

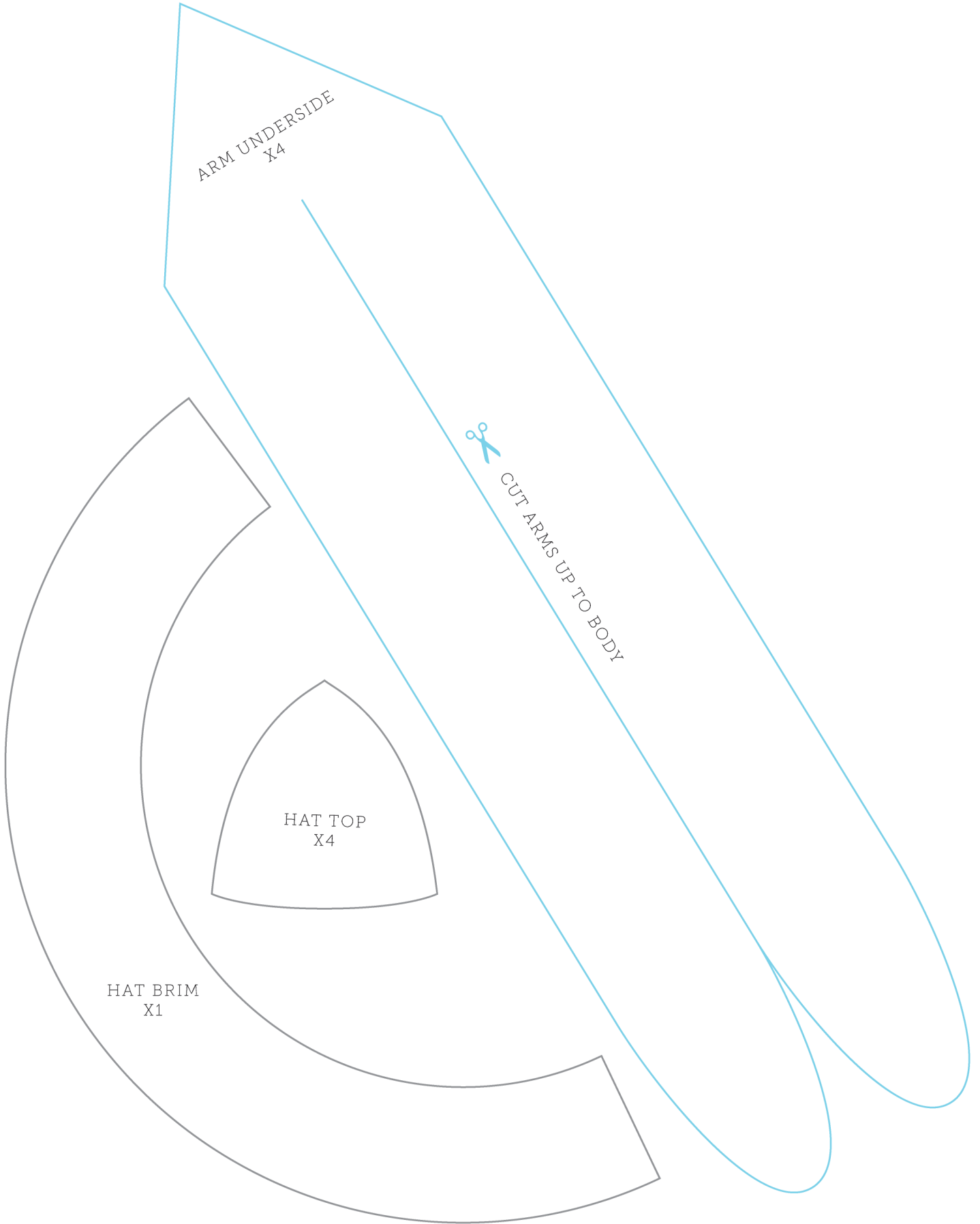
ARM UNDERSIDE
X4



CUT ARMS UP TO BODY

HAT TOP
X4

HAT BRIM
X1



Materials List & Instructions

Stuffed Felt Octopus

Tools

Scissors
Sewing needle
Sewing pins
Low-temp hot glue gun

Materials

Felt: aquamarine, cool blue, blush, and white
Embroidery floss: aquamarine, cool blue, blush, white, and black
Poly-fill
8-16 6mm cotton pipe cleaners
2 3/4" black buttons

Instructions

1. Gather materials and print out template.
2. Cut out felt pieces according to pattern.
3. Pin two pieces of the octopus body together. Blanket stitch along one side to just the top of the head using the matching aquamarine embroidery floss, split into 3 strands. Repeat with the other two body pieces.
4. Pin the sewn body pieces together and blanket stitch all four together, stitching over the top of the head to the other side.
5. Sew the eyes on with black embroidery floss, with the buttons about 3.5" from the top of the head, and .5" from the side seam.
6. Whip stitch the cheeks just under the eyes with the blush colored floss split into 3 strands.
7. Pin one of the cool blue arm pieces to the underside of the body. Blanket stitch along the edge with the aquamarine floss split into 3 strands.
8. Before stitching up the other side, glue down a cotton pipe cleaner to the bottom. If you want the arms to be more bendy, add a second pipe cleaner. Leave the end tucked away inside the body
9. Continue blanket stitching up the side, stuffing with poly-fill gently as you go. A wooden skewer or chopstick can help even out the stuffing. Do not stuff too firmly, else the arms will not bend easily.
10. After finishing one arm, continue the blanket stitch onto the second arm.
11. Repeat steps 7-9 for all of the octopus arms.
12. Stuff the body of the octopus firmly. Twist the ends of the pipe cleaners together diagonally to anchor them in place.
13. Blanket stitch the underside together with 3 strands of the cool blue embroidery floss.

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Instructions (continued)

14. Before closing up the underside, add more stuffing on top of the pipe cleaners to make it more plush.
15. For the sailor hat, use the white embroidery floss split into 3 strands and blanket stitch the bottom of the triangle shaped pieces onto the inside brim of the hat. They should slightly overlap on the sides. Stitch the last piece only half way and leave the end of the string unknotted for later.
16. Blanket stitch the top edges of the hat together with white floss, creating the dome of the hat.
17. Pin the ends of the brim of the hat together. Finish blanket stitching the last triangle piece onto the brim.
18. Blanket stitch the ends of the brim together, with the nicer side on the inside.
19. Roll the brim of the hat up. Ironing can help make the edge crisper. Blanket stitch the edge of the hat to finish it.
20. Lightly stuff the hat. Using the white floss, add a few stitches to secure the hat to the top of the head.

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