

## ITH FUNNY BUNNY BAG/STUFFIE



Fleece, fur or mink for the front of the bag.

Cotton or fleece for the back.

Lining

Batting or fleece(optional)

Nylon zipper

Ribbon or belt (optional)

Tearaway or cutaway stabilizer

### **Prepare the pieces for the back-**

5x7- lower piece 7x5.5 inches, fold in half to get 3.5x5.5 inches

Upper piece 8.5x4.5 inches, fold in half to get 4.25x 4.5 inches

Zipper length at least 7 inches

8x8- lower piece 8x6 inches, fold in half to get 4x6 inches

Upper piece 10x5 inches, fold in half to get 5x5 inches

Zipper length at least 8 inches

8x11-lower piece 11x9 inches, fold in half to get 5.5x9 inches

Upper piece 13x6 inches, fold in half to get 6.5x6 inches

Zipper length at least 10 inches.

### **1<sup>st</sup> hooping(Back)-**

1. Hoop stabilizer and sew the 1<sup>st</sup> color, the outline and the placement line for zipper. (choose a thread matching the color to your fabric or a contrasting color you wish to use for the decorative/quilting stitches)



2. Place the zipper exactly between the placement lines and tape it place.
3. Sew the tack down stitches for the zipper. (2<sup>nd</sup> color)



4. Next the 2 pieces of the back will sew, 1<sup>st</sup> upper and then lower piece. Lay the prepared pieces right next to the zipper (the folded edge) and either hold it in place or you can tape them. Sewing each piece as you go. (color 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>)

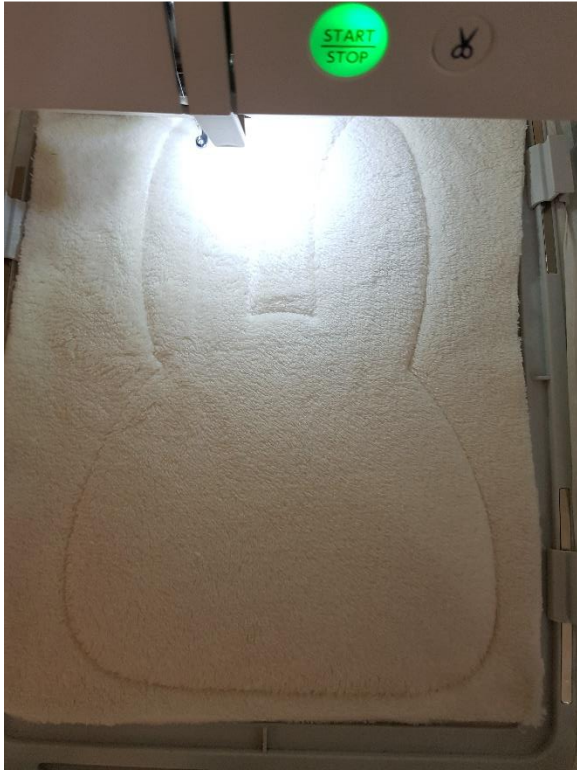


5. Next will be the decorative or quilting stitches.
6. The back is completed, remove tapes and cut stray threads and open the zipper a little more than half way.
7. Unhoop and keep aside.



**2<sup>nd</sup> hooping(Front)-**

1. Hoop stabilizer and sew the 1st color, the outline or placement line.
2. Lay a layer of fur or mink and stitch the 2<sup>nd</sup> color.



3. Change threads as desired and complete the stitching of ears, eyes, mouth, whiskers (optional, just skip to next color if don't want the bunny to have any) followed by the nose. (color stop 4,5,6,7 & 8)





4. If you want to add a belt or ribbon lay it in place and tape it.
5. Lay the prepared back over this, right side facing down (zipper side down), aligning properly the whole outline.



6. Pin it in place (make sure no pins in the sewing path, that is the outline)
7. Slow down machine, Sew the outline to tack down the back.
8. Lay the lining over the hoop, right side facing down.





9. Tape it in place and sew the final partial outline.

NOTE: If you are not making a zippered bag and wish to make a stuffie instead, just lay a layer of the back fabric before the last partial outline. Skip the second last outline.

10. Unhoop, trim or tear away excess stabilizer. Trim the whole bag leaving a  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch seam. Leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch seam at the opening.



BACK



FRONT

11. Turn the bag inside out, carefully pushing out the ears using a blunt tip scissor. Hand sew and close the opening.



12. Remove the stabilizer and expose the zipper, unzip completely and turn the bag once again.
13. For the stuffie, just turn inside out once, fill and sew the opening.