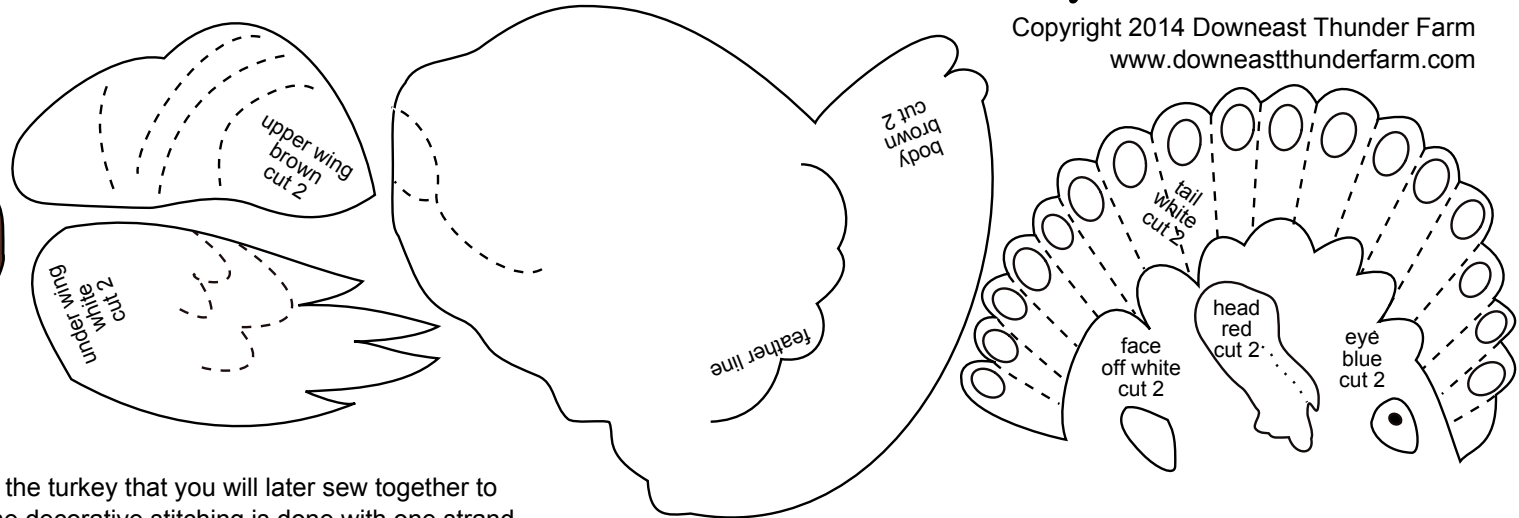
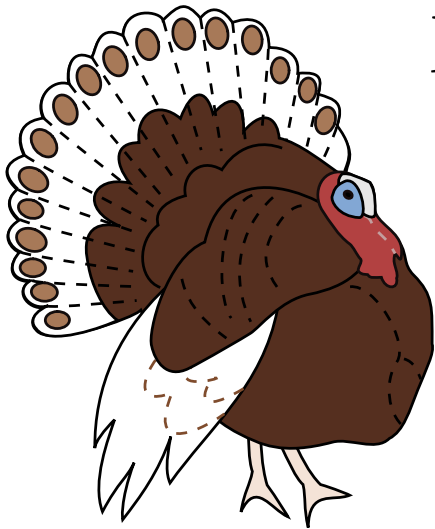


Downeast Thunder Farm Turkey

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For this pattern, create mirror images of the turkey that you will later sew together to make a double-sided bird. Note: All of the decorative stitching is done with one strand of brown embroidery floss unless otherwise noted.

On the body, add the "feather line" stitching with one strand of black embroidery floss. This defines where the tail feathers begin when you start to work on that section.

Tack the head into place. Layer the face and eye on the body. Add a French knot for the eye using two strands of black floss. This will hold the pieces in place. Make a small snip on the face where you see the dotted line to create the snood (that dangly thing on a male turkey's face).

Position the upper wing over the under wing; pin and add the decorative stitching. Align the tail feathers in place. They extend beyond the brown of the body, but the feathers at either side of the tail feather piece overlap the body to help align things. Add the decorative stitching that delineates the tail feathers.

Finishing off the feathers: There are different ways you can do this. I sewed a trio of small glass seed beads onto each "feather." Another option is to "paint" the feathers with a dab of brown eye shadow using a small eye shadow brush. Or you can cut small ovals of felt from a lighter brown and sew them on.

Create the turkeys legs with a length of wire doubled and twisted. For more detail on creating wire legs visit: <http://goo.gl/rTrPY9>

Pin the body front and back together and sew the edges together with a blanket stitch using two strands of floss, pausing to stuff with fiberbill before completing. Finally, go over the feather line stitching with brown floss, stitching through both body pieces. This will give it a bit of a quilted effect. Have Fun!

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