

Fabric Flowers

Materials Needed:

Scraps of fabric (assorted colors)
Medium to large size buttons
Thick thread
Needle
Scissors
Marker

Directions:

Step One:

Using the marker, draw an almond shape outline onto your fabric scrap.
Repeat this shape at least five times onto different scraps of fabrics.

Step Two:

Cut out all of the shapes you have created.

Step Three:

Arrange the almond shapes on top of each other in a way that makes them look like a fabric flower.

Step Four:

Thread your needle.

Carefully holding the flower petals together in the way you have arranged them, stick the needle directly through the bottom of the petals- upwards.

Once the thread has come through the top of your stack of petals, tug lightly on the thread to secure the petals into place.

Step Four:

Thread the needle (close to the original hole) back down through the petals until it comes through the bottom.

Then you will need to repeat this two more times.

Step Five:

Make sure that your thread is now coming up through the top of the petals.

Choose a button you would like to decorate your flower.

Thread the needles through one of the buttonholes.
Then thread your needle through the other buttonhole.

Step Six:

Thread the needles back down through the petals so that the thread comes through the bottom.

Thread up and down through the petals one more time.

Once you have done this, make sure the thread is now coming down through the petals.

To finish, tug slightly to make sure that the petals and the button is tightly secured.

Tie a double knot to complete your flower.

Cut off excess thread.

Extra:

You can then attach your flower in different ways to other objects.

Ideas:

Attach to a hair band.

Place a safety pin on the back so that you can put it on clothing, purses, etc.

Attach it to a small fabric elastic to make a ring.

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