



Bit of Whimsy Dolls

BELLATRIX BAT



Background on Bellatrix Bat

Bellatrix Bat started out as a drawing my daughter made for her jack-o-lantern cut out design. I thought it would make a cute softie and I love how sweet and simple it is.

Bellatrix Bat is very easy to make and can be sewn very quickly, making it a perfect last minute gift for the little ghouls in your life.

I am offering this pattern for **FREE** so that sewers who are new to my patterns or even new to sewing can see how easy my ePatterns are to use. No need to guess at the directions, I provide step-by-step photos to help along the way.

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READ THE DIRECTIONS FOR THE ENTIRE PATTERN BEFORE STARTING THIS PROJECT!

Supplies Needed:

- Piece of fabric 22" x 8"
- Embroidery floss for facial features
- Polyfil and chopstick or wooden dowel for stuffing
- Scissors, doll needle, pencil

- Print pattern and cut pieces out.
- Pin pattern pieces to fabric and cut on the solid line. I have already included the seam allowance so you don't need to worry about that.
- Bellatrix only has one pattern piece and you need to cut two of them.
- This would be a great project to use scraps and would look cute if the front and back are made from two different fabrics.

- Pin the two pieces together with right sides together
- Stitch around the edge using a small 1/8" seam allowance
- Do not sew the opening closed, it is marked on the pattern piece



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- Clip the seams in the areas indicated by the small arrows in the picture
- Be careful not to cut through the seam! You just want to snip the corners



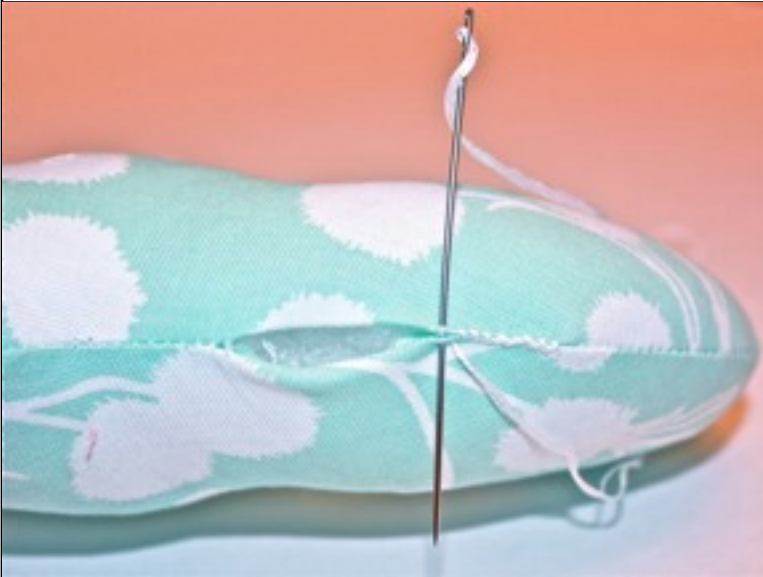
- Turn right side out and stuff



- Lightly draw on her face with your pencil, using the pattern piece as a guide for placement



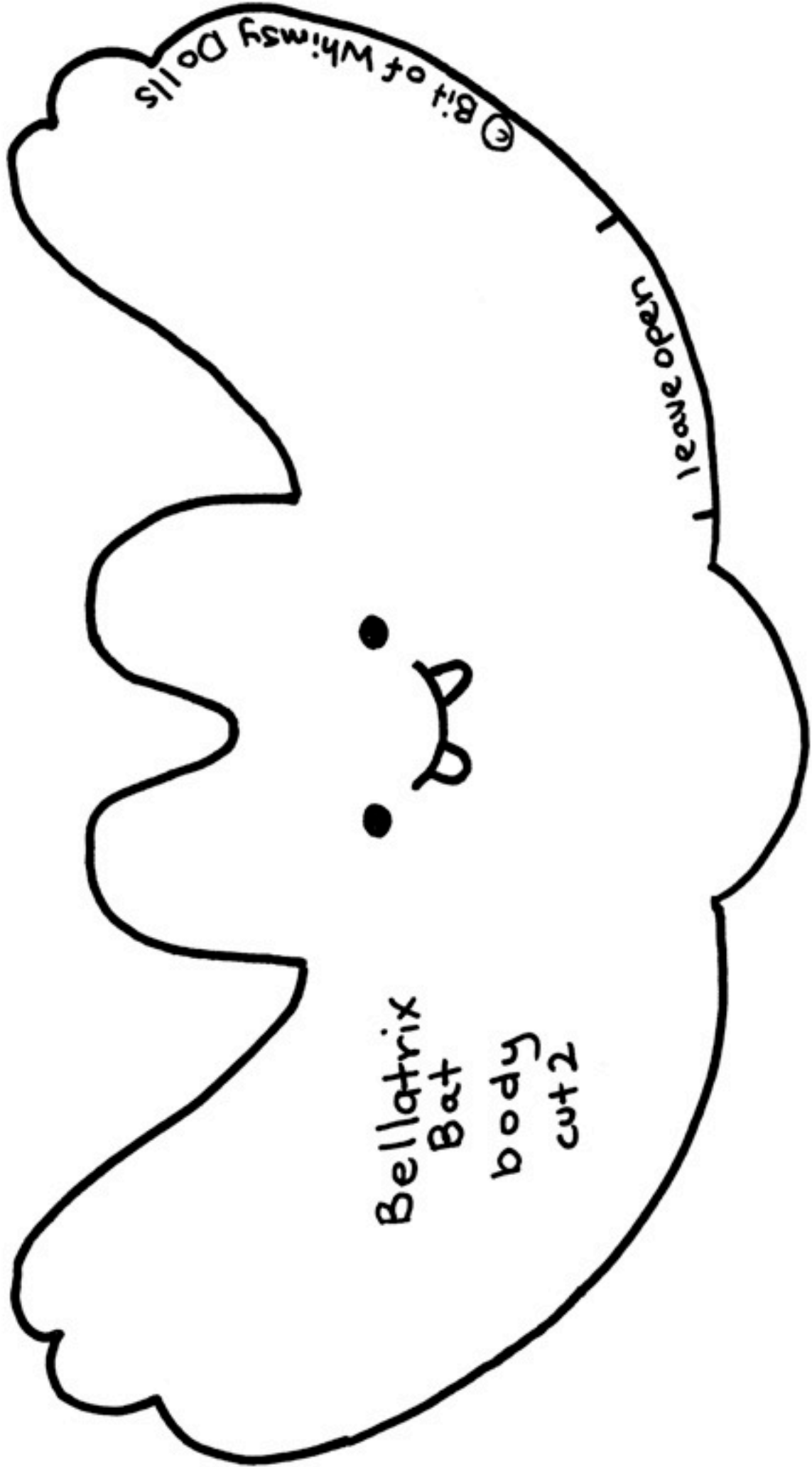
- For embroidering the facial features, thread your doll needle with three strands of embroidery floss. Tie a knot and pull the needle through from the back of the head to the point where you want to start stitching. Pull the knot through the fabric at the back of the head. Pull gently and the knot will pop through.
- When you are done stitching her facial features, push your needle through to the back of her body . Tie your knot and then push the needle back through the same hole to the front of her body. Gently pull the knot so it pops through the fabric. Cut your thread close to the body.
- Please see my Lilly Lamb video to see how I do this: http://youtube.com/watch?v=_W9BCCZxMzU



- Close the opening with embroidery floss using a whipstitch



- CONGRATULATIONS, BELLATRIX IS DONE!
- Bellatrix would make a great eye mask or heated pillow if filled with corn or rice and lavender buds.
- She would also make a great soft rattle if a rattle or jingle bell is inserted when you stuff her. You can often find these in craft and fabric stores.



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leave open

Bellatrix
Bat
body
cut 2

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About Sarah

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Sewing has always been a major part of my life ever since my Mom taught me how to sew at age 5. As a young girl, I always loved playing with dolls and stuffed animals (what girl doesn't?), but only recently have I started to venture more into the designing of patterns for my creations.

Today, I'm a stay at home Mother to three wonderful children - Robbie, Abby, and Billy. Being able to sew has brought me so much joy over the years and the ability to make my own children some of the most wonderful toys, blankets, and clothes. It's my hope that the art and joy of sewing handcrafted custom made goods continues to be passed from parent to child, especially given today's culture of designer clothes and expensive toys.

