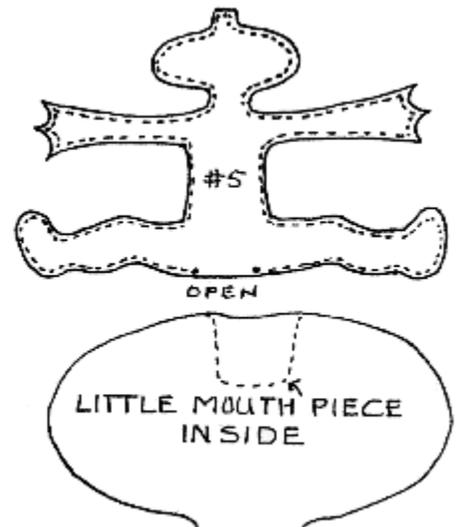
6A) If you are using plastic frog eyes you need to apply them now. Note the position on the pattern. Make a tiny hole for each eye to push through the fabric, then push the metal clip onto the plastic part inside the head.

7) Stuff the head to the neck. **DO NOT STUFF THE NECK.**

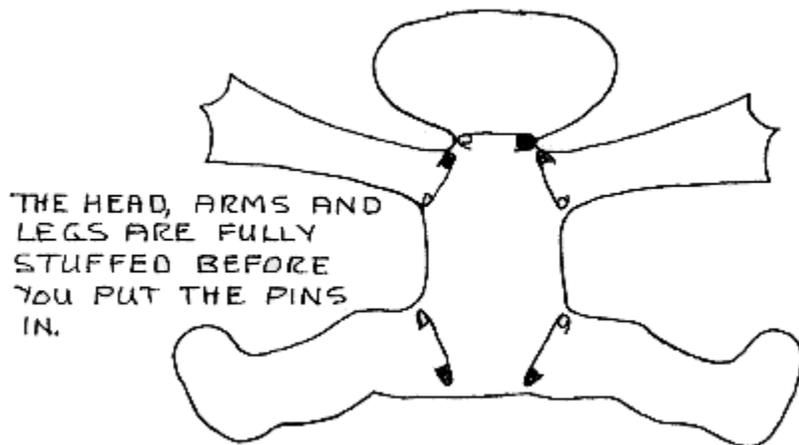
8) Stuff the hands and arms to the shoulders. **DO NOT STUFF THE SHOULDERS.** You can curve the arms in as you stuff since the velour is pliable and shapes

9) Stuff the feet and legs to the hips. **DO NOT STUFF THE HIPs.**

10) Now put stuffing up into the body in a large piece. Fold LILLY'S head forward and keep the stuffing out of the neck, shoulders and hips.



**NOTE: It may help you if you pin a safety pin at the neck, shoulders and hips, as illustrated.**



**11) Close the bottom opening with a ladder stitch.**

**12) Remove the safety pins and form LILLY'S legs and arms forward and let her head drop forward.**

**13) If you are using Pom Poms and fabric eyelids put them on now.**

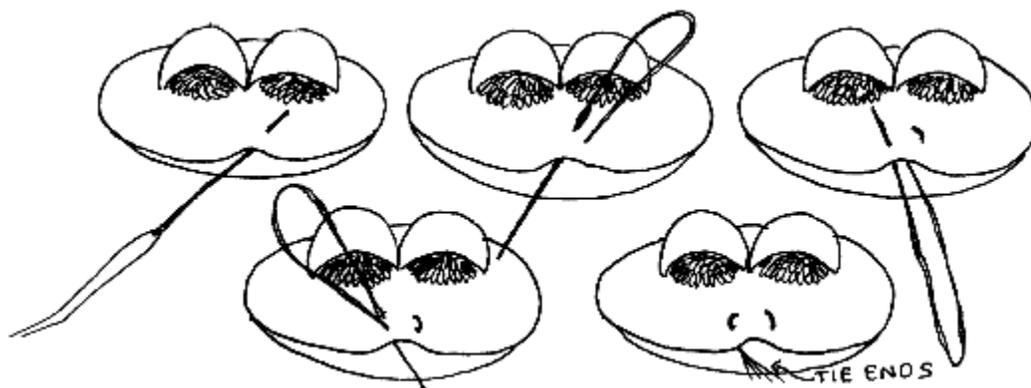
**14) Glue or stitch the Pom Poms in place as illustrated.**

**15) Stitch the eyelids in place with the flat edge over the Pom Pom. You only need to tack the eyelids at each corner and a couple of spots on the curved edge.**

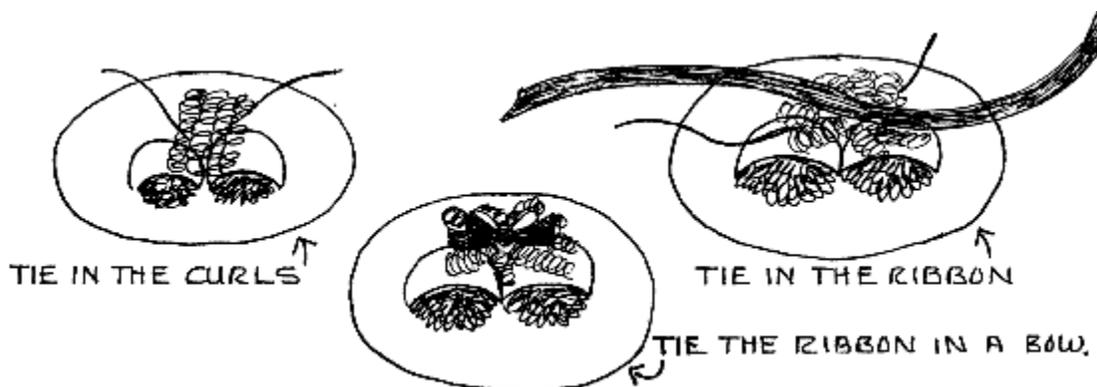


**16) To make the nostrils, thread a needle with 2 strands of thread, pull half way through and knot the ends. You will be sewing with 4 strands of thread.**

**17) Put the needle in at the inside of LILLY'S mouth. Come out at a nostril spot. Go back in about 1/8" away from where you came out. Exit at the mouth, repeat for the other nostril. Tie ends, and clip thread close to fabric inside mouth.**



18) To tie in LILLY'S "hair" cut 4 strands of curly Chenille, each 1" long or make 8 loops of yarn the same length. Put a quadruple thread through LILLY'S head as illustrated and tie the hair in place. Then using the same thread, tie a ribbon in place. Tie the ribbon in a bow.



19. Put a life lite in LILLY'S eyes with white paint, White Out Correction Fluid or by gluing a tiny jewel onto each eye.

NOTE: If you used plastic eyes you won't do step # 19.

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## DRESS

First put the trimming on the bodice front. Then sew shoulder seams of bodice. Sew shoulder seams of lining. Put bodice and lining right sides together and sew center backs and neck seam. Clip curves at neck and turn. Gather skirt front and backs to fit bodice front and backs. Sew skirt to bodice. Gather sleeves to fit arm openings. Stitch in place. Hem bottom edge of sleeve and trim with lace. Stretch and sew 1/8" elastic where shown on pattern. Stitch underarm and side seams and back seam to dot. Hem the skirt bottom. Trim any way you wish ... lace, ric rac, braid, etc.

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## PANTIES

Sew lace to leg openings after first turning a tiny hem to the right side. Stretch and sew 1/8" wide elastic at leg openings where shown on pattern. Sew side seams of panties. Turn the top edge of the panties to the inside on the line and stretch and sew 1/8" wide elastic all around.

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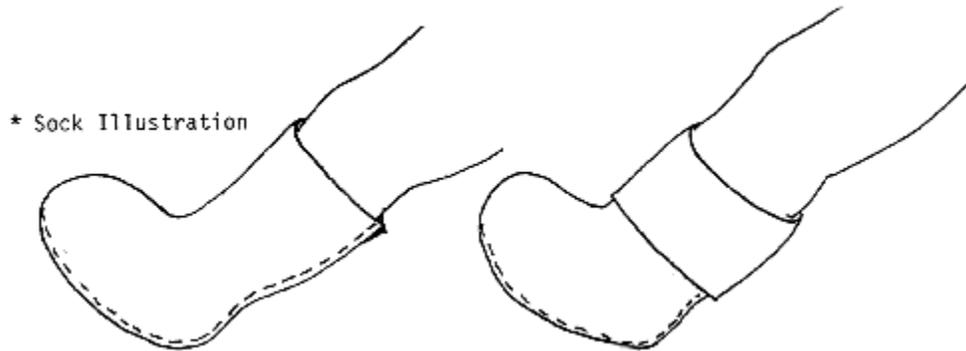
## SOCKS

Sew seam as shown.\* Put socks on WRONG side out. Turn down a cuff at the ankle. The cuff will cover the seam.

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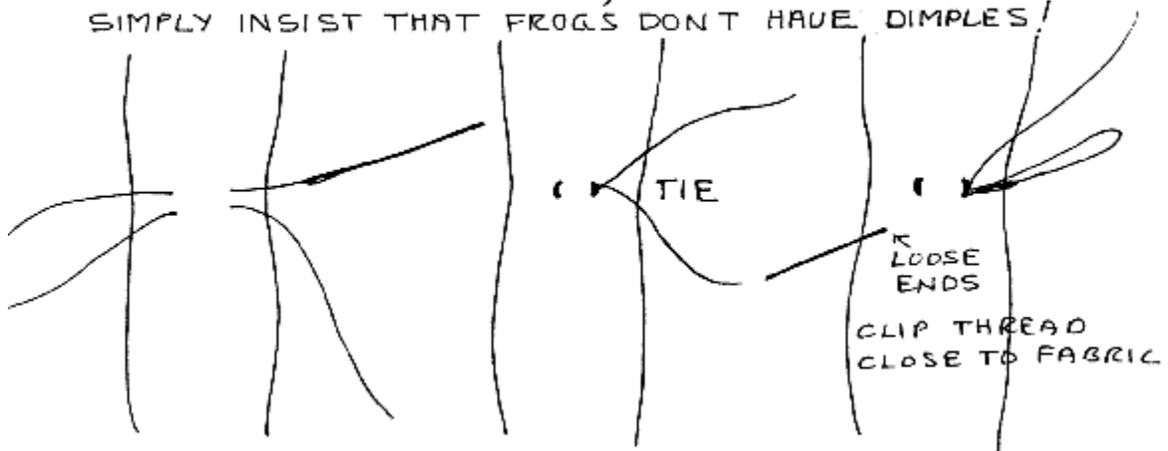
## SHOES

Sew back seam. Sew shoe top to shoe sole, Turn shoes right side out. Cut a tiny slit in each strap and put 1/8" wide ribbon through it, Tie in a bow on LILLY'S feet.



Dress LILLY and see how "unfrogettable" beautiful she is!

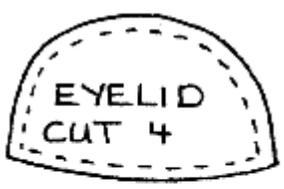
YOU CAN DIMPLE LILLY'S KNEES IF YOU WISH. I LIKE THEM WITH DIMPLES, BUT SOME PEOPLE SIMPLY INSIST THAT FROGS DONT HAVE DIMPLES!



THIS FUNNY LOOKING PART WILL STAY INSIDE AFTER YOUR FROG IS TURNED RIGHTSIDE OUT. IT FORMS "LITTLE FROGS" MOUTH.

NOSTRIL SPOT

YOU CAN MAKE EYES FROM THE POMPOMS AND EYELIDS OR YOU CAN USE PLASTIC FROG EYES PURCHASED FROM A CRAFT STORE.



PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE EYELIDS.

PLACE THIS EDGE ON THE FOLD

"LITTLE FROG LILLY'S" BODY

CUT 2 ON THE FOLD FROM GREEN VELOUR.

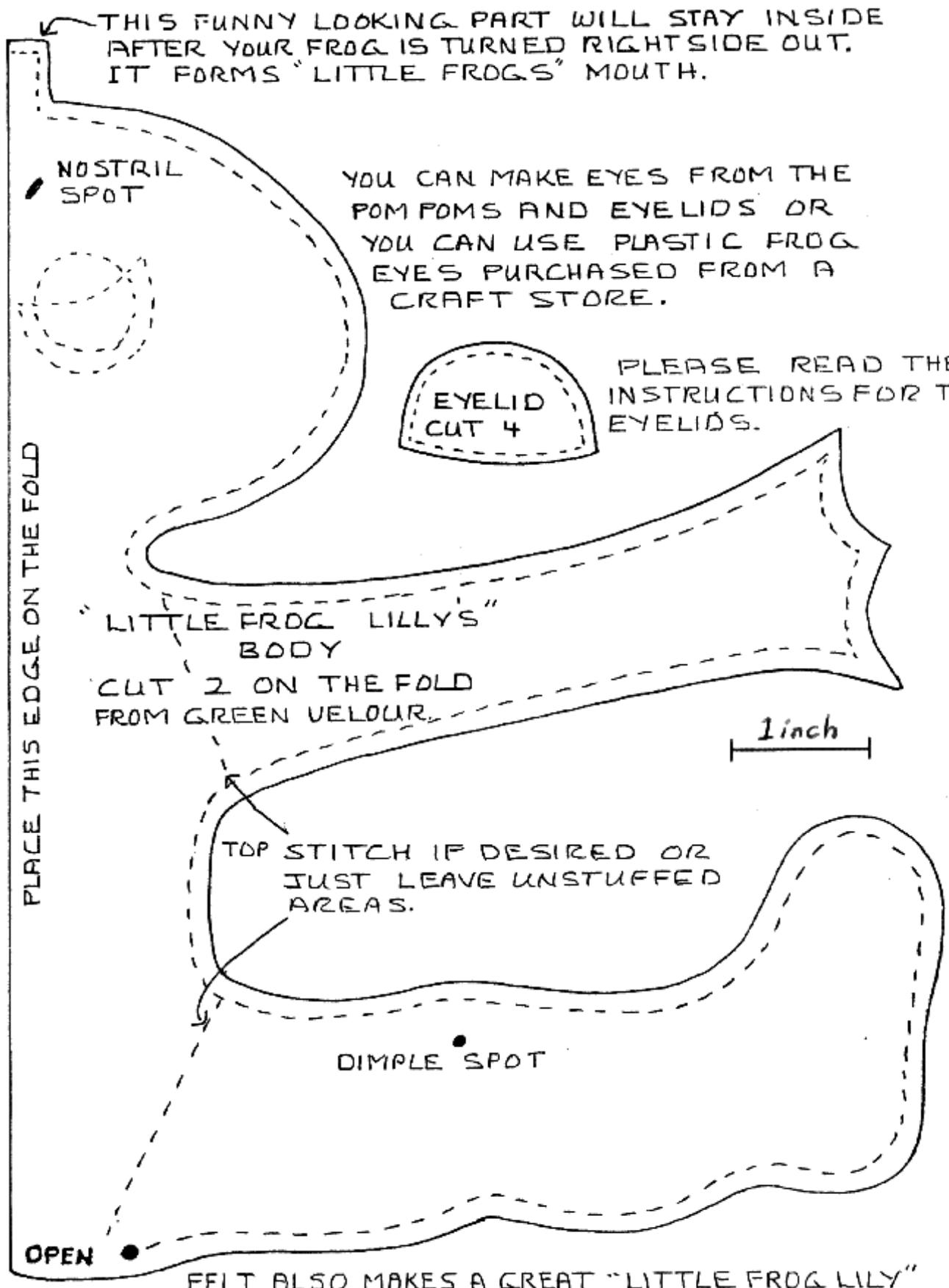
1 inch

TOP STITCH IF DESIRED OR JUST LEAVE UNSTUFFED AREAS.

DIMPLE SPOT

OPEN

FELT ALSO MAKES A GREAT "LITTLE FROG LILY"



ONE FOURTH INCH SEAM ALLOWANCE INCLUDED UNLESS MARKED OTHERWISE.

1 inch

