

Love My Annie Wreath

Uses a 12 inch grapevine wreath

You Will Be A Needlin':

Material: Muslin, scraps for dress including plain dress, bodice, skirt, head dress, hair bow, material for outside heart and inside heart

Wreath - 12 inch grapevine wreath

Cheesecloth

Stuffing

Mechanical pencil

Embroidery floss: Barn red, dark brown

Doll needle (3 or 5 inches long)

Paint: Black, whicker white, barn red

Large rusty bell

Hot glue gun and glue sticks

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Annie's approximately 6 inches tall



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Read through all directions before beginning.

For illustrations of the different steps and techniques as well as the stitches visit my "Stitch 'n' Stuff" page on my web site at <http://www.lilliemaescrafts.com>

Note: Stain all materials, ribbons, laces, cheesecloth, etc. before beginning with the recipe and instructions given at the end of these directions.

Notice: In the directions, Annie #1 will be the Annie with the head dress on and Annie #2 will be the Annie without anything on her head.

Annie's:

1. Print and cut out all Annie patterns including her arm and leg pattern.
2. Trace body pattern on doubled muslin; do NOT cut out. Sew on traced lines; do NOT leave an opening. On center back, cut a small opening for turning; turn. Stuff firmly; sew opening shut.
3. Wrap a piece of matching embroidery thread around neck portion to separate head and body (see picture).
4. Trace 2 arms and 2 legs on doubled muslin; do NOT cut out. Sew on traced lines being sure to leave open where indicated on patterns. Stuff firmly to stuffing lines on patterns; sew openings shut.
5. Attach arms and legs where indicated on pattern.

Facial Features:

1. Lightly dip the end of a small paintbrush into black acrylic paint and dot on her eyes. Let dry. Lightly dip the flat end of a straight pin into whicker white paint and dot on the whites of the eyes.
2. With a wooden or plastic ruler, trace on her eyebrows and mouth. Thread a double strand of dark brown embroidery thread on doll needle and going in from the top of her head (this will be covered with her hair) go down and embroidery her eyebrows and mouth with a simple backstitch.
3. Print and cut out her nose pattern. Place on face where desired and pin in place with straight pins. Trace with mechanical pencil. Thread doll needle with a double strand of country red embroidery thread and going in from the top of her head (this will be covered with her hair) go down and embroider her nose with a satin stitch.
4. Lightly dip a small paintbrush into Barn Red acrylic paint and pounce off most of the paint on a paper towel. Lightly swirl in her cheeks.

Hair - Annie #1:

- 1: Wrap barn red embroidery floss (all 6 strands) around first 2 fingers 3 times and slide off; make 3 (one for each spot indicated on her pattern).
2. Cut a piece of matching embroidery thread, about 2 inches long, one for every spot marked on head, and thread onto a doll needle. Insert this in one of the hair spots indicated on head pattern, take the needle all the way through the head (from front to back) then bring the needle³ back around to the front and take it back through head leaving enough of a loop to insert hair into and leaving enough tails on both ends to pull to tighten.
3. Lay one hair bundle inside each loop and pull to tighten, knot and tie off. Clip all loops and trim hair.

Hair - Annie #2:

1. Wrap barn red embroidery floss (all 6 strands) around first 3 fingers 3 times and slide off; make 5 (one for each spot indicated on her pattern).
2. Cut a piece of matching embroidery thread, about 2 inches long, one for every spot marked on head, and thread onto a doll needle. Insert this in one of the hair spots indicated on head pattern, take the needle all the way through the head (from front to back) then bring the needle³ back around to the front and take it back through head leaving enough of a loop to insert hair into and leaving enough tails on both ends to pull to tighten.
3. Lay one hair bundle inside each loop and pull to tighten, knot and tie off. Clip all loops and trim hair.

Head Dress - Annie #1:

1. Print off head dress pattern
2. Make knots near each end (see picture).
3. Glue or sew on.

Dress - Annie #1:

1. Print and cut out dress pattern. Trace on double material being sure to place on fold where indicated on pattern; cut out.
2. With right sides together, sew shoulder and side seams.
3. Place on doll. Fold down neck about 1/4 inch and, with matching embroidery thread, hand sew a gathering stitch around neck; pull to gather and tie off thread.
4. With fingernails, scrape along hem to fray out.

Apron - Annie #1:

1. Print and cut out apron pattern. Trace on double material; cut out.
2. With 2 strands of matching embroidery floss, sew a running stitch all around the apron.
3. Sew small white buttons on front of apron (see picture), run the 2 strands of embroidery floss over her shoulder (to act as a strap) and stitch to back of dress; do the same on both sides.

Dress - Annie #2:

1. Print off bodice and skirt patterns.
2. Bodice: Place pattern on doubled material being sure to place on fold as indicated on pattern. Pin and trace around. Cut out. Need 2 of these.
3. Skirt: Place skirt pattern on doubled material being sure to place on fold where indicated on pattern. Cut out. Need 2 of these.

4. Sew a gathering stitch about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch down from top of each skirt pattern; pull to gather. Match these to bottom of both sides of bodice; pin and stitch in place.
5. Pin sides and underarms and stitch seams closed using $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam allowance.
6. With your fingernails, fray out ends (hem).
7. Place dress on doll and turn neck under $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. Hand stitch a gathering stitch all the way around, pull to gather and tie off.

Bloomers (Both Annies):

1. Print out bloomers pattern. Trace on double white material being sure to place on fold where indicated on pattern; cut out.
2. With right sides together, sew side seams as indicated by dashed lines on pattern.
3. With white embroidery floss, hand sew a gathering stitch completely around the waist of the bloomers; pull to gather and tie in a bow in front.

Heart:

1. Print and cut out outside heart pattern. Trace on wrong side of double material; do NOT cut out.
2. Sew on traced lines; do NOT leave an opening. Cut out about 1/4 inch away from sewn lines.
3. On center FRONT, cut a small slit for turning. Turn. Press.
4. Stuff firmly and sew opening shut.
5. Print and cut out inside heart pattern. Trace on wrong side of single layer material; cut out.
6. Center this over the hole made for turning and sew on with matching embroidery thread using a running stitch.

Staining Recipe and Instructions:

Supplies Needed:

- Instant coffee
- Vanilla extract
- Fragrance oil (optional, Cinnabun is one of my favorites)
- Old cookie sheet
- Small spray bottle or sponge brush
- Funnel (if using a spray bottle)
- Wax paper or parchment paper
- Rags (this is messy)

Mix Stain:

1. Mix together in glass jar with lid - $\frac{1}{4}$ cup instant coffee, 2 cups hot water and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup vanilla extract. Add fragrance oil to your taste. (HINT: You may want to add just a little at first and add more if you desire. If you add too much to begin with it may be stronger than you prefer.)
2. Pour stain into spray bottle or apply with sponge brush.
3. Spray the item you are staining front and back thoroughly or apply stain with sponge brush. Be sure to cover item completely with stain.

To Dry (For your convenience, I've listed 3 different ways to dry your stained item):

1. Lay on an old cookie sheet lined with wax paper or parchment paper. Bake in oven at 200 degrees for 10 minutes. If you need to bake longer, only bake at 5 minute increments. NEVER LEAVE THIS UNATTENDED. THIS CAN CATCH ON FIRE. KEEP CHILDREN AND PETS AWAY. WATCH CLOSELY.

2. Attach a piece of thread to one end of your item to be stained and hang up (hours or over night depending on the item) to dry. Be sure to hang where possible drippings from your stain mix will not cause damage. (I hang mine in my garage.)
3. Throw in the dryer. This method is great for small items. NOTE: Be sure to clean your dryer thoroughly before attempting to dry clean clothes in it again.

Rusting Recipe: Combine 2 cups white vinegar, 1/4 cup peroxide and 2 tablespoons salt in a large plastic container; soak for 4 hours. Remove to paper towels, spritz with peroxide and spread salt on them. Let sit for another 2 hours. NOTE: This recipe calls for a large container as this recipe foams up pretty quickly.

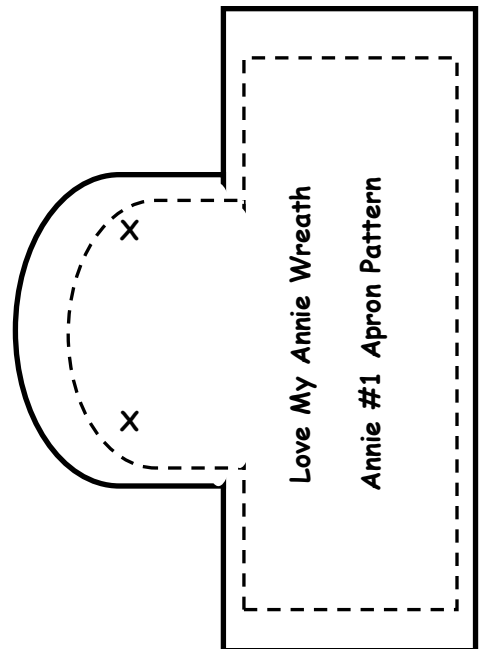
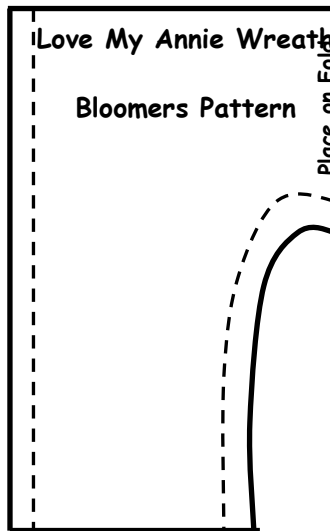
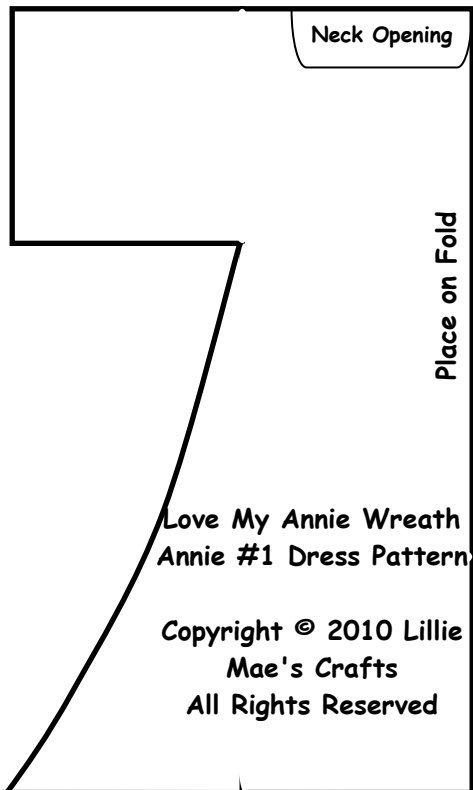
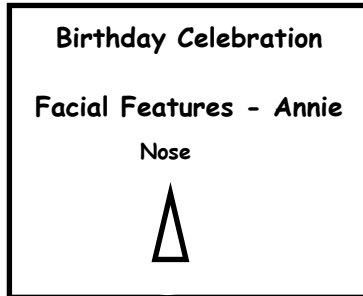
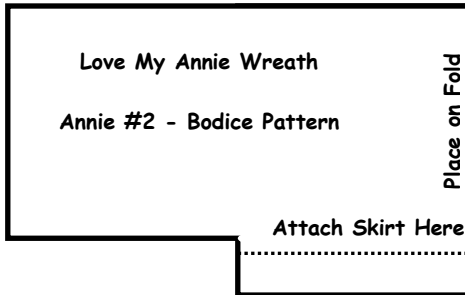
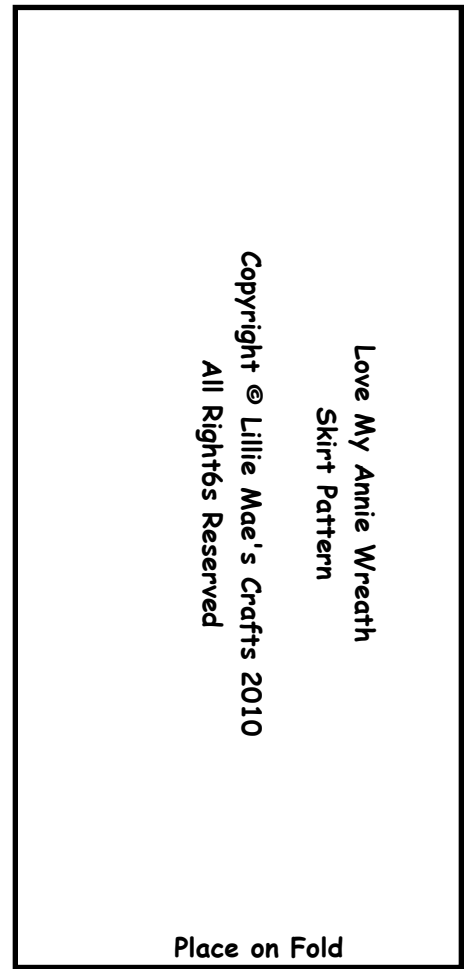
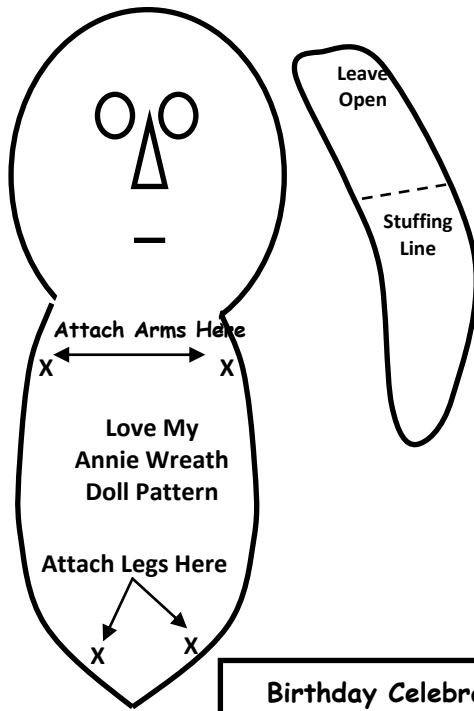
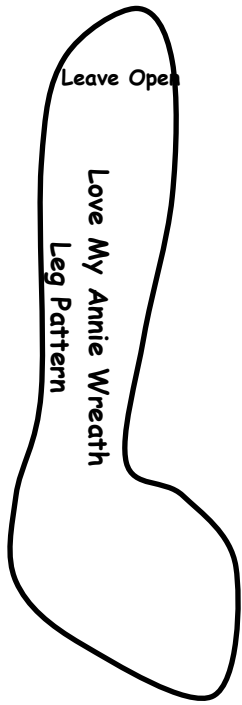
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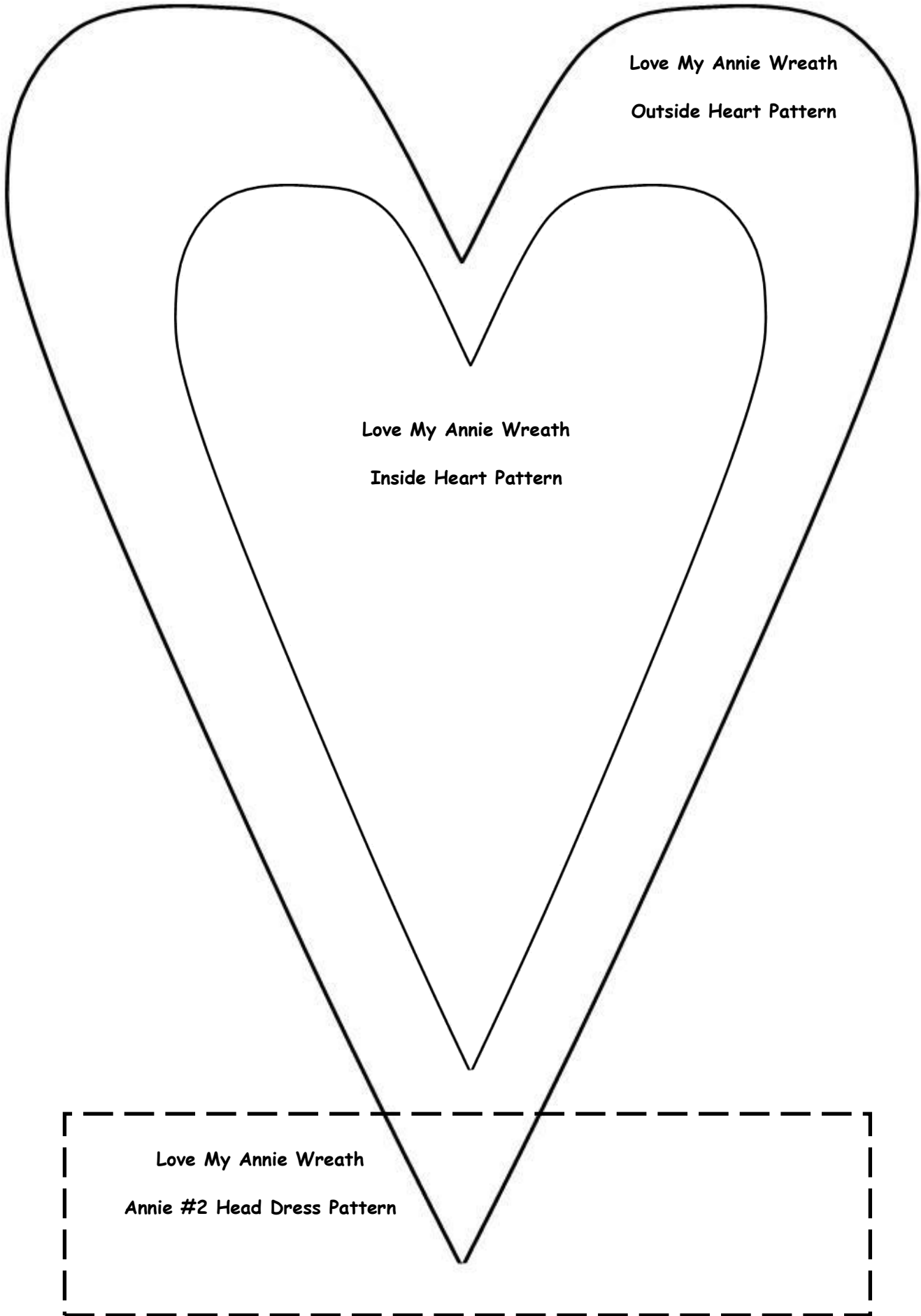
1. Sew large rusty bell to center of heart. (Note: If you don't have a rusty bell, use the rusting recipe and instructions given below at the end of these directions.)
2. Cut a small piece of material, fashion into a bow and either glue or sew to Annie #2.
3. Cut a large piece of cheesecloth out, stain it and fashion into a bow; glue in place.
4. Glue heart in place (see picture).
5. Glue Annie's in place.

You're done with Love My Annie Wreath. I hope you enjoyed making it as much as I enjoyed designing it. If you have any problems or questions at all, please don't hesitate to e-mail me or visit my "Stitch 'n' Stuff" page at

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Outside Heart Pattern

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Inside Heart Pattern

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Annie #2 Head Dress Pattern