

Primitive Sheep TPH-#102

Size 6"

Supplies Needed

- Polyester cotton filling
- 5 x 5 piece red felt
- 1" rustic star
- Black paint
- Turning tool
- 10 x 10 piece Antique white Felt
- 1" Rustic Bell
- Sewing supplies
- Shipping Tags (size: 3/4 x 1 3/8)
- Red DMC embroidery floss
- Fine sand paper
- Wire Cutter
- Glue Gun
- 1 glue stick
- Seam ripper
- Instant Coffee/Tea
- Walnut ink (optional)
- Old Cookie Sheet
- 2 small pieces of twig (1 1/2" long)
- Black fabric marker
- Freezer or Wax paper

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Abbreviated Words:

RST= Right Sides Together

RSO= Right Sides Out

¼" Seam allowance is added to pieces

Read all directions thoroughly before getting started Start by making a template of the pattern pieces. You can use heavy card stock paper or cardboard.

Grubbing: There are two ways to get this effect

1. **Instant Coffee and Cinnamon:** Mix ¼ cup of instant coffee with 1-cup hot water (not too hot). Add your cinnamon (you can sprinkle a little or a lot depending on how dark you want your tags to look. I added about 2 tablespoons.

2. **Walnut Ink Crystals:** They are great for giving your project that aged look! You can purchase them on E-bay.

All you do is mix 1-tbsp walnut ink with 1-cup hot water in an old spaghetti pot that you don't plan to use again and you are ready to grubby. Now if you want a tea-stained look just add more water. (Use more or less water depending on how dark you want your tags to look).

Directions:

On double layer of antique felt material, cut out 2 sheep pieces. With RST sew around the sheep and leave opening where indicated on pattern. Turn RSO and stuff firmly. Slip stitch opening close.

Paint face of sheep with black paint (see diagram). Make sure it's completely covered; it may take two coats of paint which is fine. Lay sheep on a piece of wax paper to dry.

Attaching the Stick Legs:

With wire cutters cut 4 stick pieces measuring 1 ½". I used some from my back yard. Smooth out both ends of sticks with a fine piece of sand paper.

Measure 2" in from front edge of body and ½" from side to place your first leg. Take your seam ripper and cut a small hole into the bottom of the sheep big enough to fit the stick into (See X on pattern for leg placement)

Put a small dab of glue on one end of your stick and place it into the hole. Make sure you leave about ½" sticking out.

Once you attach the first stick leg, measure about ½" across and place the second stick. Repeat the same instructions for the rest of the stick legs.

Attaching the Heart:

Cut out 1 heart piece on a single layer of red felt. Place it in the center of the sheep's body and using your red DMC embroidery floss; slip stitch around the outside of heart. Knot off. Now add a dab of glue to the back of your mini rusty star and press it firmly in the center of the red heart.

Finish Touches

Grubby Hang Tags:

Once you have made your grubby mixture, place your tags on a plate and brush both sides of the tags lightly. Microwave for about 10-20 seconds. (In about 15 seconds check on the tags to see if they are dry and flip them over).

Everyone's microwave dries differently so you may not need the whole 20 seconds but if you need more time just microwave a few more seconds. Your plate will be hot so please use a potholder to remove it from the microwave.

Optional:

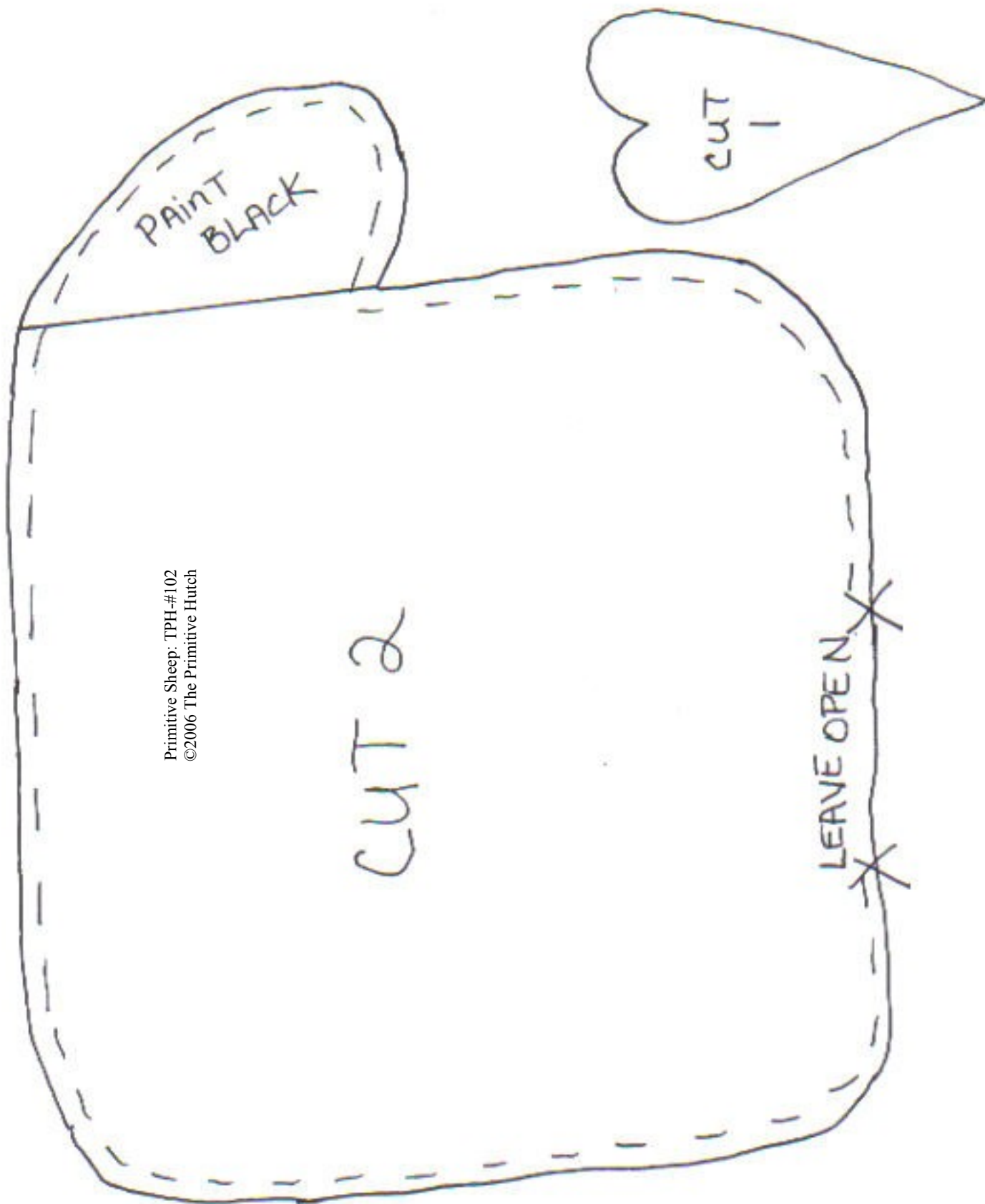
You can place your tags on a cookie sheet, brush both sides with your grubby mixture and bake in the oven at 195-200 degrees for 2-5 minutes. Make sure you flip the tags over so they dry evenly. Remove from oven and let cool off.

Sew rusty bell under your sheep's neck and attach your grubby hang tag. You are done! Hope you enjoy making my sheep as much as I did! If you have any questions, please feel free to visit my site The Primitive Hutch <http://www.theprimitivehutch.com> or email me at theprimitivehutch@gmail.com

Hugs,

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