



Technique:	Sewing/Fabric Crafting
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Skill Level:	Intermediate
Crafting time:	Weekend

Kid's love to play dress-up and take on new personae. Adding just a single tail to tights and turtlenecks can create a creative bit of fantasy. Choose some fun textured fabrics and stitch up these alter-ego designs. Also on Make It Coats are Dress-up Tails for a Shark and a Mermaid.

Finished Size of Project: 22" - 28" long (fits sizes 4-6)

Supplies:

Dinosaur tail and hood:

7/8 yd 60"-wide green Minky dot fabric

1/8 yd orange craft felt

6" of 3/4"-wide hook-and-loop fastener

Polyester fiberfill

Coats® Dual Duty XP All-Purpose® thread to match fabric

Cutting

From the green Minky, cut:

- 2 tails
- 4 hoods
- 1 rectangle, 5" x 24"

From the Orange felt, cut:

- 7 squares, 3" each; cut each in half once diagonally

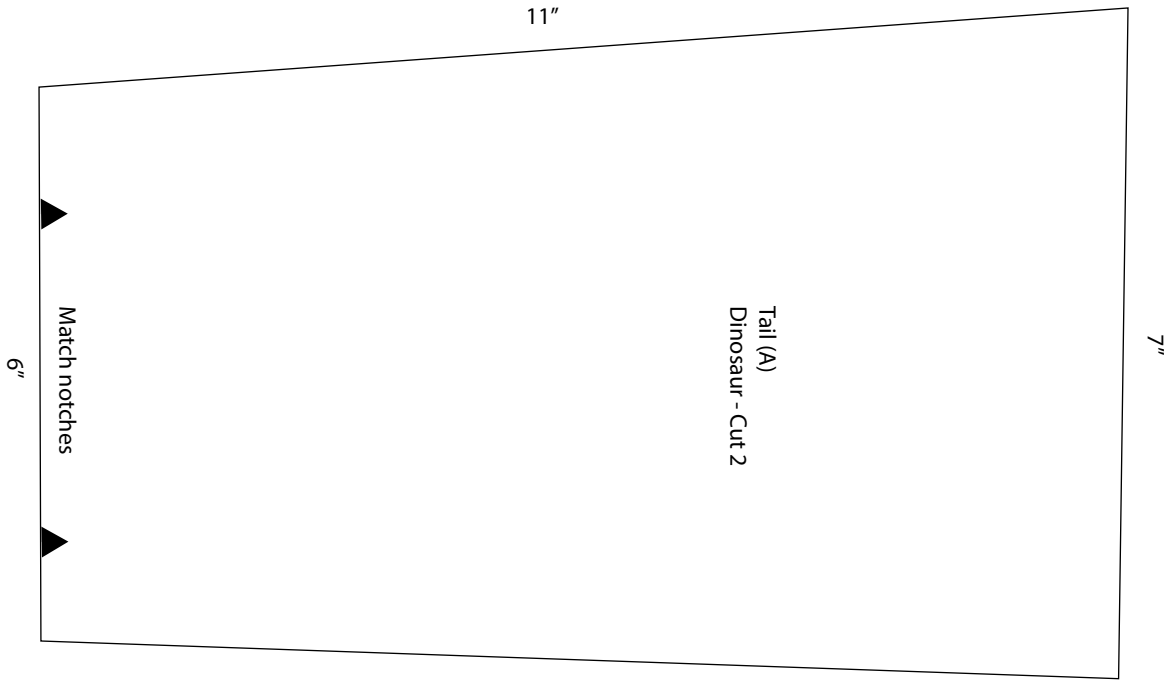
Making the Dinosaur Hood

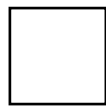
1. Position the orange felt spikes along one side of the hood center seam, overlapping them at the ½" seamline. Baste in place. Leave at least ½" at each end for seaming.
2. With right sides together, sew the center hood seam. Trim the seam to ¼". Repeat for the lining.
3. With right sides together, match the hood and lining edges and stitch together around the face opening, neck tabs and neck opening edges. Leave a 3" opening along the lower edge for turning.
4. Trim the seam allowances and turn the hood right side out. Hand stitch the opening closed. Topstitch all edges.
5. Position a 2¾" strip of hook-and-loop fastener on opposite sides of the neckband and stitch in place.

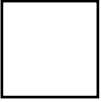
Making the Dinosaur Tail

1. Position the spikes along one long edge, overlapping them at the ¼" seamline. On the two spikes at the narrow tail end, slide them in slightly so they will be shorter than the others. Baste in place.
2. With right sides together, stitch both long tail edges, and round the stitching across the narrow end.
3. Turn the tail right side out and stuff lightly. Be careful not to overstuff, as the tail will be too heavy for a child to drag around.
4. Match the upper and lower back seams together and baste the opening edges together.
5. Find the center point of the 5" x 24" rectangle and match it to the center back dinosaur tail seam. Stitch across the body width ¼" from the edge.
6. Fold the waistband right sides together and stitch the ends and extensions, up to the previous seam. Turn the band right side out.
7. Hand stitch the waistband opening over the body/waistband seam.
8. Stitch a 2¾" strip of hook-and-loop fastener on opposite edges of the waistband.

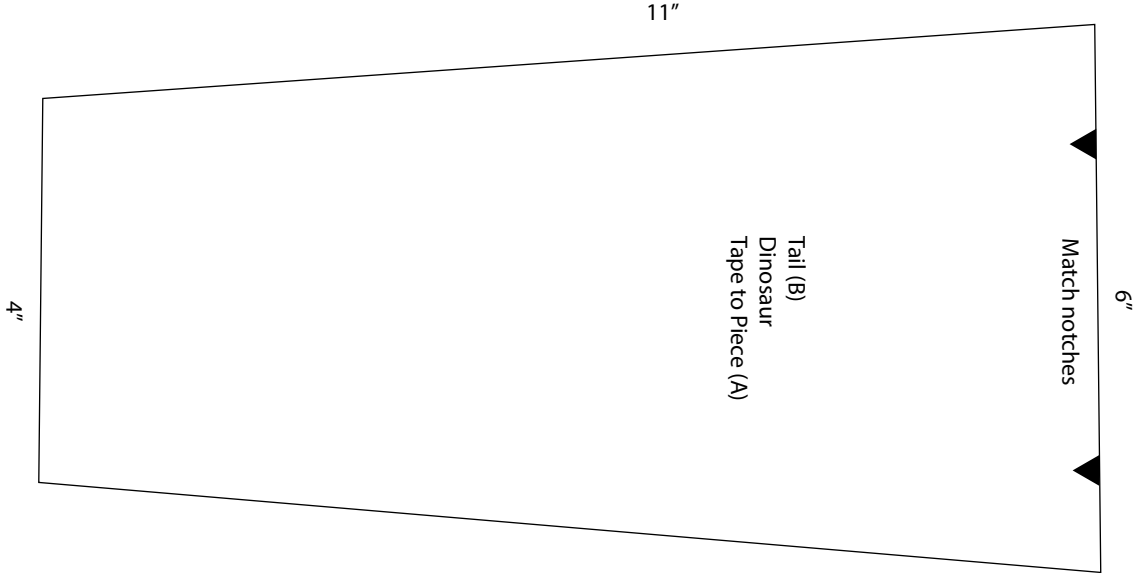


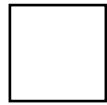


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