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HermitCrab Materials List

1. Wool felt - in a colour for your crab body.

I used some orange/ rust shades that I dyed with turmeric and brown orange skins - you can find this video in day 4 of *The Magical Wool Felt Workshop*. In the video tutorial you'll also see me working with a beautiful "custom" colour from Indigo Inspirations - if you'd like some too - just let Jo know that you'd like some of the 'dark dingo' she dyed for Natalie :)

2. 100% wool stuffing - to stuff your crab.

3. Shells with a whorl - you'll need some pointy, spiral shaped shells such as a whelk or periwinkle shell.

4. Embroidery cotton/floss - in a colour to match your coloured felt.

5. All-sew cotton or waxed quilting thread - to secure the beads. Alternatively, you cold use 2 stands of embroidery thread.

6. Seed beads - you'll need 2 per crab, these will become the eyes - I've used gold but you can also use black.

7. Pipe cleaners - (also called chenille sticks), you'll need 2 x 15cm OR 1 x 25cm pipe cleaners per crab.

8. Sewing needles - Quilt basting needles are my favourites, (these are very long thin sharp needles)

9. Scissors, pins, chopstick for stuffing.

10. Glue - I used a hot glue gun, but most types of craft glue will work.



About ...

These sweet little hermit crabs are a quick little project to add to the *Under the Water* series of seasonal makes. Another simple but satisfying make which will become a beautiful play prop, perfect to use in storytelling or on the seasonal table.

Meet our Guest Contributor...

Yuki Tomishima

"I was born in Japan and grew up in several small towns where I was surrounded by nature and fell in love with the patterns and colours. I didn't have any education in art however I was inspired by the beauty of the world and the changing colours by season, the babbling of the stream and the scent of the soil after rain. My grandmother was a Kimono maker and my mother was a potter who showed me gratitude and joy for creation which inspires my work. Through my five children's Waldorf education, I discovered the joy of creating for someone."

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NOTE: This is not suitable as a toy for children under 5 years

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