



# *Pail Of Fish*



## **MATERIALS:**

Scraps of All MN fabric or [3] fat quarters  
Wool, felt circles, (1-1/2") or buttons for eyes  
Stuffing or batting scraps  
Basic sewing supplies

*READ THROUGH ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE BEGINNING. SEW PIECES RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER (RST) AND USE A 1/4" SEAM ALLOWANCE THROUGHOUT. FOR THIS PATTERN, WE WILL CUT STRIPS BY THE WOF (WIDTH OF FABRIC)*

## **CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Print or copy pattern template to size and pin pattern pieces on chosen fabrics.

Cut [2] of each piece. One option is to piece (sew) scraps together if necessary to obtain yardage needed.

## **SEWING INSTRUCTIONS:**

### **SIDE FINS:**

1. Sew [2] front fins, right sides together (RST), leaving flat end open to turn.
2. Turn.
3. Baste fins to right side of body fabric where indicated on template.

### **DORSAL FIN:**

1. Make dorsal fin in the same manner as side fins, basting it to top of right side of one fish body where indicated, RST. This may look upside down, but when fish body is turned right side out, it will pop up.

## **HEAD & TAIL:**

1. Using 1/4" seam allowance, attach [1] head piece to [1] fish body piece, RST.
2. Repeat for other side of fish.
3. Attach tail pieces in same manner.

OPTIONAL: If you choose to quilt your fish prior to stuffing, do that now, before attaching both sides together. I recommend a low loft batting and thin backing.

## **BODY:**

1. Lay fish bodies RST and pin.
2. Starting at bottom of fish, sew around entire fish, leaving 2-1/2" opening for turning and stuffing. Turn out.
3. Stuff fish using chopstick where necessary to get stuffing placed.
4. Add eyes.
5. Slip stitch turning seam on bottom.
6. Repeat process until you have a "Pail of Fish" and caught your limit!

