

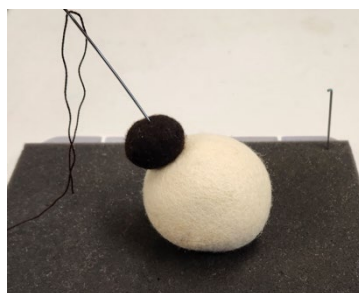
Needle Felted Sheep

Materials: (Included)

1 - 7cm white wool ball
1 – small brown ball
20 grams sheep locks
5-7 grams brown fiber
Embroidery thread
Small Jingle Bell and ribbon

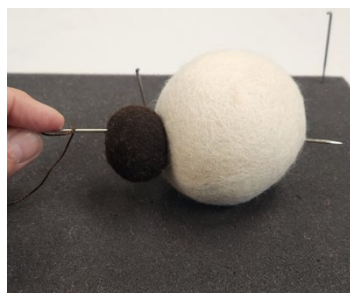
Tools: (Included)

38G Felting Needle
40G Felting Needle
Felting mat
Wooden base
Long Doll Needle

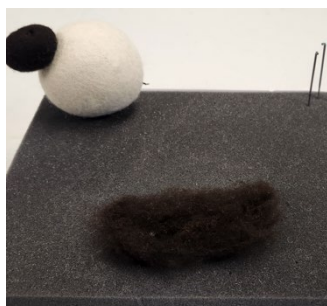


Attach head to body:

1. Thread the Long doll needle with embroidery floss. Tie a knot at the end of the embroidery thread and run the needle through the back half of the head leaving the knot on the top of the head. (knot will be covered by the ears in later sections)



2. Position the head on the front top one-third of the large white body ball then run the needle through to the bottom of the body and pull taut and tie a knot at the bottom of the body. This will attach the body to the head and prepare you for step 3.



3. Pull off two thin strips of brown wool.
4. Center the first strip of wool horizontally across the top half of the head, over the knot and felt onto the "face" leaving the loose ends hanging off the sides of the head.



5. Felt the “tails” of wool down onto the body. Start by felting the tail down onto the body tight next to the head and work out to the end of the tail. Keep felting until it feels firmly attached.



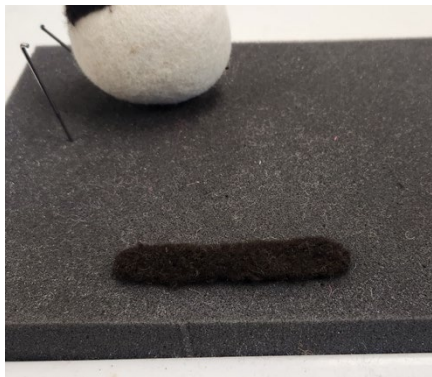
6. Take the second, narrow strip of brown wool and wrap it around the neck area you created in step 5. Start by felting it to the underside of the head, then felt to the body.
7. Using the 40G needle, felt the surface of the head smooth and even out the texture as needed.



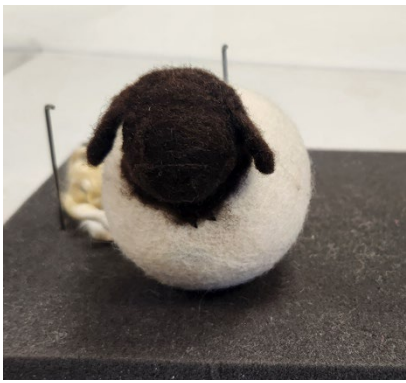
Ears:

- **TIP! Make both ears at the same time, side-by-side so they are the same size and shape.**

1. Pull off one two inch long by 1-inch-wide strip of brown wool and lay it flat on your felting pad.
2. Fold strip in half lengthwise creating a 2 inch by ½ inch wide piece.



3. Using the 38 gauge needle poke the strip gently creating rounded edges at each end.
4. Pull the ears up from the mat and flip over, continue felting and flipping over from one side to the other until the shape is formed, and it is no longer fuzzy.



5. Attach the ears to the head by centering the wool strip on the top/back side of the head with the ears pointing out from the side of the head and angled down slightly. Felt into place using the 38G needle.

(If the “seam” between the attached part of the ears and head shows, continue to felt it until smooth and/or add a tiny layer of brown wool to cover it.)



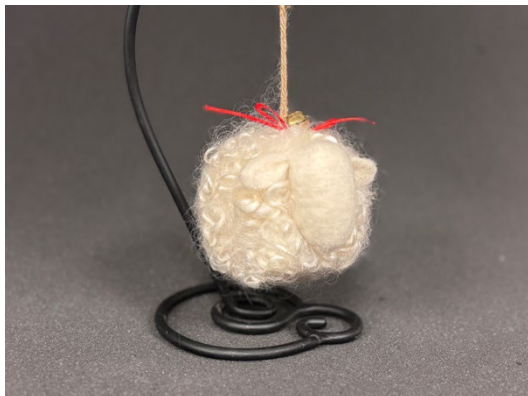
Add the “fleece”:

1. Separate your locks and “fluff” them slightly by opening the curls gently
2. Take a few curls (3-4) and place them in a “clump” onto the body. (I typically start attaching the curls around the head, but you can start anywhere.) Use your 38G needle to felt the curls into place.
3. How much do you stab? Enough that the curls are firmly attached but not so much that you have completely flattened them.
4. Continue adding little clumps of curls until you have completely covered the core body



Options for final steps:

1. Add the included ribbon and bell around the sheep’s neck.
2. Glue your sheep to the included wooden disk using E6000 glue or hot glue. If desired, you could paint the disk before attaching the sheep, or even add festive touches such as pinecones, bells or holly leaves



3. Alternatively, you can use the doll needle and cording of your choice (ribbon, yarn, fishing line) to run a loop of cording from the bottom of the body up through the back and back down and tie a knot to create an ornament for your Christmas Tree.

Where do I purchase More Wool & Supplies?

For most needle felting projects, we recommend our core wool and “MicroBattz” short fiber felting wool.

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