

Christmas Bell Decorations

Requirements :

Two Christmas fabrics: 13 cm (5 inches) each

Fusible interfacing eg H630 : (5 inches)

Two or three small bells

15 inches (40 cm) cord or very thin ribbon

Instructions:

- Fuse the interfacing onto the back of one of the fabrics.
- Lightly pin the 2 fabrics right together, with the interfacing uppermost.
- Draw a circle onto the interfacing, around a circular object (small side plate, large saucer etc.).
- Sew the fabrics together on the drawn line, leaving a 2-inch turning gap.
- Trim back the excess fabric and turn through, easing the seam flat from within with a spoon.
- Press well and either hand-stitch the turning gap closed or topstitch all the way round the circle, closing the gap that way.
- Place the doubled over cord in the centre of the fabric you want on the inside of the bell, about an inch from the turning gap, leaving a long enough loop to hang the decoration.
- Fold the two sides in, overlapping like a cape, and make sure to hide the turning gap under the other flap.
- Hand-stitch down the top meeting point, securing the loop, and very carefully down the flap, making sure to catch the two flaps but not the back of the "bell".
- Tie the bells to the cord at whatever point you want them to hang and trim any excess cord.

