

# How to make a... Christmas Stocking and Stars Jumper

## You will need:

- Jumper
- Basic sewing kit: scissors, needles, pins, threads, embroidery threads
- Iron
- Sewing machine (if you have one)
- Templates  
[loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers](http://loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers)
- Either pieces of felt in different colours, or pieces of coloured fabric and fusible web (a man-made fibre that melts when heated with an iron; it is used here to make fabric more solid so that it will not fray when cut)

To decorate the stocking and stars, a selection of the following:

- Beads, buttons, sequins, bells
- Ribbons, ric rac (flat narrow braid woven in zigzag form, used as a trimming) and pompoms
- Anything else suitably sparkly and festive

## Note:

If you are hand sewing, or you are a beginner to machine sewing, it is easier to use felt than fabric as it doesn't fray.

If you are using fabric, you will need to use fusible web  
[loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers](http://loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers)

If you want to re-use your jumper (without the decorations attached) after Christmas, do not machine sew the decorations to your jumper. Instead you should hand sew them onto your jumper to allow easy removal.



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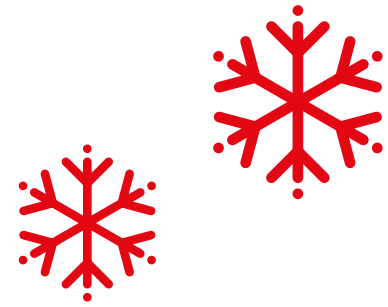


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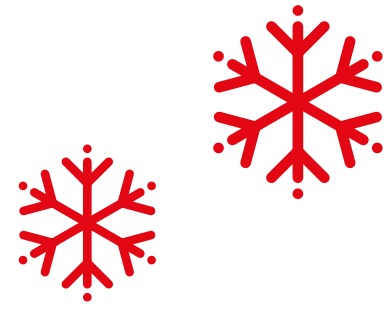
## Method:

- Cut out your star and stocking templates ([loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers](http://loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers)) and pin securely on to your festive coloured fabrics/felt. **(1)**
- Secure fusible web to fabric before pinning (if you are using it).
- Carefully cut around your template, cutting as close to the edge as you can. **(2)**
- Remove pins and paper template.

## Stocking

- Securely pin the stocking to your jumper. **(3)** (see note above about sewing on the stocking). If you are using a sewing machine, use a matching coloured thread and zig zag stitch close to the edge of the stocking all the way round. **(4)** If you are sewing by hand, use a running stitch close to the edge all the way round ([loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers](http://loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers))
- Hand sew some pompoms to the top edge of the stocking. **(5)**

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- Pin the top (fluffy white part) of the stocking in place, slightly overlapping the main part of the stocking that has already been attached. Stitch on using the same technique. (6)

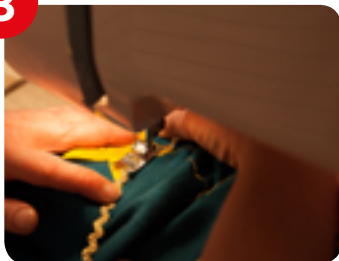
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- Add a ribbon at the top. (9)
- Use a button to hide your stitches if you wish.

## Stars

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- Pin your stars in place on your jumper. (7)  
If you are machine sewing, use matching thread and a straight stitch all the way round the star. If you are hand sewing, use a running stitch all the way round the star ([loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers](http://loveyourclothes.org.uk/12jumpers)).

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- Sew ric rac or ribbon around the edges of the stars to cover the raw edges. This can be done by confident machine sewers or by hand. (8)

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