Serene Seahorse Pin Doll

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General Instructions:

- 1. Pattern is a template, meaning it does not include seam allowances.
- 2. Use a 1.5mm stitch length
- 3. User pinking shears to clip curves
- 4. This pattern works best with a cotton batik fabric.

Preparation:

- 1. Trace pattern on freezer paper and cut out.
- 2. Fold fabric in half, right sides together.
- 3. Iron template on one side of fabric, following grain line.

Construction:

- 1. Stitch around template, leaving open where indicated.
- 2. Fraycheck outside of seam around mouth and tail. Remote the template
- 3. Clip seam allowances around body.
- 4. Trim seam allowance around mouth and tail to scant 1/16".
- Using curved hemostats, turn mouth and tail. Slide the tail up the hemostats and grab the seam in the open end of the hemostats. Close and lock the hemostats. Pull gently to get the tail turned.
- 6. Finish turning the seahorse and press flat.
- 7. Top stitch the mane with matching thread.
- 8. Stuff the body, starting with the tail. Work with small bits of stuff and push them into the tip of the tail, making sure to stuff firmly.
- 9. Stuff up to the opening, then switch to the head. Stuff the mouth and head.
- 10. Continue stuffing the body until firm.
- 11. Stitch the opening closed.

Embellishing:

- 1. Thread a needle with beading thread and knot.
- 2. Pull thread through seahorse from back, coming up where the eye goes.
- 3. String a 3/8" sequin and 1 size 6 black seed bead.
- 4. Go back through the sequin and through the head. Pull tightly and knot off.
- 5. Take apart a silk daisy and cut two of the petals for the wings.
- 6. Take apart a silk dogwood, fold in half for the upper wing and glue front to back with Fabric-Tac.
- 7. Using Fabric-Tac, glue the wings to the body where indicated and pin. Glue upper wing on top of wing on the top side. Let dry.
- 8. Paint edges of flowers with metallic acrylic paint.
- 9. Sew pin back to the back of the sea horse over wing.
- 10. Embellish tail and manewith paint or beads as desired.



