

# Monster Pencil Case

## You need:

Outer fabric with iron on Vilene 14" x 10½"

Lining fabric with iron on Wadding 14" x 10½"

2 Buttons about 1" for eyes

Selvedge strip about 1" x 36" for hair

2 x 2½" circles of white fabric + bondaweb

7" zipper – or longer, you can cut it down.



## To Make:

1. Place fabrics RS together with outer fabric on top and cut in half - two pieces 7" x 10½"
2. Take one pair and mark mouth with a line 2½" up from one long edge and 1¾" in from ends
3. Mark either side of this line making a letterbox. My zip is chunky so my box is ¾" wide adjust size to fit your zip (see picture). Mark corners as shown.
4. Stitch around the shape twice, just outside the line. Cut open and trim close to stitches and into corners cutting the wadding away.
5. Turn through and Press carefully.



**Zipper.** Check Zipper length if you need to you can stitch across the teeth by hand or machine and cut off the surplus. Tack stitch the ends of the zip to the lining fabric by folding the top fabric out of the way. Pin the zip inside the hole and topstitch into place using your zip foot. NOT over the ends if there are zip teeth there!



**Shape.** Round the ends of the pencil case – I drew around a 7” tea plate, trim off excess

**Eyes.** Attach bondaweb to white fabric circles and stick onto face. Stitch around edges.

**Hair.** Fold selvedge strip in half lengthwise and stitch along, I used a zigzag. Cut into 8 pieces and knot one end of each small strip. Pin to top of face pointing inwards and stitch across close to outer edge to hold in place

OPEN THE ZIP

Layer the Face RS up, Back outer RS down, Back Lining RS up.

Pin and stitch all the way around the outside, twice, enclosing the hair. Trim. Neaten the edge with a zigzag stitch. Turn through the zipper and stitch on buttons securely.

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