

Josey's Art School Happy Owl Sewing Kit

Hi there friend! We are so pleased that you have chosen to begin your sewing adventures with Josey's Art School. Our aim is to offer colorful and whimsical sewing kits that delight your heart and tap into the beautifully tranquil and meditative process that you can experience while sewing. Whether you are sewing this project yourself or sharing this experience with a child, we thank you for choosing Josey's Art School to facilitate the process.

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OK let's begin!

What you will find in your packet:

Various colored fabrics

Heavy white fabric then you will use as your canvas

Extra piece of fabric that matches the size of the white heavy fabric

Felt for the owl's eyes

2 skeins of embroidery thread

What you will need to begin:

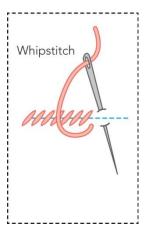
Iron
Scissors
Straight pins
(Optional) 8 inch Embroidery hoop
Sewing Needle
Filling (if you are creating a pillow)

Instructions:

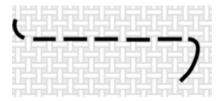
- Step 1: Spread out all the beautiful fabrics in your packet. Some of them may need to be pressed to get rid of the folds and creases. Let's do that now.
- Step 2: You will find a stencil sheet/pattern that includes all the parts of the owl there should be two pattern pages with parts of the owl clearly marked.
- Step 3: Cut out the pieces of the pattern and match them up with the fabric inside your kit make sure that the cut out patterns are the right size for the fabric you have chosen.
- Step 4: Use a pen or chalk to trace the patterns on the corresponding fabric (you may want to turn the fabric on its back side the 'white' non colored side so you do not see the pen lines left from tracing.

 Do the same with the felt for the beaks and the legs.
- Step 5: Place the white canvas fabric in front of you. Like a puzzle, begin to place all the pieces of the owl on the fabric. Secure all the pieces with straight pins once you are satisfied with the placement. Leave a bit of space at the edges of the white canvas fabric for whatever you plan to do with the finished product placing it in a frame for example or creating a pillow.
- Step 6: Choose which color from the skeins of thread you would like to use to begin sewing the owl's body. Cut a strand of about 24 inches. Thread the needle by putting the end of the thread through the "eye" or hole in the needle and pulling about 1-2 inches of the thread through the needle. Tie a knot in the OTHER end of the thread.

Step 8: You will use a whip stitch throughout this project (there is an illustration below but you can also google "whip stitch" to see a video for further explanation). Make sure to begin your stitch on the backside of the white canvas fabric so that your knot and ends on not showing on the front of the finished project. Begin with the owl's body, rethreading as needed.



Running Stitch is another option you can use:



Step 9: Continue moving through the project, changing embroidery thread colors to give your owl an individualized style.

Step 10: Take all straight pins out of the fabric.

The Final Product: We have given you a piece of fabric that is slightly larger than your white canvas fabric for you to create a pillow with your finished product. You can also put this beautiful item in a frame and hang it on your wall or give it as a gift. Josey's Art School truly hopes you have enjoyed creating this kit. Feel free to send us your photos via email: wellofcreations@gmail.com

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