

# Make your own LUGGAGE TAGS



## EQUIPMENT

- Hot glue gun and glue sticks  
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- Scissors  
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- Printed template (find after these instructions)
- Ruler
- Felt tip pen
- Optional: Sewing machine AND an iron  
(this is for the tag's strap)

## MATERIALS

- Felt sheets (in corresponding colours, see below)
- For the strap you can use a coloured shoelace OR a piece of fabric 5 x 25 cm  
(this will require the sewing machine and the iron, instructions below)
- A4 sheet of acetate
- Optional: embroidery thread

## THE FELT COLOURS YOU WILL NEED FOR EACH CHARACTER ARE...

### BLUEY

- Light blue
- Dark blue

### BINGO

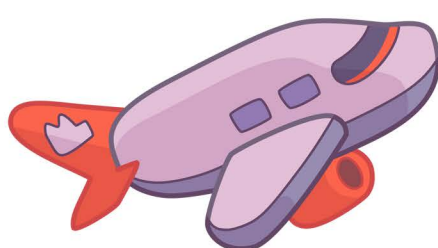
- Light orange
- Dark orange

### BANDIT

- Black
- Light blue

### CHILLI

- Light orange
- Brown
- Cream





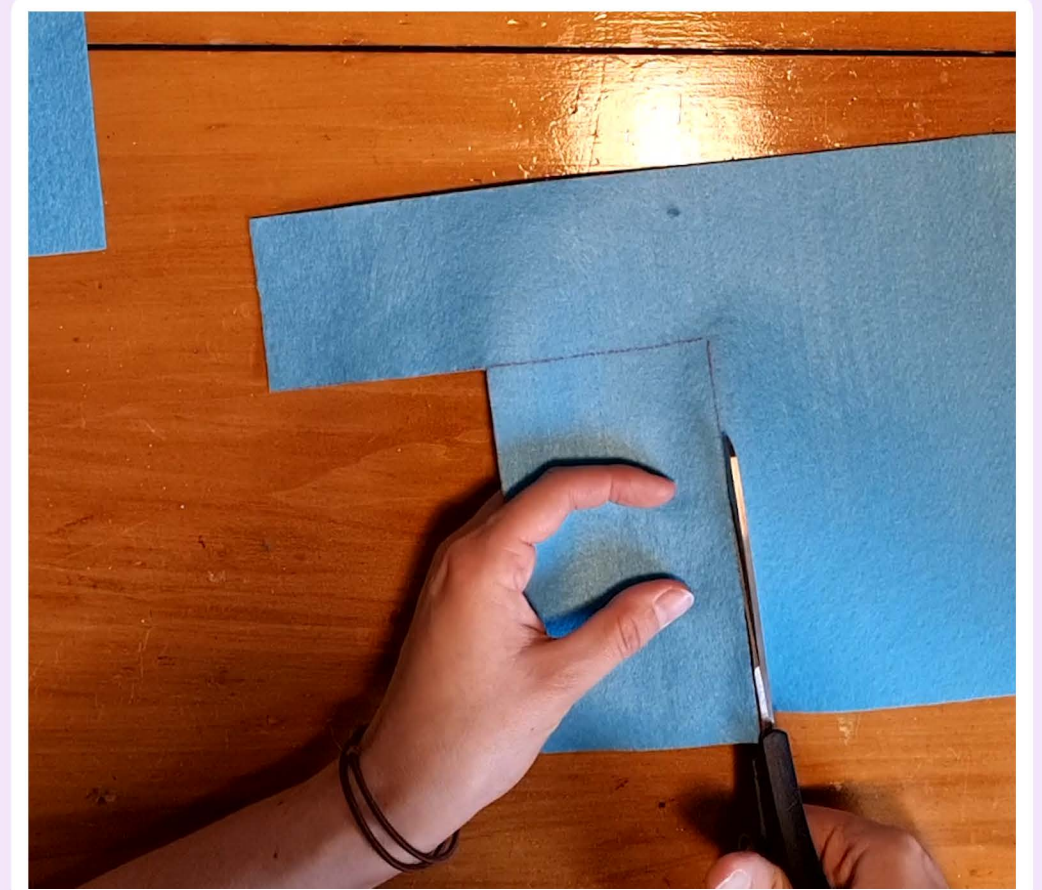
## METHOD

### STEP 1:

Start by choosing the character or characters you want to create.  
Print out the chosen design, then cut the pieces out to create your template.

### STEP 2:

Now trace those template pieces with the felt tip pen on to the felt. Be sure to match the right template piece with the correct felt colours and sheet for the acetate. Once you have drawn around the template pieces cut everything out you have just drawn around.



### STEP 3:

Use a ruler and a felt tip pen to mark the cutting lines. Measure 1.5 cm inward from the edge at two points on each side. Connect these points with straight lines to form a rectangle. Starting from the middle, carefully cut along the marked lines to create a felt frame.



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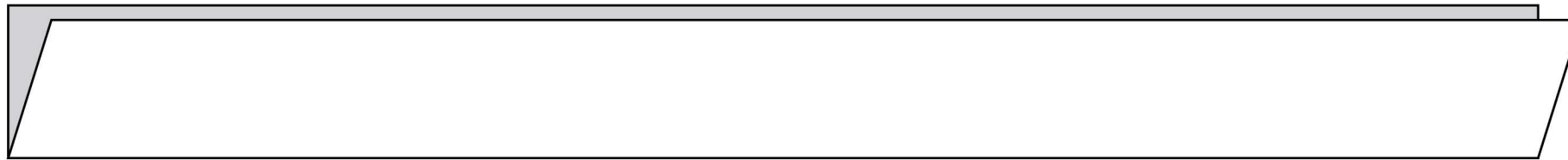
Optional: If you have chosen to create your luggage tag strap with fabric rather than a shoelace, follow these steps. First, fold the piece of fabric in half lengthways and iron along that fold. Next, open it again, fold outside edges towards center fold then press with the iron. Now, fold entire strip in half once again, meeting folded edges together and press. Using the sewing machine, stitch all folds in place, by stitching along the edges.



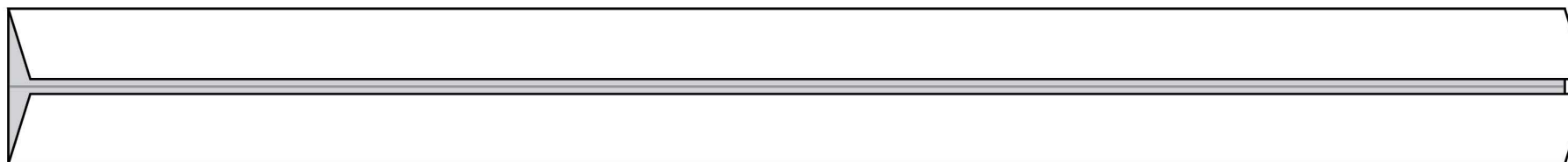
Fabric (5 x 25 cm)



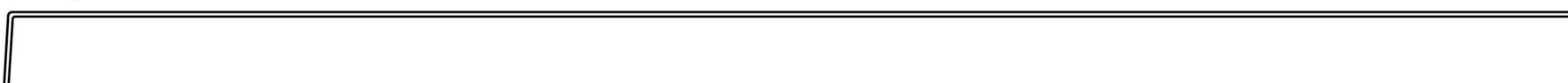
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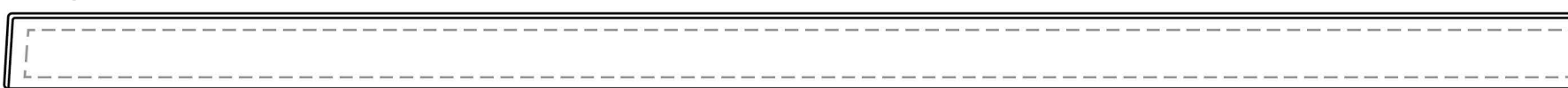
Step B



Step C

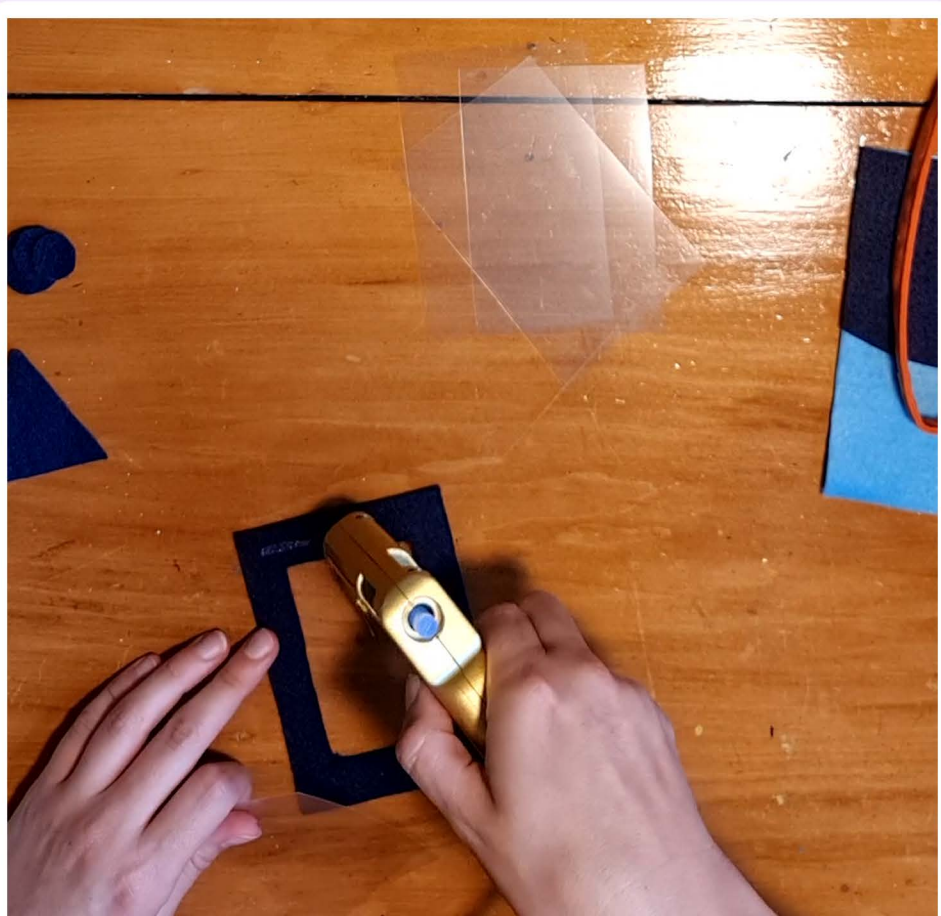


Step D



## STEP 5:

Optional: If you are working on a character such as Bandit or Chilli, you can add extra details with embroidery. Bandit and Chilli have extra hair detailing on their large splodges. So you can find embroidery thread in the right colour and stitch lots of little lines to create detail for these characters!



## STEP 6:

Now that you have all your pieces, it's time to start gluing! Take the acetate sheet, squirt hot glue around the edge, then fuse it to the frame felt piece to create a window.

## STEP 7:

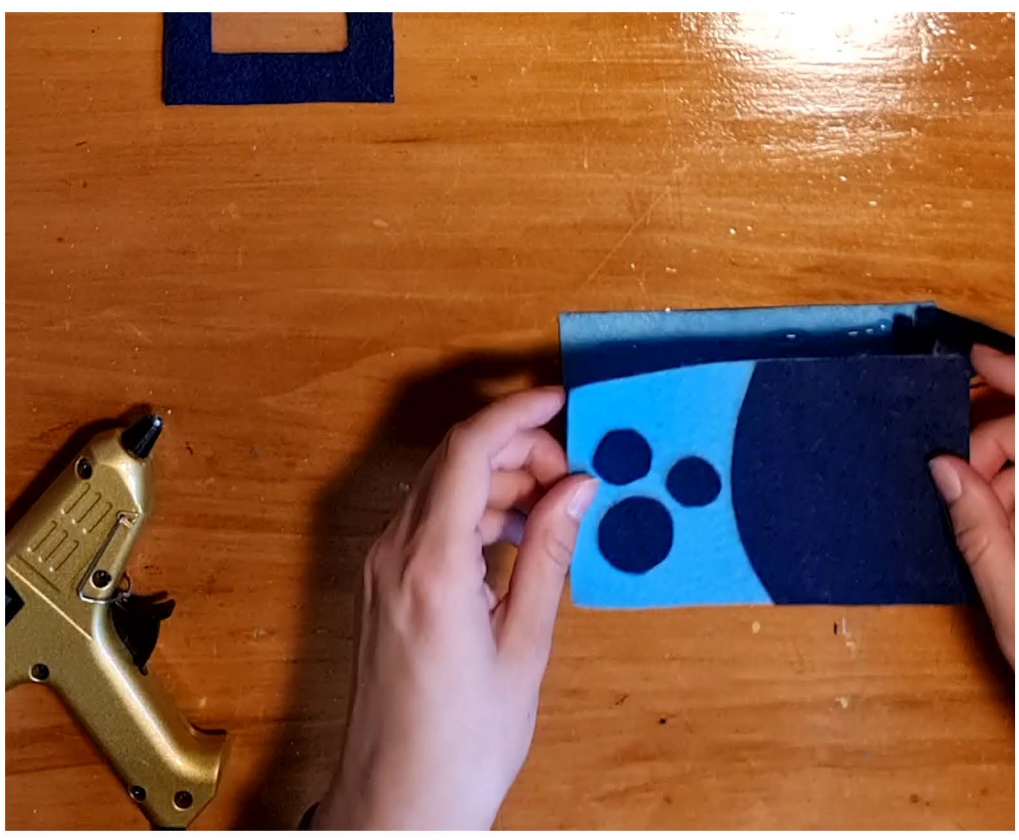
Take one of your larger rectangles and glue on the strap at the top edge. Then glue in your triangle ear pieces either side of the strap.





## STEP 8:

For the outer piece that shows the characters back, glue on all the defining decorative character splodges that you cut from the template, on to your remaining large rectangle.

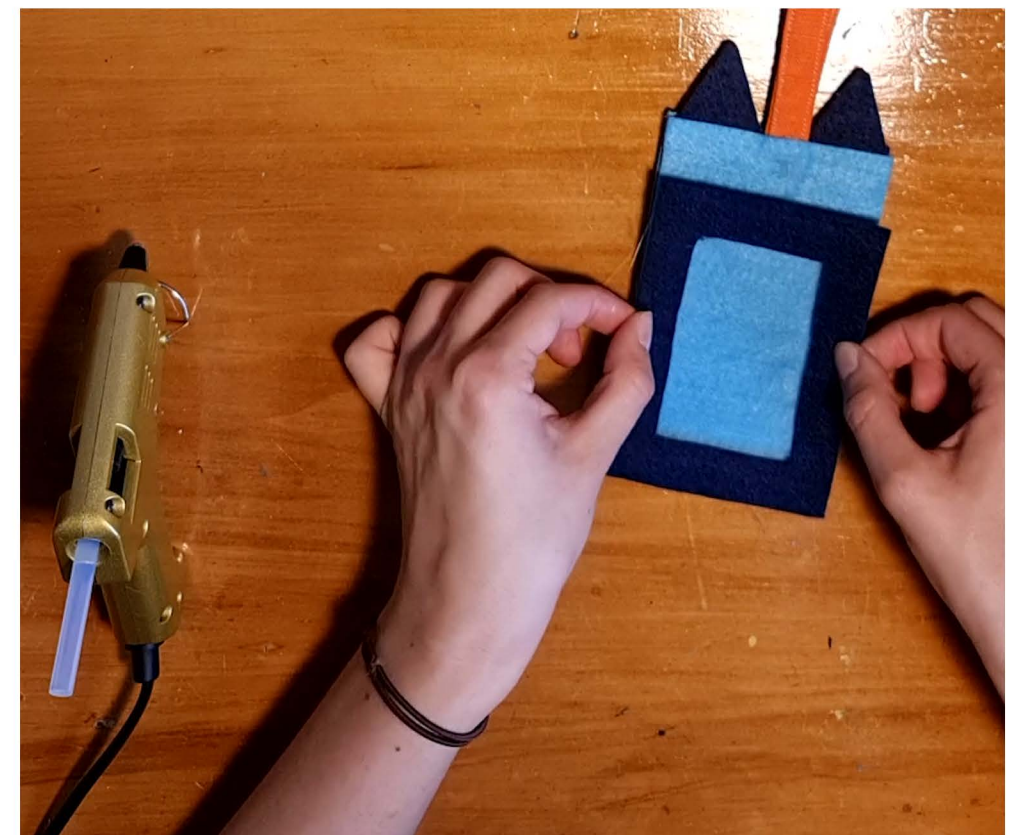


## STEP 9:

Glue those large rectangles together, ensuring that the area where the ears and strap are well enclosed in a felt sandwich. You should have splodges showing on one side, a completely blank side on the reverse, and the ears and strap are sticking out the top sandwiched in the middle.

## STEP 10:

Now it's time to glue on the window. **IMPORTANT!** Only put glue on three sides as you want one side to remain open for the luggage slip you want to put in when you go on holiday. Put a strip of glue on the two long sides and one short side, then press on to the blank side of the luggage tag.



## STEP 11:

Touch up as required with hot glue and let it all dry. Then get ready for an amazing vacation! Don't forget to write your details on a slip and then slide it in to the window area.

