Christmas Decorations – Angel

You will need:

Green felt 10cm x 20cm (or 2 x 10cm x 10cm) Thick wadding 10cm x 10cm White felt 2 pieces 6cm x 7cm each Scraps of flesh felt for face & hands Scrap of yellow felt for hair Approx 20 sequins and 20 seed beads Gold cord 20cm Sewing threads to match Needle, pins, scissors

Cut:

Two circles in green felt One circle in wadding (trim it 2mm smaller than the felt) One angel in white felt One angel wings in white felt (use separate pattern piece, dotted line indicates where it sits under angel) One head in flesh felt (include under hair) Two hands in flesh felt (follow dotted lines under sleeve) One hair in yellow felt

To make:

Place the wings, body and hands on a green circle as shown in the diagram. Stitch around the outside of the wings, body and hands, and sew backstitch to make the sleeves. Place the face and hair and stitch around the bottom of the face, then around the hair attaching the top of the face at the same time.



Attach beads and sequins to the wings by bringing the thread up through the wing in the desired location, threading a sequin and bead onto the needle. Go back through the sequin (but not the bead) and through the felt. Secure your thread, then bring it up again to place the next sequin. Continue in this way for all sequins and secure your thread after the last one.

Decide where you want the hanging cord to be and mark the spot with a pin or your preferred marking method. Sandwich the wadding between the two felt circles. Starting 5mm beside the point you have marked; whip stitch around the outside of the circle working away from your mark. Stop when you have worked around the circle and are 1cm away from your starting point (but do not cut your thread).

Fold the cord in half and tie an overhand knot to hold the ends together. You should end up with a loop with a knot at one end. Push the knot of the cord into the hole left open on the circle, lining it up with the marking. Continue to whip stitch across the opening, ensuring that some of your stitches go through the cord (not just around them).