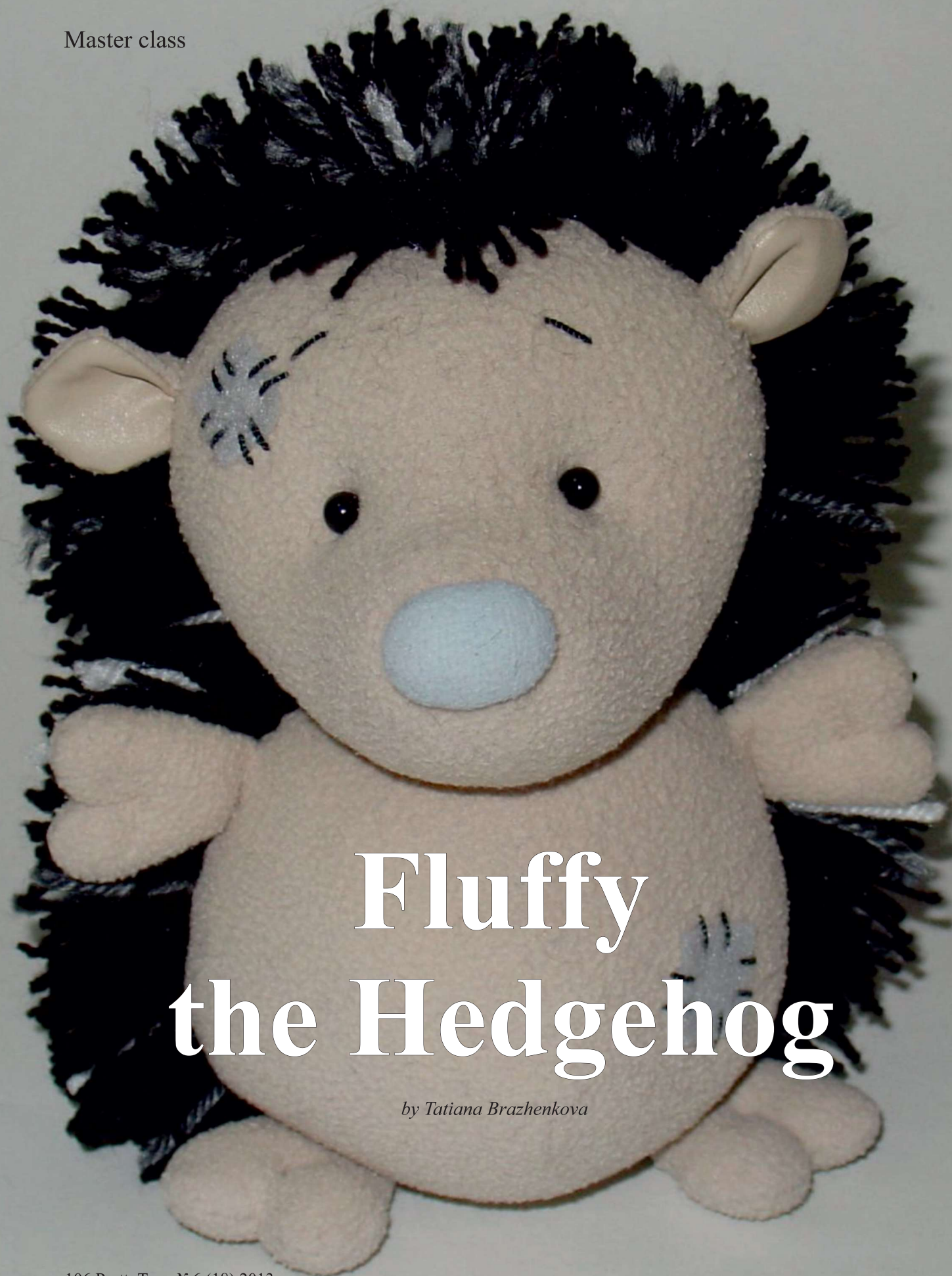


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# Fluffy the Hedgehog

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1. Materials you'll need:

- Fleece in beige and blue colours;
- Yarn in black, white and grey colours, or fur for the spines (black or grey);
- Ecoleather (Faux leather) for the inside of ears;
- Grey felt;
- Polyfill;
- Black beads;
- Strong thick black thread;
- Glue «Moment Chrystal» (Quick and strong transparent glue);

2. Cut out all the pattern details with the seam allowance of 3 to 5 mm.

- Out of the beige fleece: front of the head – 2 pcs., tummy – 2 pcs., hands – 4 pcs., legs – 4 pcs., outside of ears – 2 pcs. back – 2 pcs. and the back of the head

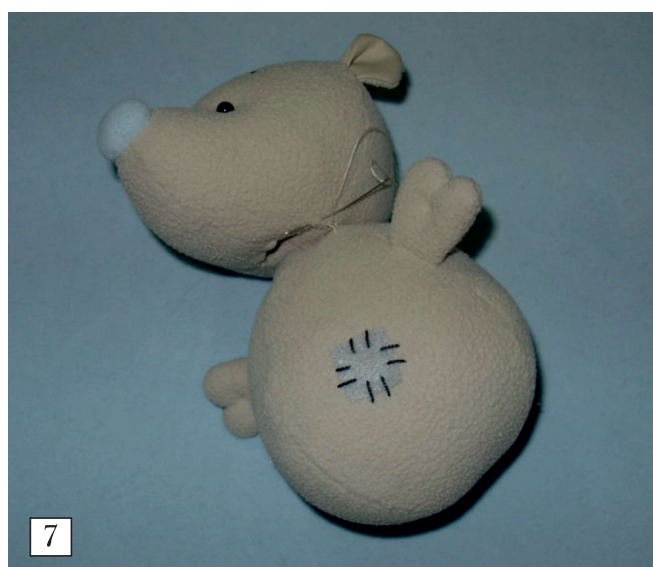
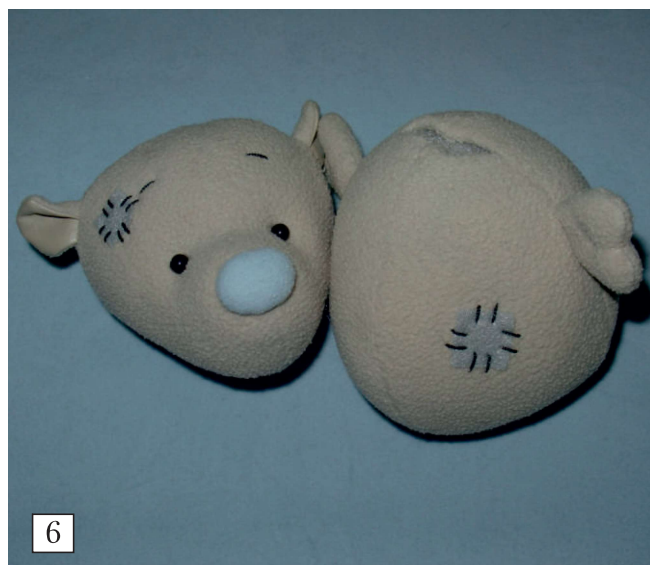
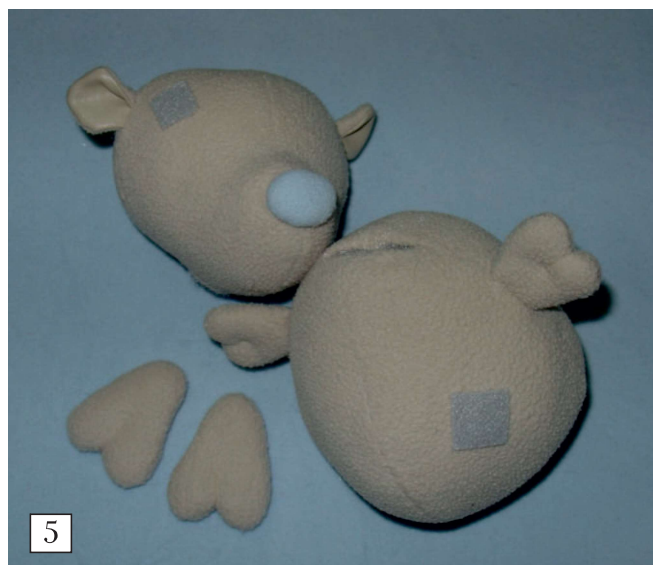
– 2 pcs., if you are going to use yarn for the spines. Otherwise cut out details of the back, the back of the head and the fridge out of fur, if the fur will imitate the spines;

- Out of the ecoleather: the inside of ears – 2 pcs.;
- Out of the blue fleece or velour: nose – 1 det.;
- Cut out the patches out of the gray felt without the seam allowance – 2 pcs.

I made the spines out of yarn, so I used the nonwoven interlining (interfacing) to make the details of the back and the back of the head tougher, then they will not stretch as well.

3. Sew up the front and back details of the head and the body together. If you are making the spines out of fur, first you should sew up the fridge to the front of the head. Sew up the ears, hands and legs. Tack the

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ears to the head, having folded the inside edge of the ear previously. Fill the hands slightly and tack them to the body. Put the nose detail around together on a piece of thread, put a little Polyfill inside, pull the thread and fix it in place.

4. Connect the front and the back of the head together leaving a small hole bellow unsewn, sew up the body, leaving a small hole on top. Turn out to the right side.

5. Stuff all the details with polyfill, use the blindhem to sew up the holes on the legs. Sew up the nose to the muzzle. Glue the patches to the face and to the tummy. Emphasize the toes and the fingers by tightening the string.

6. Do the decorative seams on the patches with the thick black thread and embroider the eyebrows. Sew

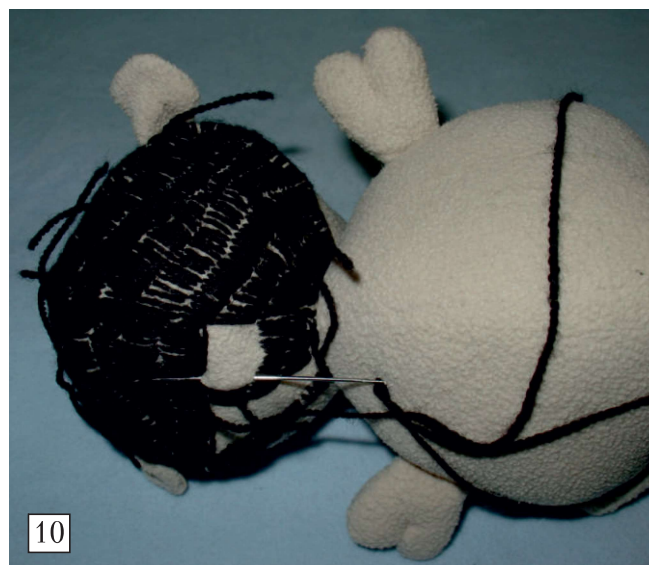
up the eyebeads.

7. Now use the split-pins to connect the head and the body or simply use the blindhem to sew them together.

8. Sew up the legs to the body. And, if you have spines made of fur your hedgehog is ready :)

9. There are many ways to make spines out of yarn. I have decided to take the longest and most difficult way and to make them as I was taught by a very nice doll artist, as they do the Waldorf dolls' hair. I got segments of yarn in three colors by winding it round a ruler 3.5 cm wide (for a hedgehog 18 cm high, but then I cut the hair) and then cutting on one side. When fixed in the middle they will make double hairs (spines) almost 3.5 cm long (minus a couple of millimeters for the knots).

10. But first of all you should cover the head and a



little triangle on the forehead (for the fringe, wide at the back and narrowing towards the nose) with the forward stitches using black thread. I don't deal with hair so often that is why it doesn't look very accurate, though it didn't influence the result :). The lonely segments of thread which you can see on the head are the beginnings and ends of the thread I used for the stitches. There are little knots outside which keep them in the right place.

11. Then using a special tool - a dekker or a hook for carpet machines (ex. from a knitting machine, though I bought mine in a specialised shop without a machine) - you should fix one or two thread segments in each stitch, varying the colors, but black should dominate. Grey and white are used to make the look of the spines more natural. It is a very long story for the

diligent and patient, but then you can cut the hair and the hair-do looks very real.

12. After that you pull the hook with the yarn back, and the movable lock on the hook will not let it cling to the stitches.


13. Then you should lead the hook through the formed loop towards the two ends of yarn above the stitch, hook them and pull them back through the same loop. And fix.

14. Thus we get such a double hair-spine. And like this we proceed till the whole head is covered with stitches and hair, don't forget to vary the color of the yarn segments.

15. Now use the scissors to make the hair-do nice and even. And as far as the back is concerned, I decided not to make it the same way - it will take just too long:



16. I decided to make the back spiny in a more common and simple way. Using strands of the same segments of yarn. First of all I marked the lines on which they will be fixed with pencil.  
17. Then I spread the yarn on the paper varying the colors again. The length of each piece of paper is equal to the length of a certain pencil line on the back.  
18. Then I sewd these workpieces in the middle with three lines, back and forth. After that you should accurately remove the paper from the yarn.  
19. After that glue each strand to the line along the middle (seam). And then fix it with thread to make it really well fixed. It's more convenient to do it step by step, i.e. glue one thread, sew it, then take the next one. Otherwise, if you have the whole back glued up, it will be very difficult to find the middles of each strand to

fix those with thread.  
20. To end it all up we take the scissors again and make the spines on the back even.  
Now you also have a beloved pet, he is not scratchy at all, he is avery fluffy hedgehog. 

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