



DIY Fabric Pumpkins



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You will need:

Scissors

Fabrics

Measuring tape or ruler

Needle & Thread (or sewing machine)

Embroidery Thread

Not shown in pic – small pieces of hessian (aka burlap) for the stalk



I personally prefer to make things in threes. Why? Because if I just make one I always seem to regret not making more and basically can't really be bothered to go through the process again. So if like me – make three :D

For each pumpkin cut a rectangle of fabric three times the length it is high e.g. 6inch high, 18 inches wide.



If you are using your sewing machine sew a basting stitch along what will be the top of the pumpkin. (This is the longest straight stitch on your machine)

If you are hand sewing, sew large running stitches, which can be gathered by pulling the thread at either side.



Once you pull the thread it should gather as in the picture.



Sew up the short sides with backstitch (straight stitch on sewing machine) making sure to secure stitching at both ends.



Pull the threads tight at the bottom of the pumpkin and tie a knot it should look like this.



Turn the pumpkins the right side out.



Fill each pumpkin with your chosen stuffing.

Tip – use old cushion stuffing



Thread your embroidery thread into an embroidery needle and sew a running stitch around the top of the pumpkin.



Pull the thread tightly and secure in place with a knot.



Your pumpkins should now look like this.



Finish off the pumpkin with a stalk. I made this one by drawing around my finger to make a template and sewed two pieces of hessian together using the template. Sew or glue in place.

I hope you enjoyed making the pumpkins. I'd love to see them when you are done.

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