



Slippers

Pattern can be found on page 148.

YOU WILL NEED:

Wool felt
Fabric for the pleated trim
Ribbon
Embellishments, if desired

INSTRUCTIONS:

Each slipper is made with a lining attached. You will therefore need a piece of felt big enough to take eight pattern pieces to make two slippers. Note that the pattern is in two parts, so you need to match points A and B.

For each slipper, fold half of the felt, right sides together. First draw one slipper from the pattern with the foot facing down. Then reverse the pattern and place it top edge to top edge with the first shape. Draw around it so that the slipper and lining are one piece.

Draw along the dotted lines on the piece that is supposed to be the lining. Mark an opening for turning. Sew around the shape, leaving the areas around the heel and toes open. The slippers will

have more flexibility if you use stretch or tiny zigzag stitches.

Cut out the slipper and press the openings at the heel and toes together so the raw edges match and then sew the seams (see Figure B). Turn out the slipper, close the reverse opening and push the lining thoroughly into the slipper. Iron the slipper.

Cut a strip of trim fabric 100cm x 8cm (40in x 3¹/₄in). Turn under and press 6mm (1/4in) on each of the shortest ends and press the strip in half lengthways. Zigzag stitch the raw edges together. Sew a gathering thread about 6mm (1/4in) down from the zigzag edge. Then gather the trim until it measures the same as the top of the slipper. Sew the pleated trim onto the slipper with zigzag stitch, so about 3cm (1¹/₄in) is showing above the edge (see Figure C).

Use a small pair of sharp scissors to make holes around the top of the slipper for the ribbon. Make seven holes on each side of the slipper, about 4cm (1⁵/₈in) down from the top of the felt. Thread the ribbon through the holes. For embellishment ideas, see page 16.





