

Persimmon Dumpling Pouch Hacks #19 - #22

Animals

Original Persimmon Dumpling Pouch Pattern can be found here-
<https://sewsweetness.com/2019/08/persimmon-dumpling-pouch>

PURRsimmon Persimmon - Hack # 19

Make the Ears

1. Cut out all the Purrsimmon Ear pattern pieces, outside of the line.
2. Cut out the ears as instructed on the pattern pieces from the material you have chosen. I recommend using cork, vinyl, faux leather or leather, something that doesn't fray.



3. Place ears together, so you have a front and back. You want to have a left and right side ear.
4. Using a glue stick, glue one piece of Peltex to one half of the ear, on the wrong side of the material. Place the Peltex centered to the ear.



5. Using the glue stick, glue the other side of the ear to the Peltex. The Peltex will now be sandwiched between. You can leave this dry for at least 10 minutes or place a pressing cloth over them and using a dry iron, press them to dry the glue. Do a small test before you do this to ensure your material won't burn. I used a cloth folded in half.

6. Topstitch up one side, pivot and stitch down the other side of the ear, using 1/8" seam allowance. You will not be stitching the bottom yet.

7. Repeat Steps 4 - 6 for the other ear. Place the completed ears to the side for now.

Make the Large Pouch

8. Draw your whiskers on the pouch using a Clover Chaco. Or you can just stitch them. Ensure the bottom whisker is at least 3/4" from where the bottom of the pouch would be when constructed. This is where the cut outs for boxing the pouch are. My whiskers are 1-1/2" away from the center on both sides.



9. Make the pouch as per Sara's instructions.

Attach the Ears

10. Measure and make a mark that is 1" over to the right from the center top curved edge.

11. Place the ear at this mark. You'll want the bottom of the ear to be 1/8" lower than your topstitching you made when you constructed the pouch.

12. Stitch the ear to the pouch, following the topstitching you made when you top stitched the pouch.

13. Repeat Steps 10 - 12 for the other ear and left side of the pouch.



PUPsimmon Persimmon - Hack #20

Make the Ears

1. Cut out all the Pupsimmon Ear pattern pieces, outside of the line. If you'd like to make the ears floppy, you'll cut the Peltex Pattern piece instead for this.

2. Cut out the ears as instructed on the pattern pieces from the material you have chosen. I recommend using cork, vinyl, faux leather or leather, something that doesn't fray.

3. Place ears together, so you have a front and back. You want to have a left and right side ear.

4. Using a glue stick, glue one piece of Peltex to one half of the ear, on the wrong side of the material. Place the Peltex centered to the ear.

5. Using the glue stick, glue the other side of the ear to the Peltex. The Peltex will now be sandwiched between. You can leave this dry for at least 10 minutes or place a pressing cloth over them and using a dry iron, press them to dry the glue. Do a small test before you do this to ensure your material won't burn. I used a cloth folded in half.

6. Topstitch up one side, stitch around the top curve and then stitch down the other side of the ear, using 1/8" seam allowance. You will not be stitching the bottom yet.

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7. If making the floppy ears, you'll fold them down, right where the Peltex is. Stitch the ear in place following the topstitching you made on the ear.

8. Repeat Steps 4 - 7 for the other ear. Place the completed ears to the side for now.

Attach the Nose

9. Using a washable glue stick, glue the nose centered and 1/2" up from where the bottom of the pouch would be when constructed. This is where the cut outs for boxing the pouch are. You can leave this off to the side to dry for at least 10 minutes or place a pressing cloth over them and using a dry iron, press them to dry the glue. Do a small test before you do this to ensure your material won't burn. I used a cloth folded in half.

10. Stitch the nose in place using 1/8" seam allowance.

Make the Large Pouch

11. Make the pouch as per Sara's instructions.

Attach the Ears

12. Measure and make a mark that is 1" over to the right from the center top curved edge.

13. Place the ear at this mark. You'll want the bottom of the ear to be 1/8" lower than your topstitching you made when you constructed the pouch.

14. Stitch the ear to the pouch, following the topstitching you made when you topstitched the pouch.

15. Repeat Steps 12 - 14 for the other ear and left side of the pouch.



BUNsimmon Persimmon - Hack #21

Make the Ears

1. Cut out all the Bunsimmon Ear pattern pieces, outside of the line.
2. Cut out the ears as instructed on the pattern pieces from the material you have chosen. I recommend using cork, vinyl, faux leather or leather, something that doesn't fray.
3. Place ears together, so you have a front and back. Then place one of the inner ear accent pieces on top of a set of ears, so the shape matches the outer ear. Repeat for the other ear. You want to have a left and right side ear.
4. Using a glue stick, glue one inner ear accent wrong sides to the right side of the outer ear. You can leave this off to the side to dry for 10 minutes or place a pressing cloth over them and using a dry iron, press them to dry the glue. Do a small test before you do this to ensure your material won't burn. I used a cloth folded in half.
5. Stitch the inner ear to the outer ear using 1/8" seam allowance.
6. Repeat Steps 4 and 5 to attach the inner ear accent to the other side's ear.



7. Using a glue stick, glue one piece of Peltex to the outer ear that has the inner ear accent, on the wrong side of the material. Place the Peltex centered to the ear.
8. Using the glue stick, glue the back side of the ear to the Peltex. The Peltex will now be sandwiched between. You can leave this dry for at least 10 minutes or place a pressing cloth over them and using a dry iron, press them to dry the glue. Do a small test before you do this to ensure your material won't burn. I used a cloth folded in half.
9. Topstitch up one side, pivot and then stitch down the other side of the ear, using 1/8" seam allowance. You will not be stitching the bottom yet.
10. If making the floppy ears, you can fold it down at any length you like. Stitch the ear in place following the topstitching you made on the ear.
11. Repeat Steps 7 - 10 for the other ear. Place the completed ears to the side for now.

Make the Large Pouch

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12. Make the pouch as per Sara's instructions.

Attach the Ears

13. Measure and make a mark that is 1" over to the right from the center.

14. Place the ear at this mark. You'll want the bottom of the ear to be 1/8" lower than your top stitching you made when you constructed the pouch.

15. Stitch the ear to the pouch, following the topstitching you made when you top stitched the pouch.

16. Repeat Steps 13 - 15 for the other ear and left side of the pouch.

*You can make and attach a bow anywhere on the bunny that you'd like.



MOUSimmon Persimmon- Hack #22

Make the Ears

1. Cut out all the MOUSimmon Ear pattern pieces, outside of the line.

2. Cut out the ears as instructed on the pattern pieces from the material you have chosen. I recommend using cork, vinyl, faux leather or leather, something that doesn't fray.

3. Place ears together, so you have a front and back.

4. Using a glue stick, glue one piece of Peltex to the front of the ear, on the wrong side of the material. Place the Peltex centered to the ear.

5. Using the glue stick, glue the back of the ear to the Peltex. The Peltex will now be sandwiched between. You can leave this dry for at least 10 minutes or place a pressing cloth over them and using a dry iron, press them to dry the glue. Do a small test before you do this to ensure your material won't burn. I used a cloth folded in half.

6. Topstitch the entire ear, using 1/8" seam allowance.

7. Repeat Steps 4 - 6 for the other ear. Place the completed ears to the side for now.

Make the Large Pouch

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8. Make the pouch as per Sara's instructions.

Attach the Ears

9. Measure and make a mark that is 1-1/2" over to the right from the center.

10. Place the ear at this mark. You can place the ear at any height you want. But the bottom of my ear was placed 3/4" away from my topstitching on the pouch.

11. Stitch the ear to the pouch, following the topstitching you made when you topstitched the ears.

12. Repeat Steps 9 - 11 for the other ear and left side of the pouch.



Here's a photo of how the pouch looked on my machine when attaching the ears.



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NOTES

1. The ears are sewn on at the very end and not into the seams because you would need to bend them when constructing the pouch. This means there would be a crease in the Peltex and they won't stand up straight anymore. So sewing them on at the end, keeps the Peltex crisp.
2. When you're placing the Peltex on the ear, if you find it's too close to the bottom edge and your machine struggles with bulk, cut the bottom 1/8" smaller. This will help reduce the bulk and make it easier to sew.
3. If you want to have the bottom of the ear curve to match the pouch, you can cut a curve on all the pieces before you glue them together.
4. If you're wanting to make the animal pouches out of all cotton, you'll need to cut all the ear pieces, 1/4" bigger on all sides. Place them right sides together and sew using 1/4" seam allowance. Leave an opening for turning right sides out and inserting the Peltex into them. Topstitch the ears using 1/8" seam allowance, but don't stitch the bottoms of the ears as I've instructed in the directions above.
5. You can use a combo of any of the Persimmon Dumpling Pouch hacks on any one pouch.
6. To get your accent pieces on the pouches to line up and have perfect boxed corners, ensure you're placing the center of the zipper teeth, against the side seam and center to it. This way everything will line up in the final construction. Use lots of pins and/or clips to hold everything in place while you sew. Don't remove your clips until the presser foot touches them. This way nothing shifts while you're sewing.
7. To get a flat bottom, give the front that goes from one box corner to the other a really good press. You can find this edge, by pinching the one corner of the boxed corner and the opposite corner at the same time. This will help it sit flat. If using a material that can't be ironed, use clips on the seam and leave them for a couple of hours or overnight, the longer the better. Place foam between the clip and the material, so the clip doesn't leave teeth marks.
8. If you have an embroidery machine, you can embroider the animal faces onto the pouch. You can also use buttons for the eyes, make the eyes out of a material that doesn't fray. Get creative.
9. I recommend heat sealing all your zippers, this helps prevent them from fraying.

10. You can also use a scrap of zipper for a zipper pull. You can use one half or cut the tape off the zipper , so there is just the coil. Then heat seal the whole zipper so it won't fray. Please be careful.



****I will be making more animal pouches. When I have those all completed I'll create another PDF File with them all.**

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