

This sweet
Gingerbread House
won't get stale anytime soon.



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WHAT YOU DO

- 1 Use the templates to cut two house shapes from light brown felt, one roof shape from white felt, and one door shape from white felt.
- 2 Position the white roof piece on the front house shape, and stitch it in place along the scalloped bottom edge only. Use white thread and one small vertical stitch between each scallop.
- 3 Cut an assortment of tiny felt circles from the felt scraps, and sew them onto the roof at random. Use one small stitch of matching thread to attach each circle, sewing through both the white and the light brown felt.
- 4 Position the door on the bottom left of the house, and pin it in place.
- 5 Sew around the edge of the door using red thread and backstitch to form a continuous decorative line of stitches. Then sew a small cross shape in the center of the door, and make small angled stitches to form a circular window shape.
- 6 Using a double thickness of white thread, neatly backstitch a window frame shape next to the door. Begin by stitching a cross shape to get the window the size you want, and then stitch around the edges to complete the frame.
- 7 Fold the length of ribbon in half. Turn the house front over, and position the looped ribbon so it emerges from the top of the roof. Sew the cut ends onto the light brown felt. If the ribbon has a pattern, take care that it will show at the front of the ornament.
- 8 Place the two house shapes together with wrong sides facing. Using white thread, start at one bottom corner and stitch up the side, around the roof, and down the other side of the house, leaving a hole for stuffing.
- 9 Fill the house loosely with stuffing or small scraps of felt or fabric. Sew across the bottom of the ornament to finish.



WHAT YOU NEED

Basic sewing kit (page 9)

Templates (page 121)

Light brown felt

White felt

Red, orange, yellow, and green felt scraps

White, red, and various thread to match scraps

Narrow red ribbon, 6 inches (15.2 cm)

Stuffing or felt scraps

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