

Top of the Morning Shamrock Ornies

You Will Need:

Material: Green, muslin, black
Embroidery floss: Black, green, dark brown
Two black seed beads (eyes)
Doll needle
Embroidery needle
Stuffing
Barn red acrylic paint
Paint brush

Staining: Instant coffee, vanilla extract, fragrance oil.
Optional for staining: Old cookie sheet, rags, wax paper, glass jar with lid.

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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 website at <http://www.lilliemaescrafts.com>

Shamrock:

- #1. Print off shamrock pattern and trace on double green material. Sew on traced lines; do NOT leave an opening. Cut out about 1/4 inch away from sewn lines.
- #2. In center of front, cut a small slit for turning. Clip curves and turn. Press.
- #3. Stuff firmly and sew opening closed.

Shamrock Face:

- #1. Print off shamrock with face and trace on double muslin.
- #2. With a plastic or wooden ruler, trace eyebrows which are 1/2 inch long.
- #3. Print off mouth pattern and trace from one bold line (center line) under the pattern to the other side (center bolded line).
- #4. Thread embroidery needle with double strand of dark brown embroidery floss and, using a simple backstitch, stitch eyebrows and mouth.
- #5. Stain with recipe and instructions given below at the end of these directions.
- #6. With black thread, sew on black seed beads for eyes.
- #7. Load your paintbrush with barn red paint, blot off most of it on a paper towel, and swirl on the cheeks.

Top Hat:

- #1. Print out all hat patterns.
- #2. Trace brim pattern on double black material; do NOT cut out. Sew on traced lines; do NOT leave an opening. Cut out about 1/4 inch away from sewn lines. On one side, cut a small slash through only one layer of material for turning. Turn.
- #3. Trace top hat pattern on single layer black material; cut out.
- #4. Trace band pattern on single layer black material; cut out.
- #5. Easing the band around the top pattern and beginning where indicated on pattern with an "x", whipstitch the top hat to the band; when you get near the end, stuff the top hat with a small amount of stuffing. Trim excess and sew ends together. Turn.

Finishing:

- #1. With a double strand of matching embroidery floss, sew the face to the center of the shamrock, over the opening you cut for stuffing, with a running stitch.

#2. Center the hat over the slash you made in the brim and cut out an opening through both layers of material so that the hat will fit over one of the leaves of the shamrock. Sew or glue to head.

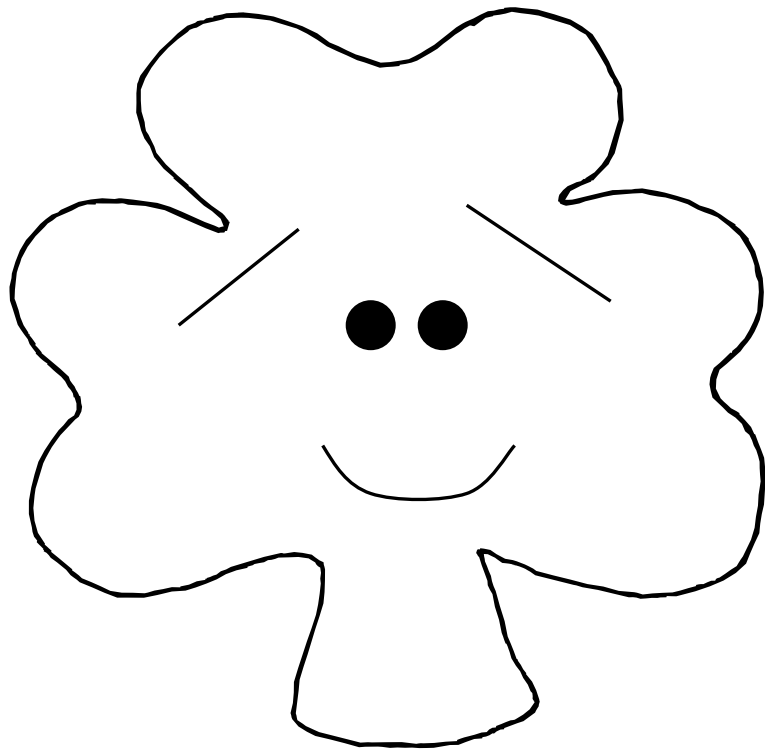
#3. Print out the pattern for the bow tie and fashion into a tie, trim excess. Sew or glue in place.

Staining: Combine $\frac{1}{4}$ cup instant coffee, 2 cups hot water, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup Vanilla extract and $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon fragrance oil (Some of my preferred scents are cinnamon bun, sugar cookies, and vanilla) in a glass jar with lid. Shake for few minutes until thoroughly mixed. If the scent is not strong enough for your preference, add another $\frac{1}{8}$ teaspoon of fragrance oil and continue this until the scent is to your liking. However, I would suggest only adding $\frac{1}{8}$ teaspoon of fragrance oil each time because if you add too much and the scent is too strong for you, you will have to start over. Line an old cookie sheet with old rags and lay what you're staining here. With a sponge brush or spray bottle thoroughly coat. Bake for 10 minutes at 200 degrees. Check often as this can catch on fire. If you have to bake longer, only bake at 5 minute increments and always KEEP checking the oven. Store left over stain mixture in glass jar with lid for your next primitive project.

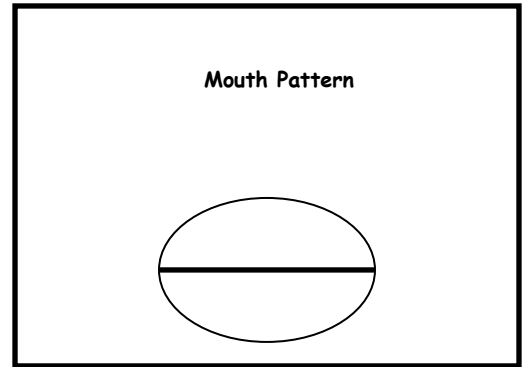
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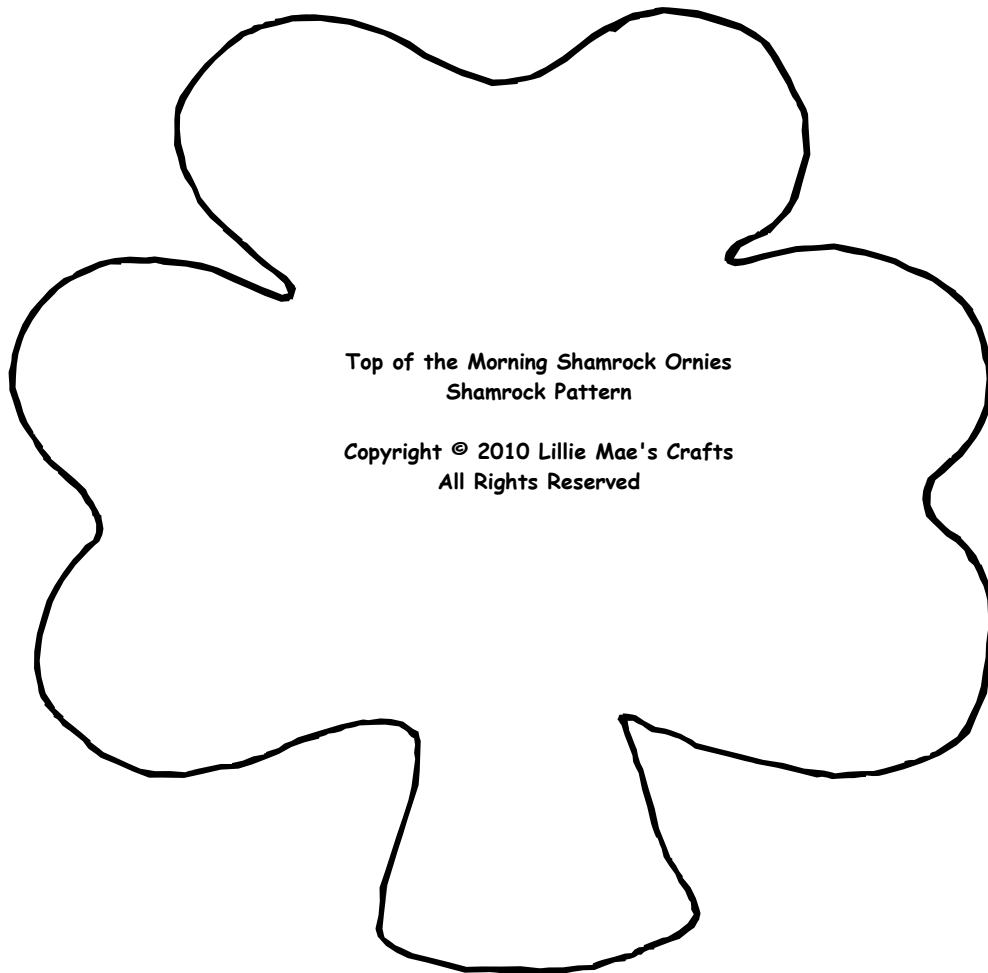
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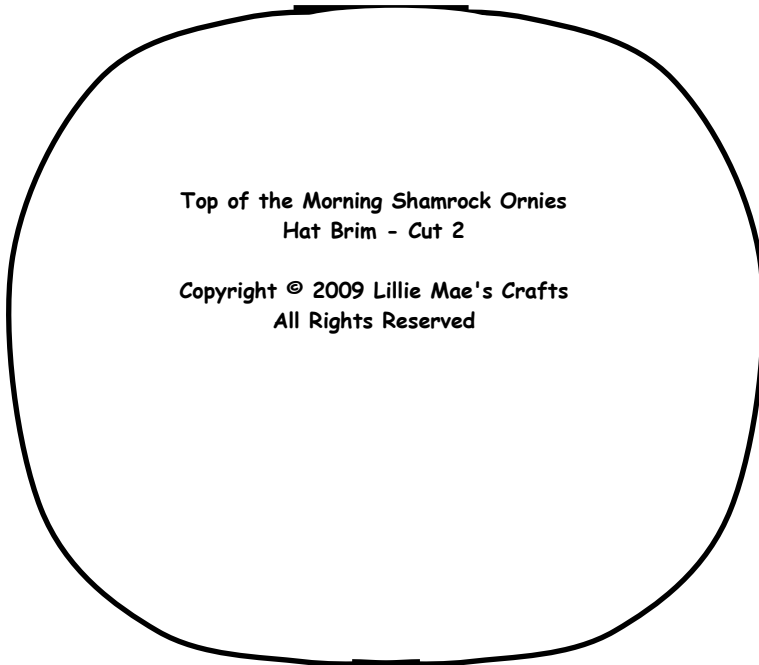


Mouth Pattern



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Shamrock Pattern

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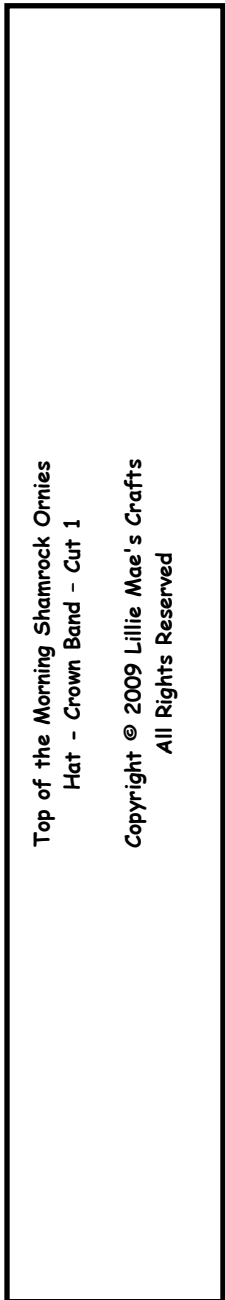
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Hat Brim - Cut 2

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Hat top

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Hat - Crown Band - Cut 1

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