

# Fred

## Supplies:

- 1/3 Yard of Muslin
- Fade Away Marking Pen
- Doll Needle
- Glue and Hot Glue Gun
- Tracing and Transfer Paper
- Stylus & Chop stick
- Hemostat
- Instant Coffee
- 20 gauge wire
- 2 Tan Buttons, mismatched sizes
- Stuffing
- Scissors
- 220 Grit Sanding Block

## Americana Paints:

- Lamp Black, Barn Red,
- Burnt Orange, Burnt Umber
- Sponge Brushes

## Linen Thread:

- White, Black, Brown
- (found at [primitivecupboard.com](http://primitivecupboard.com))
- E\_cru Button Thread

Note: Many of the supplies needed for this and my other patterns will soon be offered on my site. Hopefully, in January. So you won't have to wonder around the web to find items listed on my supply list. Please check back for these items and patterns soon. Thank you for your business.



You can find more of my patterns at:

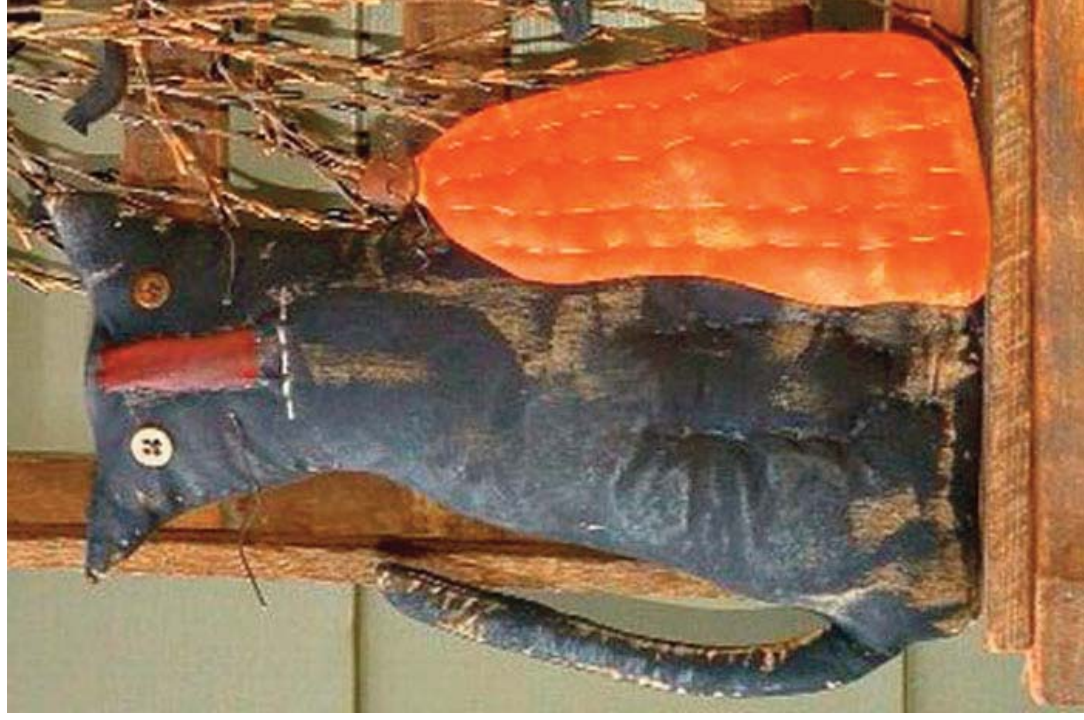
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Fred

# FRED the CAT

Approx. 14"

## Introduction

Hi! Thank you for purchasing Fred. He was great fun to create and I hope you will enjoy making him too! Please read all the instructions first. This will help you understand the process better. All pieces are sewn on traced lines, unless otherwise indicated. All pieces are coffee dyed unless otherwise indicated. I use linen thread It is more natural and primitive looking. You can use regular pearl or cross stitching thread, if you like.

## Body

Trace Fred's body and his pumpkin and sew on traced lines. Stitch all the way around both pieces. Make a slit on the back of Fred and the pumpkin, to turn right side out. Coffee dye both pieces (see below instructions). Stuff both firmly. Slip stitch both openings closed. Stitch Fred's legs with black linen thread where indicated on pattern.

## Coffee Dying

Coffee dye all the above fabrics in about 2 cups of very hot water. Scoop 6-8 tablespoons of instant coffee into mixture. Let all pieces soak overnight. Wring out next day. Then place in preheated oven at 200 degrees on lined cookie sheet. Turn every 10 minutes till dry. Tip: use an old manila folder (not a colored one, color could bleed onto fabrics) to line your cookie sheet. It will help to prevent scorching.

## Paintin' Time

Paint Fred black using a sponge brush. Do not thoroughly paint him. Leave the coffee dye exposed in some areas. This gives him an antique look. Do the same for the pumpkin except use burnt orange paint. Paint the stem burnt umber and Fred's nose barn red. Go back over Fred's nose with watered down black paint. Water down burnt umber paint and go over pumpkin as well. Sand randomly, both Fred and pumpkin. This gives it an antique look. Let all pieces dry.

### Finishing Up

Sew on mismatched buttons with brown linen thread for eyes. Sew a straight line of about 6 stitches with white linen thread for mouth. Stitch around Fred's nose and pull slightly, to puff it with black linen thread. Carefully, with a craft knife, poke a small hole on each side of nose where indicated. Take 6" of 20 gauge black wire and push through each hole. Wiggle wire on each side to give it a wiry kind of look. For the pumpkin, randomly stitch up and down several lines, with button thread to give the pumpkin ridges. Hot glue pumpkin to Fred's side. Make sure pumpkin is even with Fred's bottom, if you plan to set him on a shelf. Take about 4" of wire and wrap it around a pencil or skewer until it is completely wrapped. Pull off skewer, then wrap around once over the stem, just slightly twisting to secure. Tie a black string to the back of Fred's upper neck and you're done!

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I'd love to hear from you.

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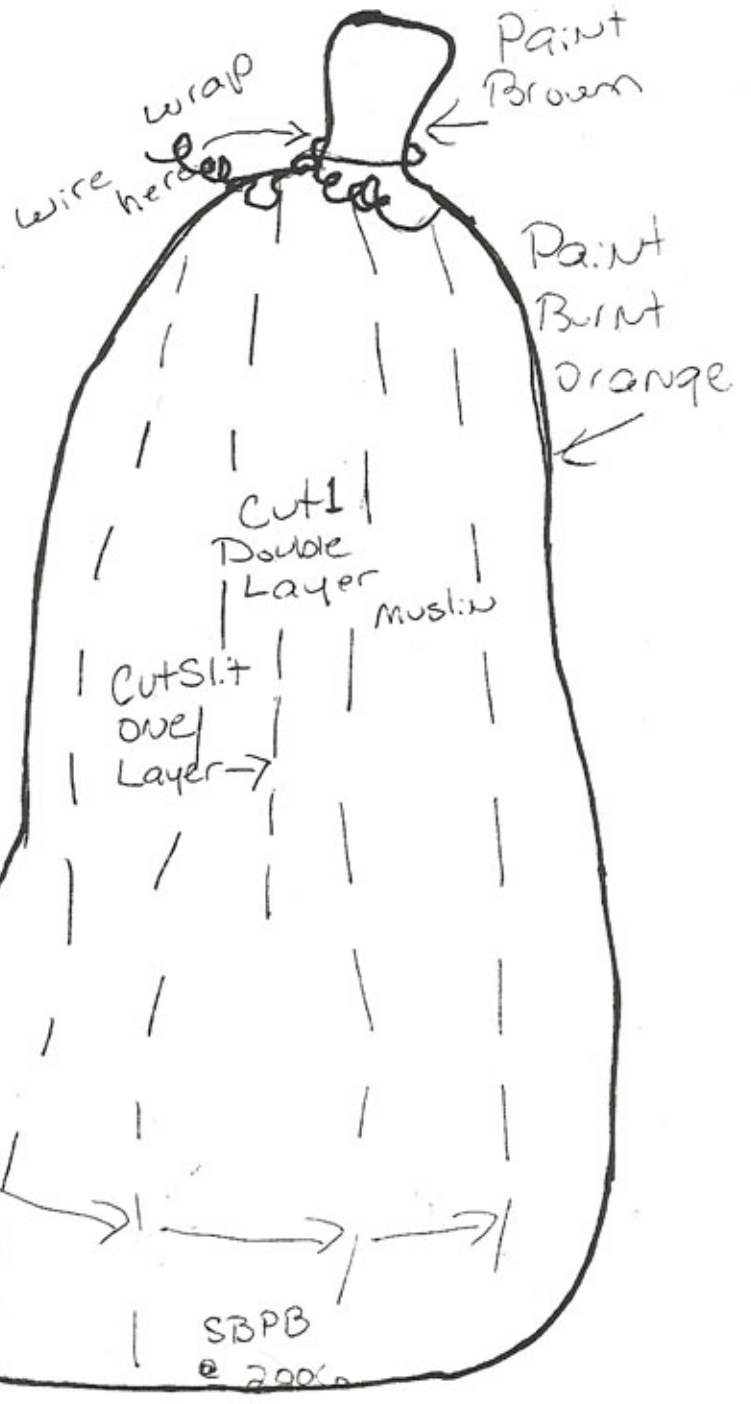
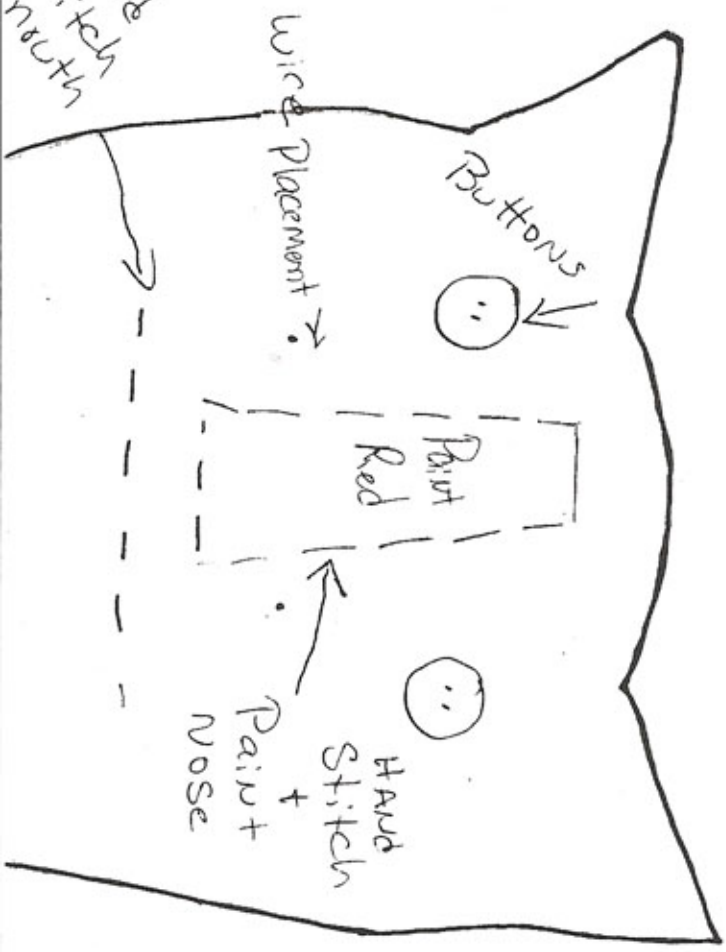
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THE CAT

Savvy by Prim  
Blossius

Pg. 1

Hand stitch  
mouth



PAINT Black + Sand

Cut slit  
Fred the cat  
1 Layer

Cut 1

Double layer  
muslin

Place  
Pumpkin  
Here

Hand Stitch  
Lines

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