

# daisyeyes handmade

a hand embroidery pattern



Dear Stitcher,

I am so excited that you have picked up this pattern to stitch! There is nothing I love more than to hold a needle and thread in my hands and I hope that this pattern brings you a sense of that joy yourself. This pattern is designed for all levels of embroiderers and is perfect for beginners! I suggest reading through all the directions before getting started - don't forget to follow the links to video instructions too! In the pages that follow you will find: a complete stitch guide with color suggestions, all the templates you need to make your doll, a complete tool list and complete instructions. So grab a cup of tea, find a cozy spot and get stitching!

With gratitude and blessings,  
aimee

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Please share your work on Instagram with the hashtag #daisyeyeshandmade and #SewBetterWithSulky so we can see your work! And if you have any questions, get stuck or just want to chat, please email me at [daisyeyes06@gmail.com](mailto:daisyeyes06@gmail.com)

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## Supply List

9x12 sheet wool or wool blend felt in **turquoise** for the tail

9x12 sheet wool or wool blend felt **peach** for the body

9x12 sheet wool or wool blend felt **sand** for the shell

Sulky Stick 'n Stitch™ + printer

Thread Heaven (suggested for using with sewing Sulky Stick 'n Stitch)

Embroidery needle

Small embroidery scissors

Sulky totally Stable™

Wonderclips (suggested, but pins work well too)

Hemostat or chopsticks for stuffing

Polyfil stuffing

Sulky 12 Wt. Cotton Petites thread in these colors: 1045, 1005, 521, 1070, 1077, 1206, 1256, 1176, 1177, 502, 562, 4055

## Directions

PRESHRINK YOUR WOOL/BLEND FELT.

Lay the felt sheets for your doll and her shell in a bath of cold water. Drench thoroughly, but do not wring out. Press your wet sheets in dry towels and pat dry. Let dry fully before using.

PREPARING YOUR PATTERN PIECES:

Using the Sulky totally Stable™, trace the outline of each pattern piece with a pencil from the template. Cut the patterns out of the paper and press them onto the corresponding felt with a warm iron and cut out of the felt. Set aside the arms and shell pieces.

With your printer, print the embroidery pattern onto the Sulky Stick 'n Stitch. Cut out the pattern pieces and set aside.

SEWING YOUR DOLL

First you will sew the front torso and front fin piece together at the waist with a BUTTONHOLE STITCH using #1045. Lay your two pieces together at the waist line. Clip together with a Wonderclip. Begin your buttonhole stitch with a knotless start, by taking a long strand of thread, folding it in half and threading the two ends into the eye of your needle. This leaves a loop at the end of your thread. When you start your stitching, bring your thread up through the felt almost to the loop, then bring your needle through the loop as you pull it tight; wrapping the thread around the edge of the felt. Continue with your buttonhole stitch. Open your pieces back up and finger press the seam open. Repeat for the back of your doll.

Now you have a front and back of your doll.

Take the Sulky Stick 'n Stitch pieces and peel off the paper back and place onto the corresponding felt pattern piece. This will be your stitching pattern for the hand embroidery.

FOLLOW THE EMBROIDERY STITCH GUIDE PAGE FOR COLORS AND STITCH TYPE.

After embroidering your doll, cut away as much of the Sulky Stick 'n Stitch as you can and then rinse away in cold water according to the package directions. Do not wring her out, but pat dry with towels. Let your doll dry fully. If she is still stiff in places, rinse and dry her again.

Match the front piece and back piece of your doll with wrong sides together. Lay the arms on the torso where indicated in the pattern and clip all the layers together.

Starting at the waist line, use #562 and stitch a BUTTONHOLE STITCH (with a knotless start) around the torso, around the head to the other side of the waist. Make sure to catch the edges of your arms when you are stitching.

Repeat for the bottom half of your doll using #1045 and a BUTTONHOLE STITCH. Starting at the waist line, stitch all the way around, sew both fins and then stop where indicated on the pattern in order to leave a hole for stuffing. Stuff your doll (Chopstiks or a hemostat can be helpful in stuffing the fins area of your doll.) and finish by sewing up the hole.

#### SEWING THE SHELL

Take your Sulky Stick 'n Stitch embroidery pattern piece and place onto the shell front.

Stitch the shell lines according to the pattern with a BACKSTITCH using #521.

Make a small mark on the felt where the stop and start stitching lines are. Then cut away as much of the Sulky Stick 'n Stitch as you can and rinse away in cold water according to the package directions. Do not wring the shell out, but pat dry with towels. Let the shell dry fully. If it is still stiff in places, rinse and dry it again.

Clip together the front and back pieces with wrong sides together. Starting and stopping where you marked, sew together with #1070 and a BUTTONHOLE STITCH.

Place your doll in her little shell bed and enjoy!

#### Stitchy Links

Click on these links for how to instructions and videos.

[knotless start](#)  
[buttonhole stitch](#)

[back stitch](#)  
[satin stitch](#)

[chain stitch](#)  
[lazy daisy](#)

[french knot](#)  
[woven wheel](#)

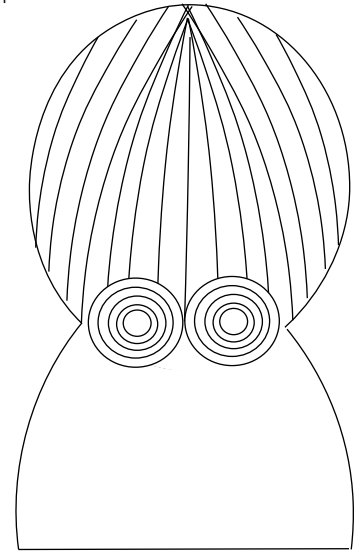
# Stitch Guide

Use this page as you follow the Sulky Solvy printed pattern on your doll. Click on the video links on the previous page for help with the stitches. Suggested Sulky 12 Wt. Cotton Petite thread colors are listed below.

## For her Hair:

The black lines of her hair are stitched with a CHAINSTITCH using #521. In between each row of chainstitch, stitch a line of BACKSTITCHing.

The buns on the back of her head are a WOVEN WHEEL STITCH using #521. You can vary the thickness of her buns by combining 2 lengths of thread. Use the largest circle as your guide for the length of the "spokes" for your wheel.



## For her Face:

Her eyes are BACKSTITCHed with #1005

Her mouth is BACKSTITCHed with #1256

## For Her Bouquet:

For the top portion of the oval flowers, sew a SATIN STITCH with #4055

For the bottom portion of the oval flowers, sew a SATIN STITCH using with #1206.

Sew a LAZY DAISY stitch with #1256 for the daisies. Stitch a FRENCH KNOT in the center of each daisy with #1256.

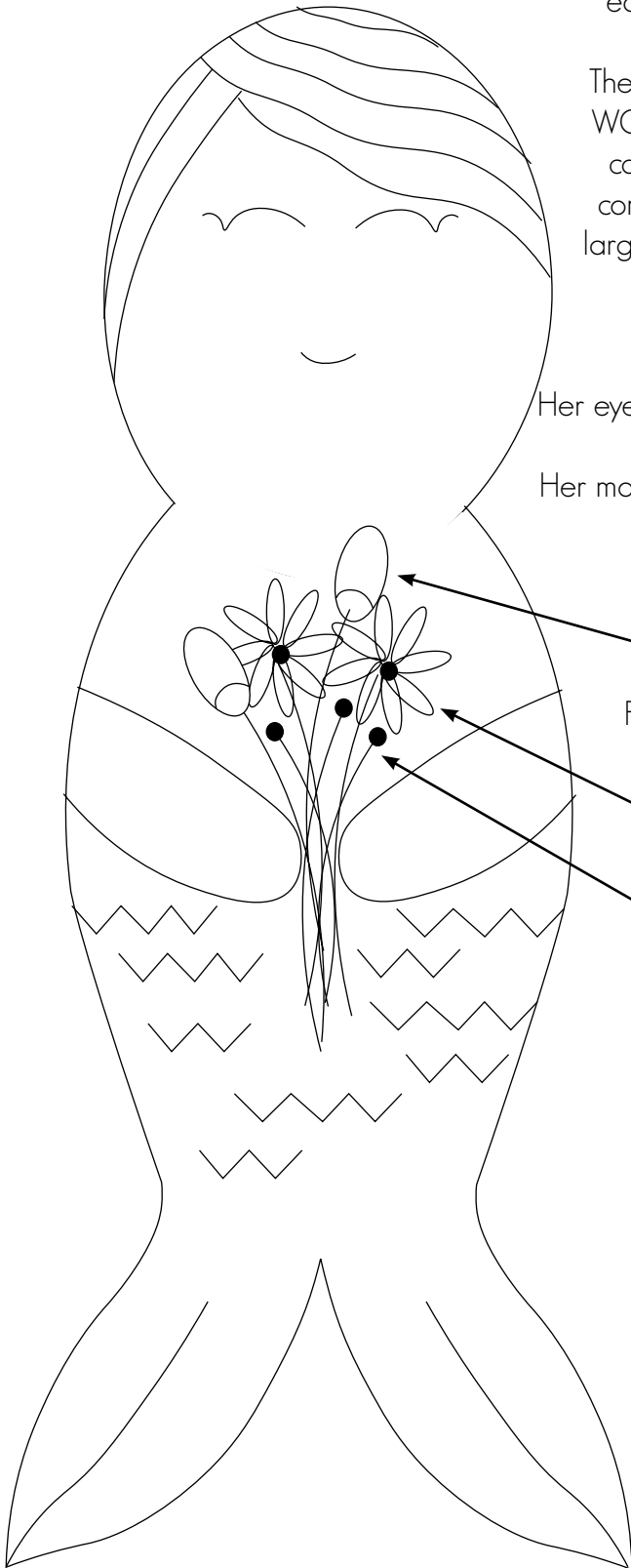
Stitch FRENCH KNOTS with #502 for the little buds

For the stems, stitch a BACKSTITCH with #1177.

## For Her Fin:

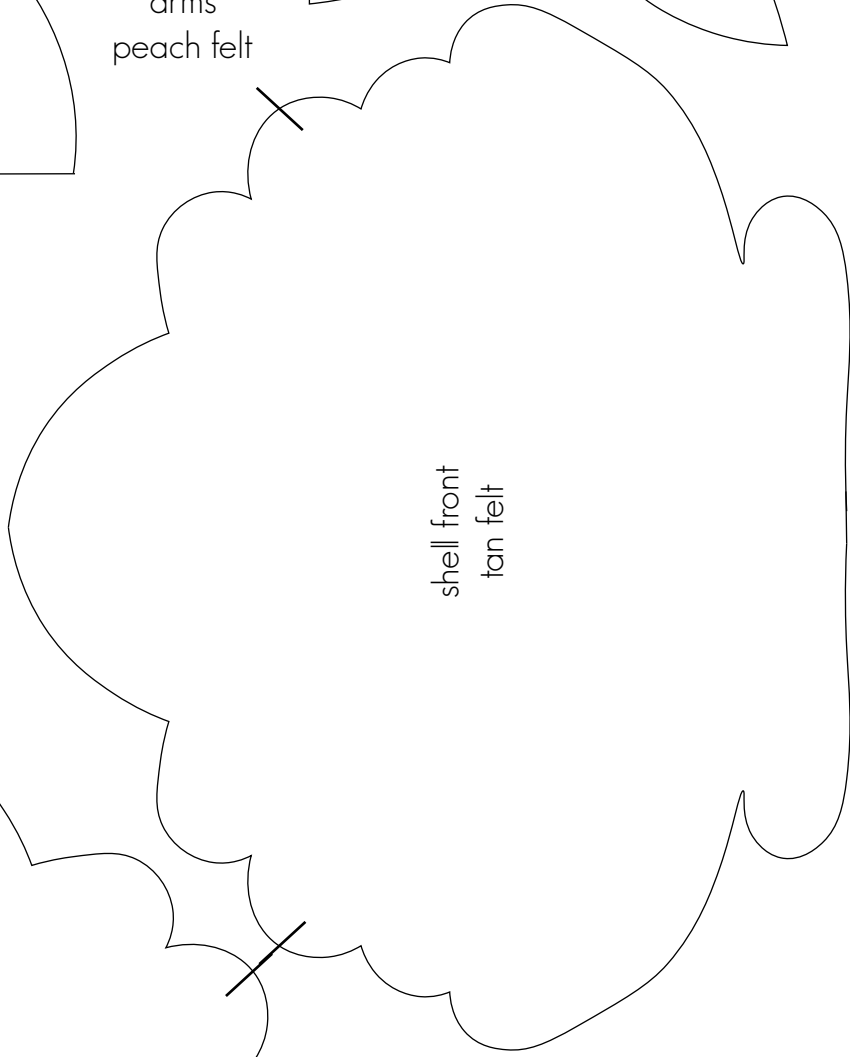
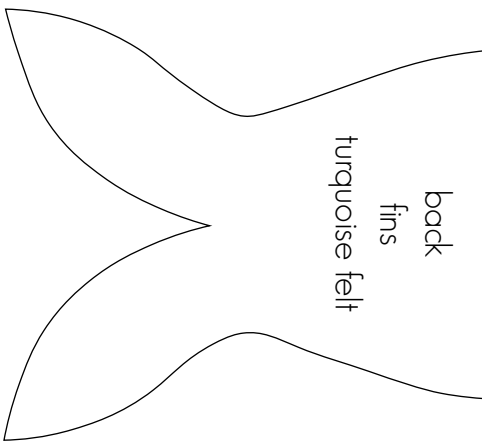
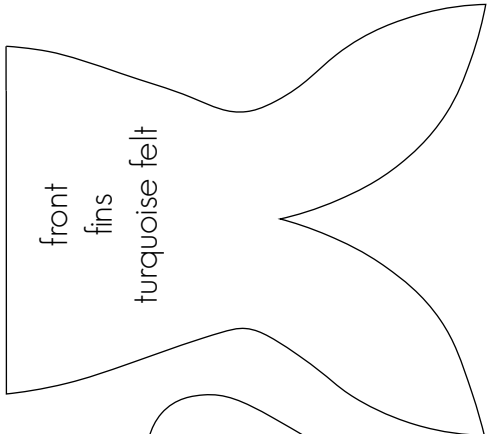
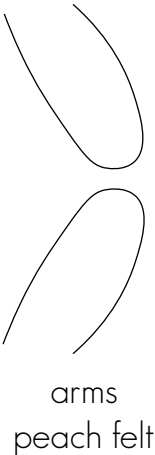
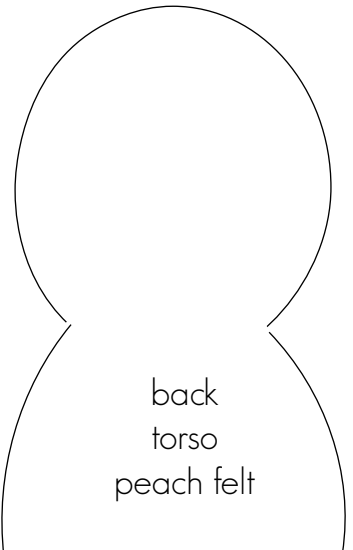
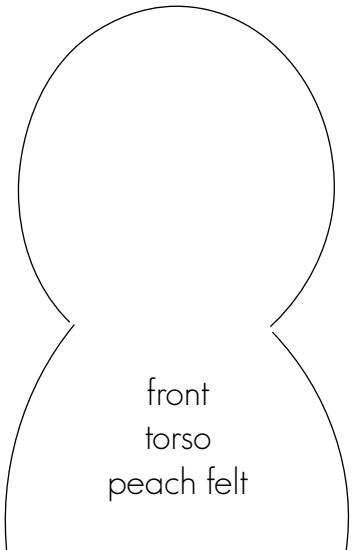
The zig zags and lines of her fins are a combination of #1077 and of #1045.

For the lines on her fins, stitch a BACKSTITCH.



# Mermaid Doll & Shell Templates

Trace one of each template onto Sulky totally Stable™ - no need for duplicates.



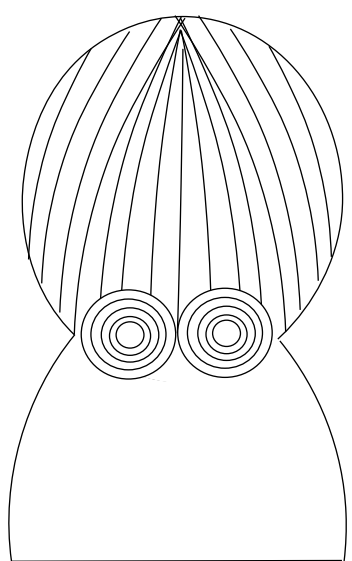
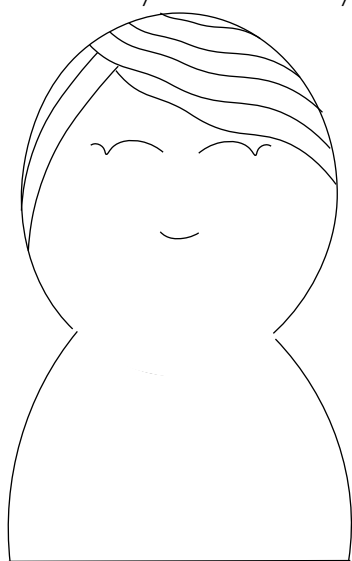
Stopping and starting markings should be marked on the felt only.  
Do not cut.

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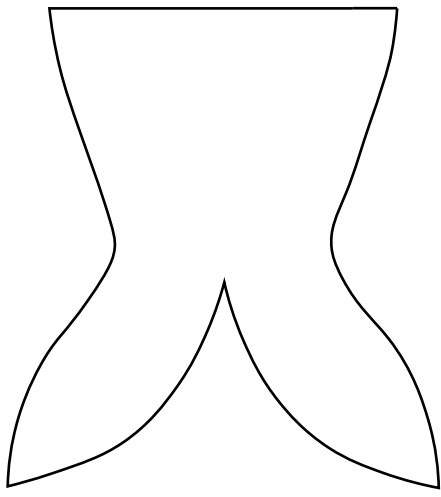
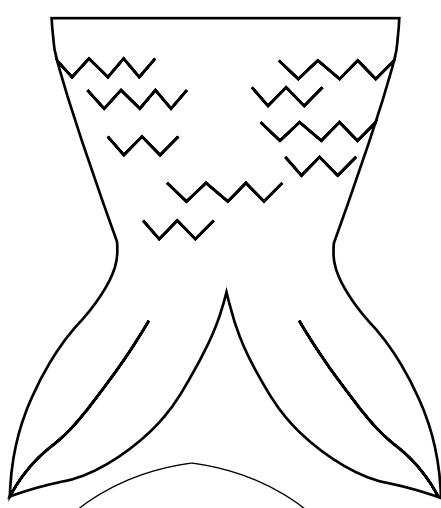
Print this page onto Sulky Stick 'n Stitch for use as your embroidery pattern.



doll front



doll back



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