# Silly Cuddle® Monster Pillow

Approximate Finished Size: 12" diameter

Bring your own sense of fun to Halloween with this monster pillow—which is definitely more silly than scary!

## Fabric Requirements (as shown)

- ½ yard Cuddle® Dimple Orange, for Pillow
- 10" x 10" Cuddle® 3 White, for Eyes & Teeth
- 6" x 12" Cuddle 3 Scarlet, for Tongue
- 10" x 18" Cuddle 3 Navy, for Horns, Pupils, & Mouth Binding

# **Suggested Notions**

- Batting, 2 (15" x 15") squares
- Polyester filling for stuffing, or a 14" circular pillow form
- 90/14 stretch machine needle
- Polyester thread
- Felt tip marker or ballpoint pen
- Silverpoint pen
- Rotary cutter and mat
- Micro-serrated scissors and/or craft knife
- Long, flower head pins
- Fabric clips
- Basting spray
- Walking foot

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For more information on sewing with Cuddle\*, scan the QR code or go to: offers.shannonfabrics.com/beginner



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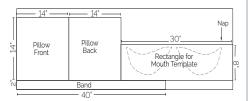
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## **DIRECTIONS**

• Read Cuddle® Basics before beginning.

## Cutting

- 1. From Orange Dimple, cut:
  - 1 (2" x 40") strip, *Band*.
  - 2 (14" x 14") squares, *Pillow* Front and Back
  - 1 (8" x 30") rectangle, for Mouth



- 2. From White, cut:
  - Left Eye\* and Right Eye\*.
  - Left Tooth\* and Right Tooth\*.
- 3. From Scarlet, cut:
  - 1 (6" x 12") rectangle, for Tongue.
- 4. From Navy, cut:
  - 1 (1½" x 14") strip, for Mouth Binding.
  - 1 (7" x 10") rectangle, for Horns.
  - 2 Pupils\*.

# Assembly

#### Cut the circles

- 1. For the pillow Front, fold an orange (14") square into quarters, right sides together.
- 2. Pin the Quarter Circle template to the folded square with the dotted lines on the folds.
- 3. Cut on the solid line.
- 4. In the same manner, cut the Back
- circle.

## Smaller Templates? No problem! Making the Horns, Tongue, & Mouth

To make it easier to manage the small pieces, the Horns, Tongue, and Mouth are sewn first—and then cut out.

#### Here's how:

- 1. Fold fabric in half, right sides together and nap following the template arrow.
- 2. Trace the outline of the template on the wrong side.
- 3. Pin *inside* the traced line.
- 3. Sew *on* the traced line, keeping the dotted line open for turning.
- 4. Trim ¼" beyond the sewn line.
- 5. Turn the piece right side out.

#### Make the Mouth

- 1. Follow the sidebar above to make the Mouth.
- 2. Notch the curve before turning right side out.
- 3. Match the top raw NOTCH CONVEX Edge edges. With right sides together, sew Mouth Binding the navy binding strip to the top of the Mouth.
- 4. Fold the strip to the back of the Mouth. "Stitch Stitch-in-the-ditch in the ditch" from the front to secure.

*Note: The navy strip is wide enough* to easily catch in the stitching.

5. Trim navy strip to ½" on each end.

### Make the Tongue

- 1. Follow the sidebar to make the Tongue.
- 2. After turning, Stitch Tongue Detail stitch down the middle of the tongue for detail.

#### Make the Horns

- 1. Follow the sidebar to make the Horns.
- 2. Stuff the Horns, and set aside.

## Add the face appliqués

Change the top thread color to match the appliqué piece. Appliqué pieces in this order:

- *Pupils (black) to Eyes (white)*
- Eye/Pupil combo to Pillow
- Teeth
- Tongue (only stitch the base)
- Mouth
- 1. With nap running down, arrange the appliqués on pillow Front as shown.



# Cuddle® Basics

- 1. Use a felt tip marker or ballpoint pen to trace appliqués or mark measurements on reverse side of Cuddle®.
- 2. Cut Cuddle® with a rotary cutter, craft knife, or scissors.
- 3. Shake cut pieces or put in a no-heat dryer with a damp washcloth for a few minutes to remove loose fibers.
- 4. Sew with polyester thread in the top and the bobbin.
- 5. Reduce presser foot pressure when sewing multiple layers.

- 2. Spray baste the back of the appliqués. Smooth into place.
- 3. Zigzag or blanket stitch the appliqués to the pillow Front. Note: Only stitch the base of the Tongue to the pillow. Straight stitch the top of the Mouth along the stitch-in-the-ditch line, catching the base of the Tongue in the stitching.

## Add the battina

- 1. Spray baste the wrong side of the Front and Back. Smooth each circle onto a batting square.
- 2. Trim batting to the circle edge.
- 3. Baste around each pillow/batting piece with a %" seam allowance.
- 4. Trim batting from the seam allowance.

## Assembly

- 1. Following the nap, fold the Front in half vertically. Fold again and mark quarter points at the edge.
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- 6. Increase stitch length to 3-4 mm.
- 7. Double pin by using 2 rows of pinsthe first row every 11/2" along the seam line and a second row 1" to the left and parallel to the cut edge.
- 8. Backstitch at the beginning and end of each seam.
- 9. Seam allowances are ½" unless otherwise noted.
- 10. Use an even-feed or walking foot, if possible. It makes a difference!

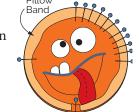


Batting



## Assembly, cont.

- 2. Trim the 2" Band to a 38½" length.
- 3. Sew short ends of the Band together.
- 4. Fold Band in half with the seam allowance at one end. Mark the fold. Fold in half again. Mark the quarter points.
- 5. With the nap going away from the Front, match the seam line on the Band to bottom mark on the Front. Pin top mark of the Band to the top mark of the Front.



- 6. Pin the quarter marks of the Band and Front together.
- 7. Continue to pin the Band to the Front.

  Note: Pin approximately halfway between the initial pins, then halfway between those pins. Pin frequently.
- 8. Sew the Band to the Front.

# **Finishing**

- 1. Mark a 5" turning gap on Back. Staystitch between marks. Staystitch a corresponding 5" gap on Band
- 2. With nap going in the same direction as the Front, pin the Back to the Band.
- 3. Sew Back to Band, leaving the 5" gap open for turning. Sew an L-pivot at the gap.

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- 4. Turn pillow right side out. Stuff as desired or insert pillow form.
- 5. Pin the turning gap closed. Hand sew with a ladder stitch.

Ladder Stitch: Use polyester thread and a hand sewing needle to catch one side of the opening, then the other. Tighten every few stitches.

