

Little Green-Haired Lemming

A homemade plush sewing pattern, inspired by the look of your child's favourite figure

finished size ≈ 20 cm sitting • beginner-intermediate • hand or machine sewn

This is an ORIGINAL pattern I designed by studying the proportions, colours and silhouette of the doll in your photos — the round tan head and hands, the leaf-shaped green hair, the dark blue dress with white collar and cuffs, and the seated pose with the little feet peeking out. It is not a copy of the manufacturer's own pattern (that isn't public), so treat it as a close, from-scratch homage rather than an exact replica — but the shapes and colour-blocking are built to read the same way at a glance.

What's inside this document:

1. Materials & tools
2. Cutting list (how many of each piece, and from which fabric)
3. Step-by-step assembly instructions
4. Full-size pattern pieces, one per page, on a 1 cm grid

Printing the pattern pieces:

Print pages 4 onward at 100% / "actual size" — turn OFF "fit to page" or "shrink to fit" in your print dialog. Each page has a 1 cm grid printed behind the piece so you can check the scale came out right with a ruler before cutting. Seam allowance (0.7 cm, sometimes 0.5 cm for small pieces) is already included and shown as a dashed red line outside the solid black stitch line — cut along the dashed line, sew along the solid line.

1. Materials & Tools

Fabric (fat quarters are plenty for this size)

- Tan / beige minky, cuddle-fleece or stretch velour — head, hands, nose ($\approx 25 \times 35$ cm)
- Grass-green minky or fleece with a bit of body (holds the leaf shape) — hair ($\approx 25 \times 35$ cm)
- Royal / cobalt blue fleece, minky or felt — dress and sleeves ($\approx 25 \times 30$ cm)
- White felt — collar, cuffs, eye highlights (felt doesn't fray, so no hemming needed — a 20×20 cm sheet is fine)
- Small scraps of black felt — eyes

Notions

- Polyester toy stuffing (fiberfill) — one small bag
- Strong thread matching each fabric colour, plus black embroidery floss for eye details if wanted
- Fabric glue or a hot-glue gun (optional, speeds up felt appliqué and the collar)
- 2 small black safety eyes 8–10 mm as an alternative to felt eyes (only for children over 3 — otherwise embroider)

Tools

- Sewing machine (or needle for hand sewing — backstitch everything if by hand)
- Fabric scissors + small embroidery scissors
- Stuffing tool / chopstick, pins or fabric clips
- Fabric marker or tailor's chalk, ruler

Seam allowance: 0.7 cm on the body, base, dress and hair pieces; 0.5 cm on the small nose piece. It is already added to every printed pattern piece.

2. Cutting List

Piece	Fabric	Cut	Note
Body Side Panel	tan	2 (mirror image)	flip the pattern over for the 2nd piece
Body Base	tan	1	oval, closes the bottom so the doll sits flat
Arm	blue (+ felt for hand/cuff)	4	2 per arm, sewn in pairs
Dress Front	blue	1 on fold	place fold edge on the fabric fold
Dress Back	blue	1 on fold	place fold edge on the fabric fold
Sleeve Cuff Band	white felt	2	wraps the sleeve opening
Collar Petal	white felt	2	overlap the two petals at centre front
Hair Lobe	green	4	sewn side-to-side into a dome
Hair Stem	green	2	rolled into a tiny tube
Nose Cone	tan, on fold	1	folded + sewn into a small cone
Eye	black felt	2	≈ 1.6 cm circle, no pattern piece needed
Eye Highlight	white felt	2	≈ 0.4 cm dot

Layout tip: fold each fabric right-sides-together before cutting the mirrored / on-fold pieces — you'll cut two layers at once and they'll automatically come out as mirror images.

3. Assembly Steps

1 Sew the body

Pin the two Body Side Panels right sides together and stitch all the way around, leaving the whole bottom edge (the short straight edge between the front toe and back heel points) open.

Turn right-side out. This is your head + torso + folded-forward legs in one piece — the feet are the little points near the bottom front.

2 Attach the base

Pin the Body Base oval to the open bottom edge, right sides together, easing the fabric evenly around the curve (it's normal for the oval to seem slightly small — stretch it gently to fit).

Sew almost all the way around, leaving a 4–5 cm gap for stuffing.

3 Stuff & close

Turn right-side out through the gap, stuff firmly (extra-firm in the head so it holds its round shape), then ladder-stitch the gap closed.

4 Make the arms

For each arm: sew a small tan felt oval "hand" and a narrow white felt "cuff" strip onto the right side of one Arm piece near its lower end, as marked on the pattern (glue or straight-stitch them on).

Pin this to a plain second Arm piece, right sides together, and sew around the whole shape, leaving the flat top edge open.

Turn right-side out, stuff lightly (leave the last 1.5 cm unstuffed and flat), then whipstitch the open top edge closed onto the side of the body at shoulder height, angled slightly forward.

5 Make the nose

Fold the Nose Cone piece in half along its fold line, right sides together, and sew the long curved edge. Turn right-side out (a chopstick helps push the tip through).

Stuff it firmly, especially the tip, then run a gathering stitch around the open base edge, pull tight and knot.

Whipstitch the nose onto the centre of the face, roughly at the vertical midpoint of the head, so it projects outward.

6 Add the eyes

Position the two black felt eye circles on either side of the nose, near the top of the head area, and glue or blanket-stitch them on.

Add a tiny white felt highlight dot near the upper edge of each eye for the glossy look in the reference photos.

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Sew the hair

Sew the 4 Hair Lobe pieces together edge to edge along their long sides, right sides together, to form a ring, then sew the top points together at the centre — this makes a 4-lobed dome.

Run a gathering stitch around the open bottom edge of the dome and pull it snug so the dome fits over the crown of the head like a cap. Don't stuff it — the plush fabric will hold its own rounded shape; a small scrap of stuffing tucked in the very top just helps it keep its dome shape.

Fold each Hair Stem piece in half lengthwise, sew the long edge, turn, and tack the little tube upright at the back of the hair dome where the lobes meet.

Whipstitch the finished hair dome onto the head, covering the top and back and framing the face the way it does in your photos.

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Sew the dress

With right sides together, sew the Dress Front and Dress Back together at the shoulders and down the sleeve and side seams, leaving the neckline, sleeve ends and hem open.

Wrap a Sleeve Cuff Band around each sleeve opening, right side out, and topstitch or glue in place (felt doesn't need a hem).

Overlap the two Collar Petals slightly at centre front of the neckline and stitch or glue them in place around the neck opening.

Slip the finished dress onto the body over the head, easing the hands through the sleeve ends, and tack it invisibly at the shoulders and neckline so it stays put.

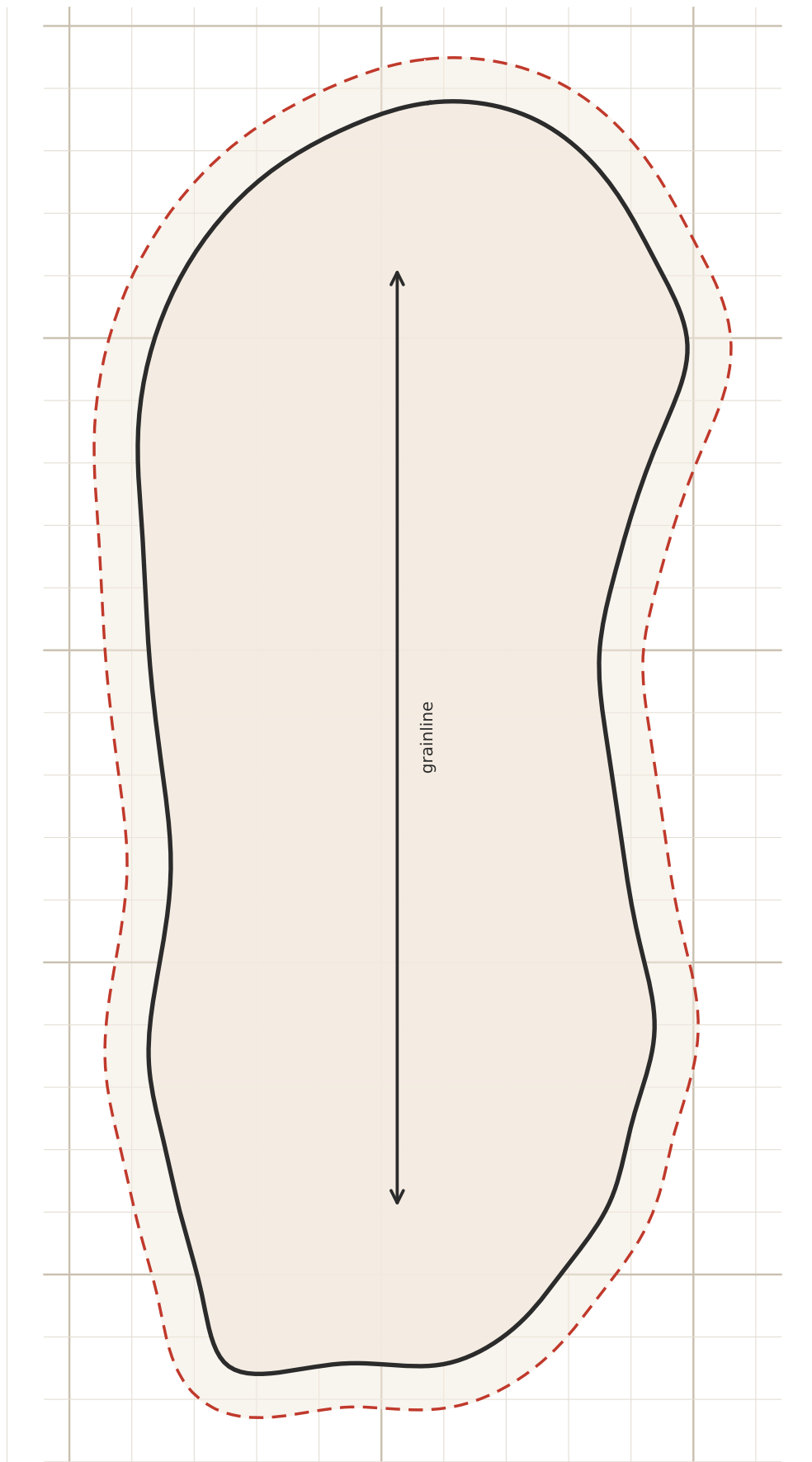
Body Side Panel

Cut 2, mirror image — tan fabric

Front of face/nose area is the bulge on the right of this outline.

The short flat-ish edge at the bottom is left OPEN and sewn to the Body Base.

Nose, eyes and hair are added later, once the body is stuffed.



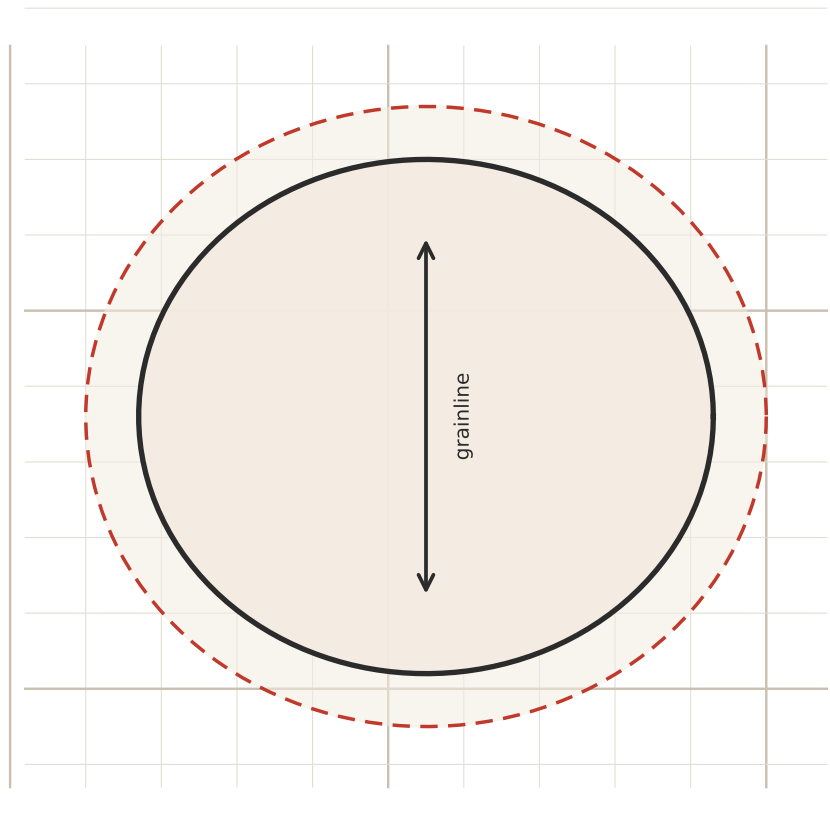
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Body Base

Cut 1 — tan fabric

Closes the bottom of the body so the doll can sit flat.

Pin to the open bottom edge of the two Body Side Panels, easing to fit, leaving a 4–5 cm gap for turning and stuffing.

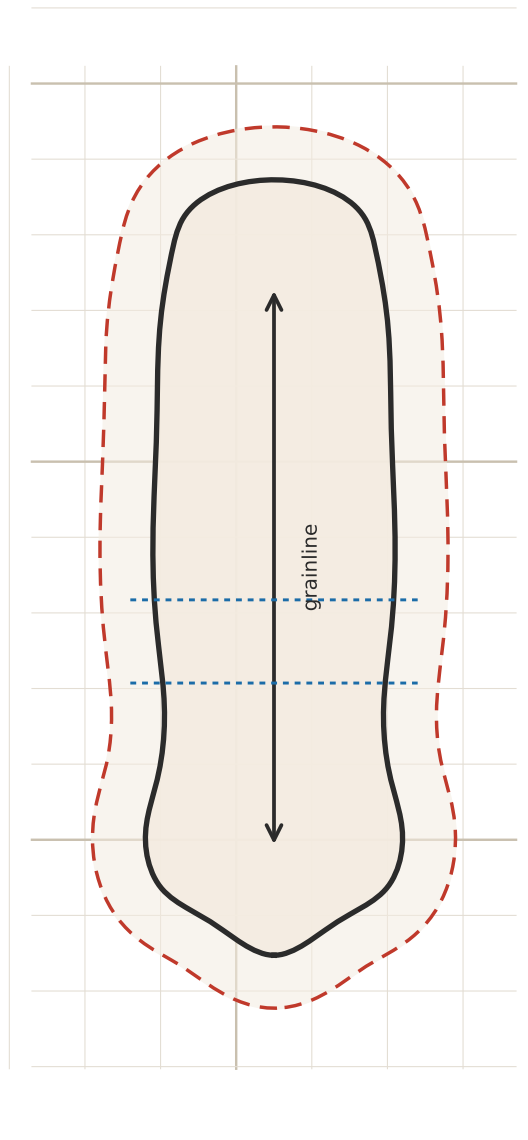


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Arm

Cut 4 total (2 per arm) — blue fabric

Before sewing the pair together: glue/stitch a small tan felt hand oval below the lower dashed line, and a narrow white felt cuff strip between the two dashed lines, onto the RIGHT side of one of the two pieces (this becomes the outer layer). The flat top edge stays open — turn, stuff lightly, and whipstitch it to the shoulder.



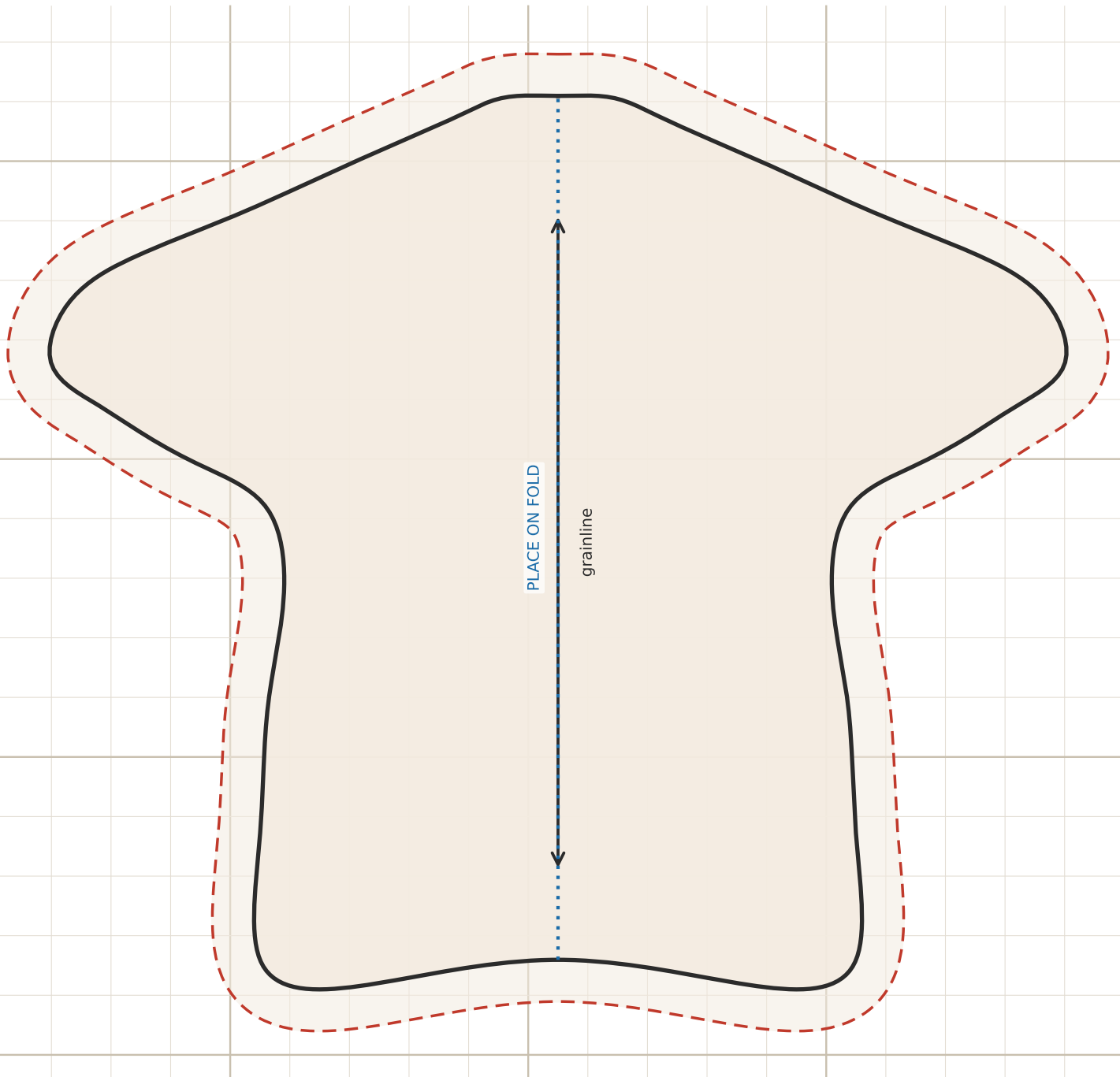
Dress Front

Cut 1 on fold — blue fabric

Place the centre (fold) line marked in blue on a fold of your fabric before cutting.

The pointed side extensions are the kimono-style sleeves.

Neckline (top centre) and both sleeve ends and the hem are left open/unsewn here.



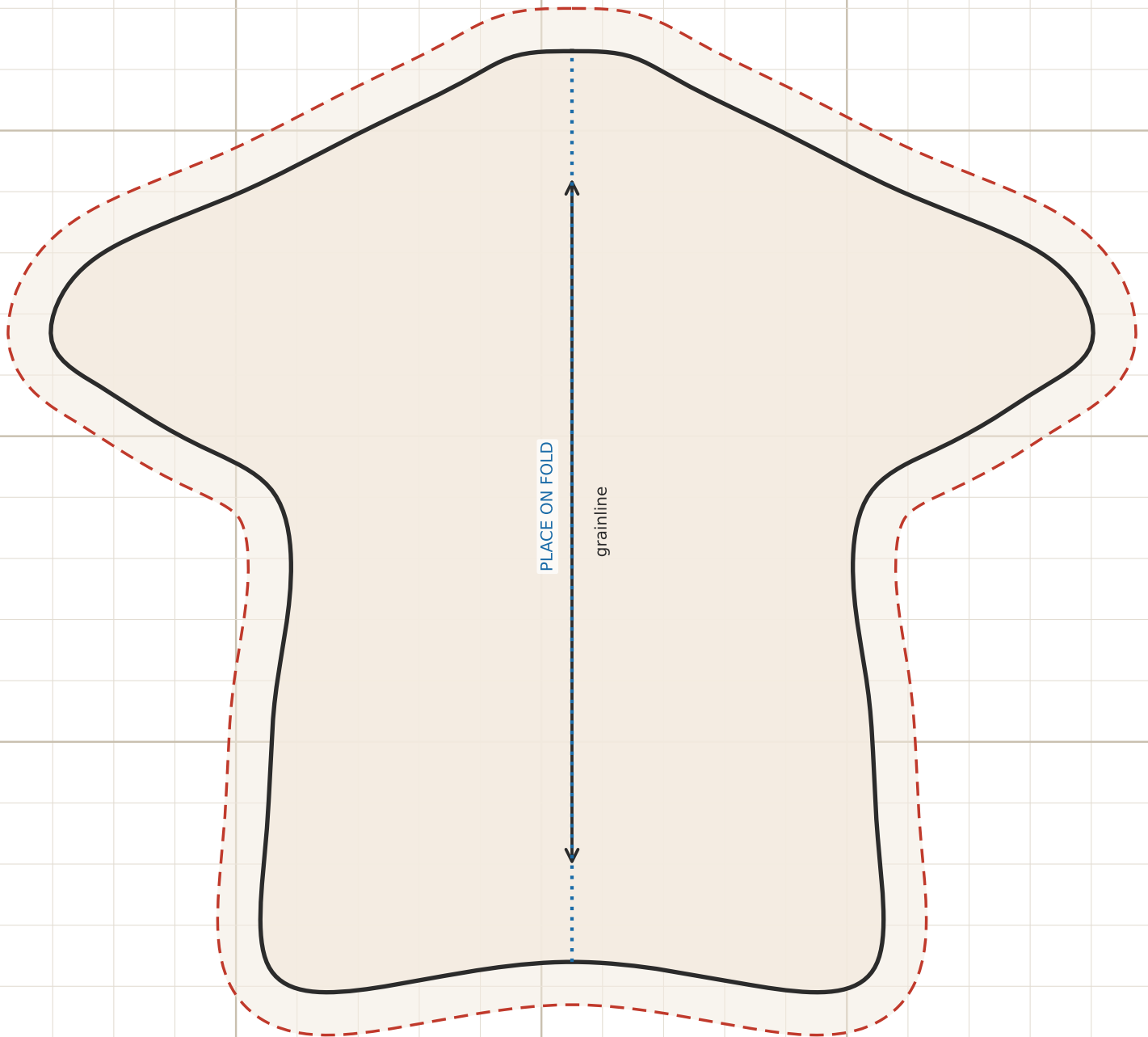
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Dress Back

Cut 1 on fold — blue fabric

Almost identical to the Dress Front, just a slightly higher neckline.

Sew Front to Back at both shoulders, down both sleeves, and down both sides, leaving neckline, sleeve ends and hem open.

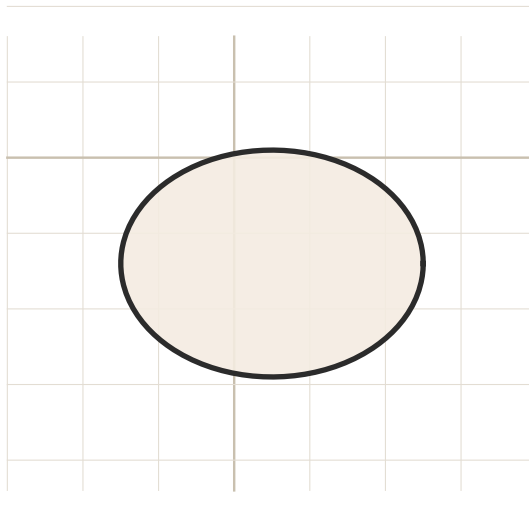


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Collar Petal

Cut 2 — white felt (no seam allowance needed, felt won't fray)

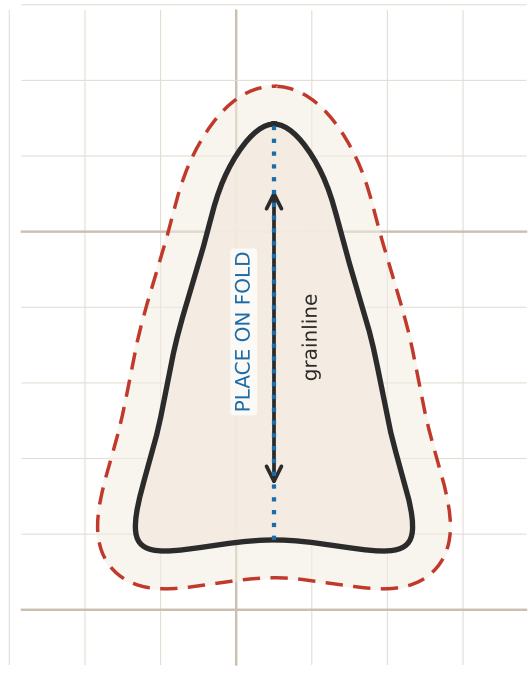
Overlap the two petals slightly at centre front of the neckline and stitch or glue them down around the neck opening after the dress is assembled.



Nose Cone

Cut 1 on fold — tan fabric

Fold on the marked line, sew the long curved open edge, turn right-side out, stuff firmly, gather the round base opening shut, and attach to the face.

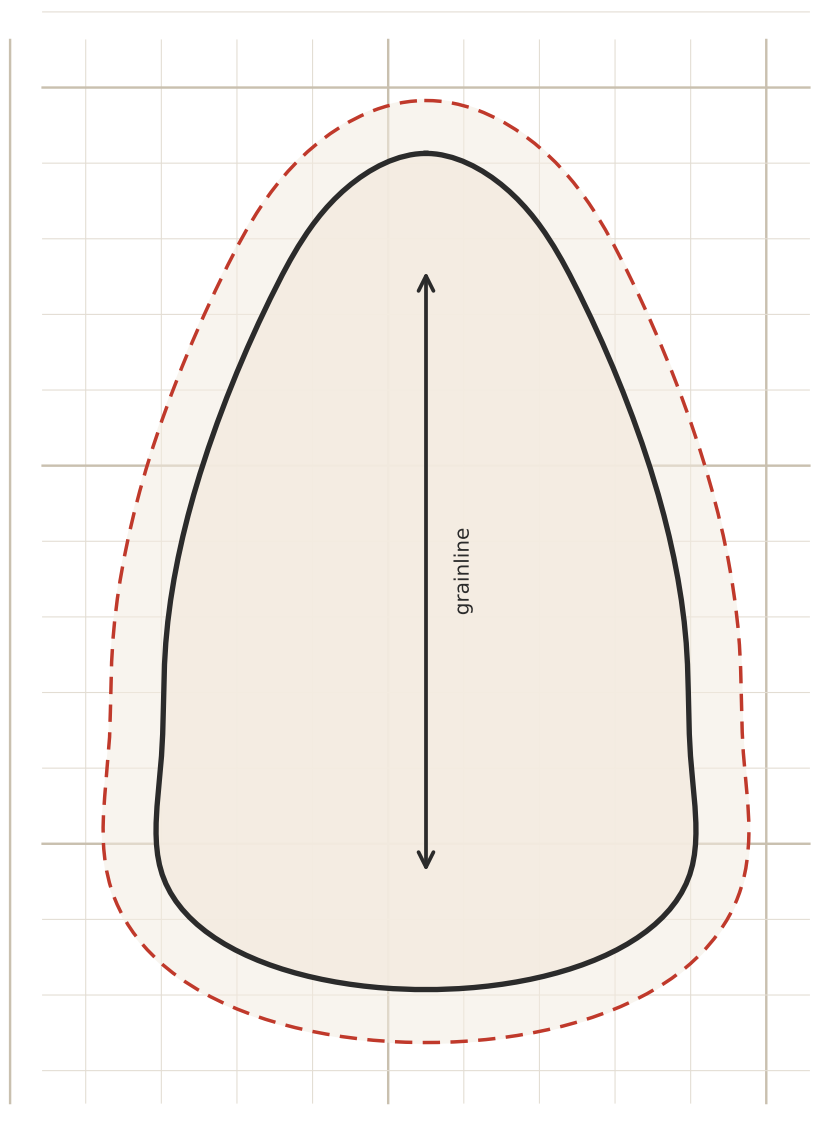


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Hair Lobe

Cut 4 — green fabric

Sew the 4 lobes edge-to-edge along their long sides to form a ring, then join the 4 tip points at the centre top to make a lobed dome.
Gather the open bottom edge to fit the head crown, then whipstitch the dome on.



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Hair Stem

Cut 2 — green fabric

Fold in half lengthwise, sew the long edge, turn right-side out (a large needle or thin chopstick helps), and tack upright at the back of the hair dome.

Eyes: cut 2 black felt circles ≈ 1.6 cm and 2 white felt dots ≈ 0.4 cm freehand — no pattern piece needed — and glue/blanket-stitch them either side of the nose.

