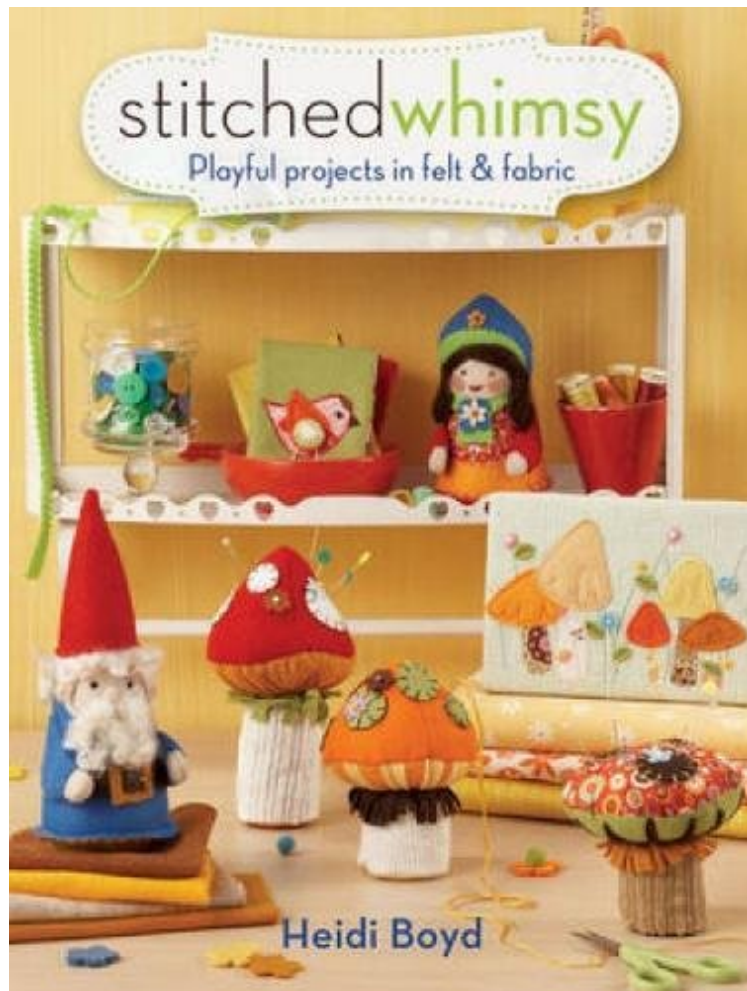


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Heidi Boyd : Stitched Whimsy: A Playful Pairing of Felt Fabric before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised *Stitched Whimsy: A Playful Pairing of Felt Fabric*:

24 of 24 people found the following review helpful. A mostly great book...By NancySI really want to give this book 5 stars because the projects are so appealing but I had some minor frustrations while following the instructions. First, I enlarged cut out all the pattern pieces in the template for the red cap mushroom. I gathered the items on the materials list and set to work. While following the sewing directions, I came across additional pieces that needed to be cut out that were not included with the pattern or itemized on the materials list. I found it distracting to stop sewing to measure cut additional pieces scattered throughout the directions. Two of these pieces were integral to the design, not just little decorative touches. These should have been included in the materials list or, even better, in the pattern. Next, the stem piece I cut according to the measurements was too big to fit around the specified 2" diameter circle. I had to trim over

an inch off to make it fit. Not a big deal with the mushroom, but a wrong measurement could be a major problem with a different project. Lastly, the author calls for paper pet bedding to be used as stuffing material but she does not specify which kind. When I went to the pet store there were crinkles, pellets and shredded paper bedding available. Each one is considerably different and yet I could see that any of them might conceivably work. Which one? In the end I got it all together and stuffed the mushroom with polyfill. I am really pleased with the result. I plan on making a few more things from this book because the minor errors and oversights are worth the results. I just want to offer some caution to beginning sewers or people who expect directions to be 100% and don't double check before diving in. I recommend that you carefully read through a project and check measurements before starting. That being said, this book is worth having. These projects are adorable. 11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. [palgalBy palgalI](#) was excited to get this book and it was really worth it. I loved the colorful illustrations and cute project ideas. The only thing that I thought would make this book better would be to make the how to instructions actual photos instead of drawings...sometimes the drawings are hard to follow. One last thing to note is that there is a bit more needle felting required of the projects than I thought so if you have never done this...it could be a little foreign. I am excited to get started! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great book! [By MI Traveler](#) Lots of fun ideas. Easy patterns to follow

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