

# BERNINA OWL project

## Method

- 1 Download the BERNINA Owl Design file and transfer it to your machine using your preferred method.
- 2 Hoop up the tearaway and place the hoop onto your machine. Lay your Minky on top of the hoop ensuring the pile runs toward you. Place your solvey on top of the Minky.
- 3 The first colour of the design will be a tacking stitch. Hold the Minky and solvey in place as it tacks them down.
- 4 The next colour is the placement line for the appliqué. Once your machine has finished stitching, lay your piece of white fabric on top of the stitching line. The next colour will tack the fabric down using a zig zag. When the stitching has completed take the hoop off your machine and carefully cut away the excess fabric so you are left with 2 circles.

Place the hoop back onto the machine and stitch out the next colour. This will cover the raw edges with a satin stitch.



## Materials List

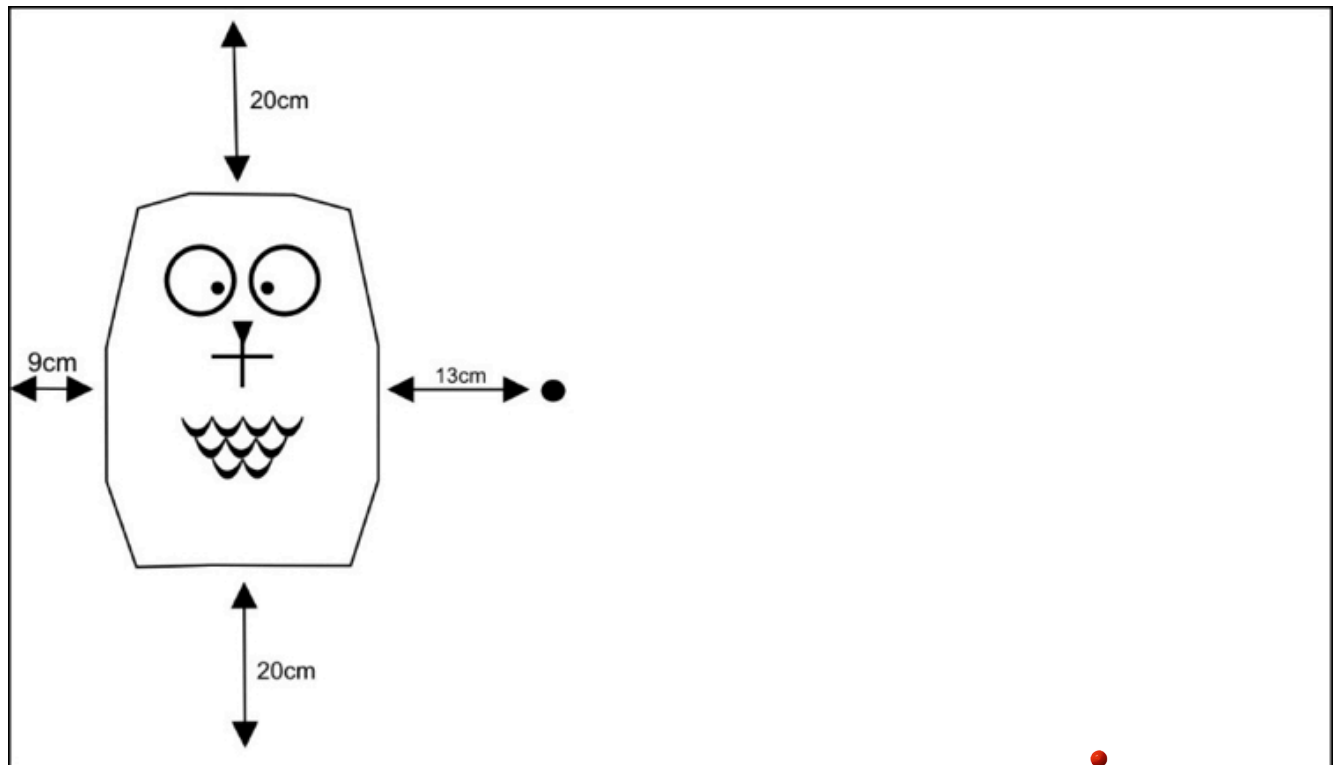
- 2x Minky Rectangles 60cm x 90cm
- Scrap of Minky 30cm x 90cm
- Tearaway 25cm x 29cm
- Solvey 20cm x 20cm
- Scrap of White Homespun
- 1 x Black Button
- White Sewing Thread
- Embroidery Thread: White, Black, Yellow
- Pattern Template (print A4 at 100%)
- Pins
- Ruler
- Marking Pen

- 5 Continue embroidering the design until it is complete, changing colours as require.
- 6 Take you design out of the hoop. Unpick the tacking stitch and remove the tearaway and solvey. Use your master template to cut the owl face to the correct size. Cut out the ears, wings and feet.
- 7 Stitch the ears, wings and feet together using a ¼ inch or 7mm seam allowance. Make sure you leave the flat side completely open. Turn the ears, wings and feet through.



- 8 Pin your ears, wings and feet to the owl face. Stitch them in place by sewing all the way around the owl face using a ¼ inch or 7mm seam allowance.
- 9 Take one of your large pieces of Minky, lay it down so that the pile is running downward. Pin your owl body in place (use diagram below as guide), tucking the ¼ inch or 7mm seam allowance as you go. Stitch the body down 1/8 inch or 4mm from the edge. Mark the position of the button with a pin.

From your scraps of Minky cut a strip that measures 10cm x 3cm. Fold the strip into thirds hiding one of the raw edges. Topstitch the visible raw edge down. Fold this piece in half to create a loop. Find the centre of the short side of your blanket, closest to the owl and stitch it down. Stitch the button into place.



- 10 Take your two large pieces of Minky and pin right sides together. Cut all 4 corners back to a curve. Stitch around the edges using a ¼ inch or 7mm seam allowance, ensuring you leave a gap on one of the small sides. Turn your blanket through and top stitch around the edges, sewing the opening shut as you go.



