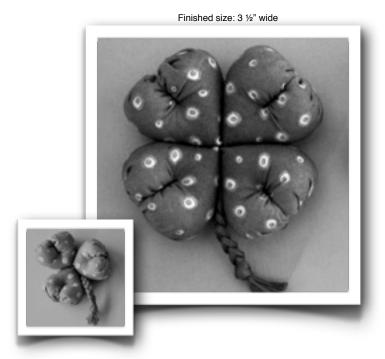
Make your own luck! Sew a

O' Todera Lucky Shamrock Brooches



Wear your Lucky Shamrock Brooch on your shirt, handbag, jean jacket, tie, lab coat, -you name it.

Quilting cotton: (1) Fat quarter
Shown here: Photochrome Petals #Y1099-21 by La Todera for Clothworks
Sewing thread: in shades matching fabric
Polyester stuffing
DMC embroidery floss: (1) Skein dark green and embroidery needle with large eye
Felt: Green, 2" by 3" section
Bar pin: (1) 1 1/4"
Clear template plastic
Disappearing fabric marker
Hot glue: Gun and sticks

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Trace all templates onto clear plastic. Use Template $\bf A$ to cut four circles from fabric. Use Templates $\bf C$ and $\bf D$ to cut one circle each from felt. Finish felt edges with pinking shears.

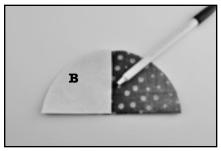
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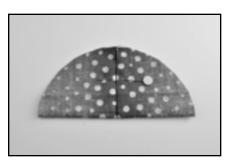
1. Press all circles in half, right sides together.

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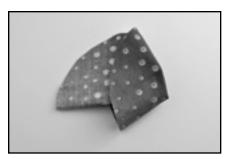
2. Using Template B, mark midline of semicircle with disappearing marker.

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3. Pin. Machine sew with a small stitch directly on top of drawn line, backstitching at beginning and end of line.

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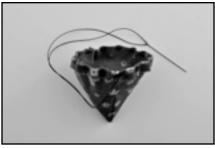
4. Flip one side right side out over the other half as shown.

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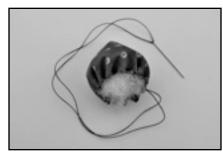
5. You'll end up with a double layered cone, with right sides of fabric visible on outside and interior of cone.

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6. Thread hand sewing needle with 24" of matching polyester (strong) thread. Knot ends together. Fold both raw edges down ¼." Backstitch and stitch completely around border of cone using a ¼" stitch (no smaller,) ½" from folded edge. Leave thread on needle.

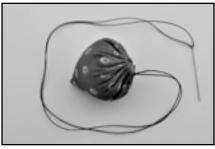
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7. Turn cone right side out. Stuff firmly with polyfil.

Tip: Using small bits of polyfil will prevent lumps.

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8. Draw up thread to close opening of cone. Backstitch, and knot. Leave thread on needle.

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9. Insert needle through top of stuffed cone, exiting through seam about halfway down cone.

Wrap thread around top of cone and insert needle about halfway down cone and exiting where you began in previous step. Pull tight to create lobes of heart. Insert needle and wrap twice more to accent the indent. Backstitch, knot, and trim threads.







10. Cut 9 strands of embroidery floss 12" long. Fold bundle in half to find center. With short strand of leftover floss, tie strands together at center mark.

Divide strands into 3 sections of (6) strands each. Braid 2".

Tie ends in an overhand knot. Trim ends to 1/4."

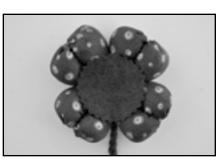


Three Leaf Clover Variation

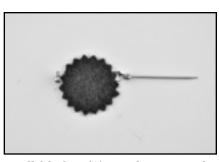
Simply omit one leaf in steps 1-9. Omit large (Template C) felt disc in step 13.



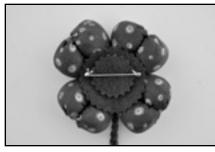
11. Thread sewing needle with 20" of (machine sewing) thread. Knot ends together. Face all petals right side up. Insert needle through sides of 2 petals ,about ½" from points. Insert needle through small knot of braided floss. Run needle through remaining 2 petals Tie ends of thread together in an overhand knot. Trim threads.



12. Apply hot glue to large (**C**) felt disc. Center petal assembly onto felt. Flip assembly felt side down and press petals in place til glue sets.



13. Glue small felt disc (\mathbf{D}) onto bar pin as shown



14. Apply glue to back side of pin/felt assembly. Center on larger felt disc previously glued to petals.

Done!

