

Felt Flower Pot

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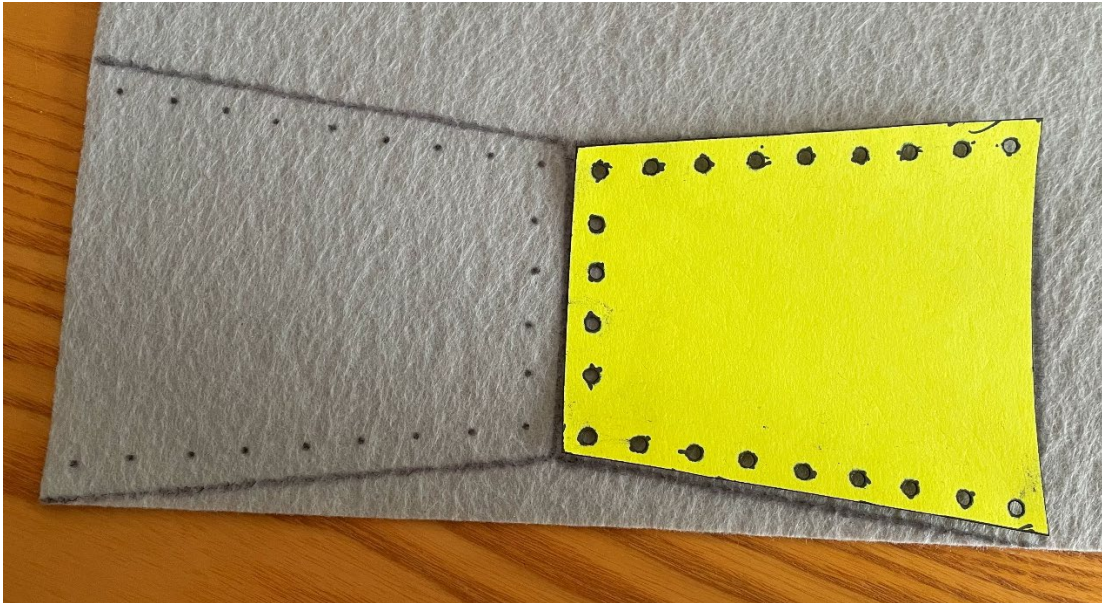


You will need:

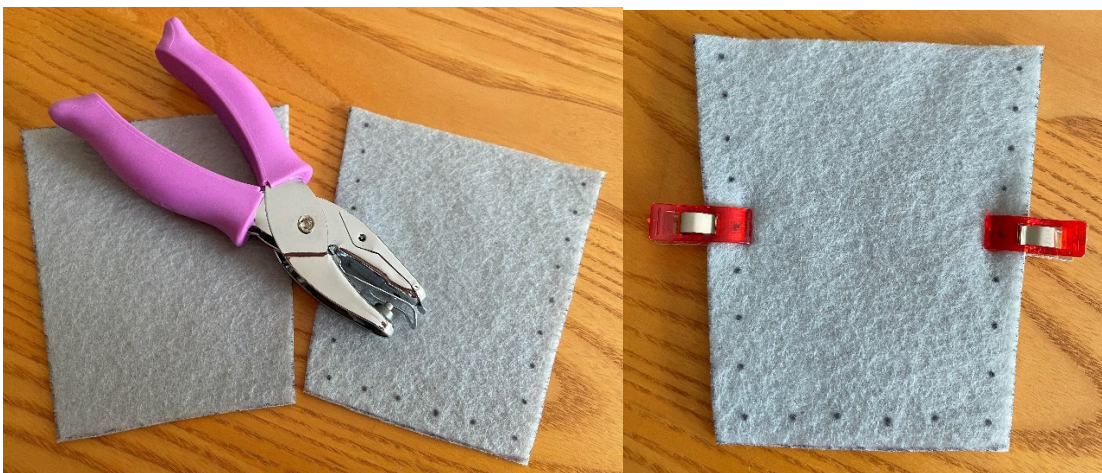
- Flower pot template (on the last page of this document)
- Craft felt
- Marker or tailor's chalk
- Scissors
- Hole punch (we used 1/8")
- 6-strand embroidery thread
- Tapestry needle
- Small binder clips or sewing clips

Directions:

1. Cut out the template at the end of this document.
2. Trace the template onto your craft felt using a marker or chalk (make 2).



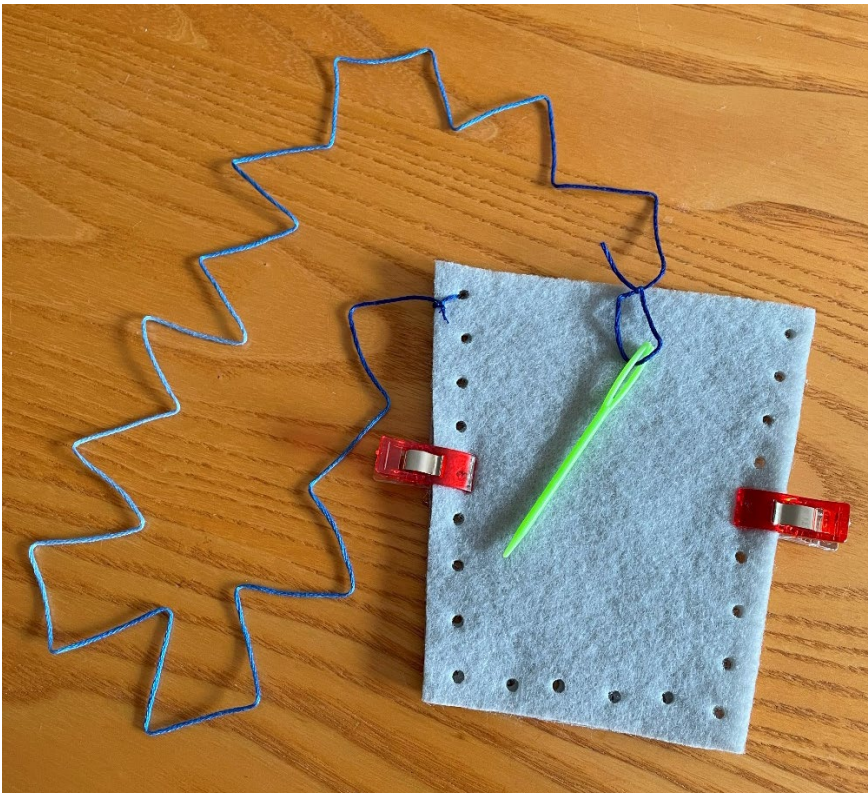
3. Cut out the pieces and clip them together.



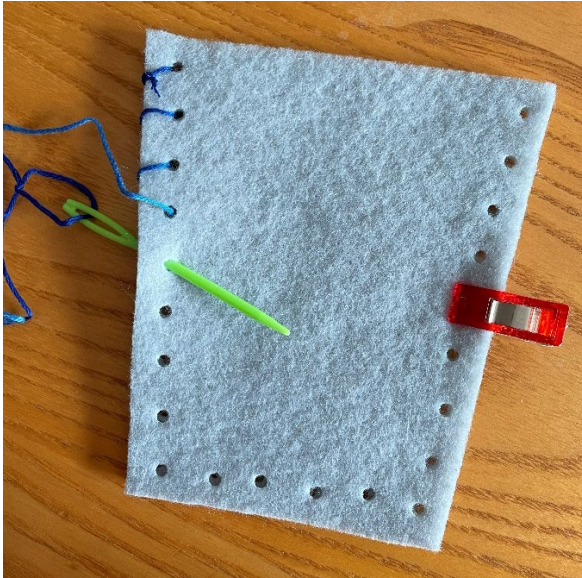
- Using a hole punch, punch 22 holes (marked on template) around the vase.



- Prepare a tapestry needle with one yard of embroidery thread. For young children, secure the thread to both the needle and the felt pieces so that it doesn't slip out.



- Whip stitch* all the way down one side, across the bottom, and up the other side of the flower pot, leaving the top open. Secure the thread and snip.



*Tip: this craft can be reused again and again to teach older children different styles of hand stitching.

- Now that your flower pot is complete, you can go on a nature walk and fill it with all sorts of cool things! Remember: always respect public trails, and only take organic materials (leaves, flowers, twigs, etc) that have already fallen to the ground on their own.



I have created this document with the interest of building fine motor skills, bilateral hand use, and creativity to young children through hands-on play. I have provided this pattern and its instructions for free so that it can be accessible to all. No part of this document may be sold at any time.
With love,
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