

The pattern given is drawn to scale, each square representing one inch. This proportion makes a Teddy Bear 13 inches tall from the top of ears to bottom of feet, just right for the nursery set. Enlarge him to 2 inches per square and you have a fine bed toy for the teen ager. If you have never used the chart method for enlarging or decreasing the size of a pattern, here are general directions. For the 13 inch Teddy Bear use a piece of paper about 15 by 11 inches and divide it into 1 inch squares, 14 in one direction and 10 in the other. Draw the portion of the pattern which appears in each square of the smaller design in the magazine to the corresponding larger square on your piece of paper. For a Teddy Bear twice as large, do exactly the same thing, using 2-inch squares on a large piece of paper. Using this method, you can draft any pattern to any size. Cut out your enlarged or decreased pattern, lay it on the material properly and you are ready to start.

The model of the bear was made in yellow and white with blue eyes and neck bow, using white for the center section of the head, front of body, paws and front side of ears, with all other parts in yellow. Other color suggestions have been given, or make of desired color combinations. Seam allowance of about three-sixteenths of an inch has been made on all pieces.

First stitch up side seams of arms and legs, then sew the paws (circles) into the ends, easing in fullness as you go. Stuff, building up the paw ends and tapering off the thickness of the stuffing at open end so the limb can be flattened at that end and whipped to body at the seams. Take in the darts at the back and stitch back and front together, right sides together, leaving the neck open, turn. With seams in the middle of the front, turn leg ends in about one-half inch and sew securely to the bottom seam on body.

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Place point marked X on leg to point marked X on center of body. Stitch arms to indicated lines on body with short or seamed side to the middle of the front. This makes the arms bend just a little bit forward. Stuff the body firmly, shaping the body round by holding it in your hand with the fingers and thumb on the side seams. Stitch the chin seam first in making the head. Then sew in center section, beginning at nose (x). Sew ears together, turn in raw bottom edge, gather up a little and sew to head on dotted lines. The eyes are made of three pieces of felt, the inner pupil black, whipped to center piece of white, and that whipped to the outer circle of sky blue. Then sew the eyes to head with straight black stitches—looks like eyelashes. Appliqué or embroider the nose, and embroider a smiling mouth.

Stuff the head, filling out the nose and cheeks and shaping the entire head wide like a baby's. When you are satisfied with its appearance turn in the neck about three-sixteenths of an inch and sew head firmly to the body. Use a long needle and run your needle and thread right through the stuffing and tack several places on the neck, then go around the whole neck with secure small stitches. Use heavy thread or embroidery floss. Now Teddy is ready for his necktie—a strip of felt 20 inches long and one inch wide ties attractively. Fold the tie in half around the neck, then loop once in front with upper tie about 2 inches longer than the other one. Spread ties open and finish bow, pulling firmly.



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