



## Skill Level

Intermediate (basic quilting + appliqué + detail stitching)

## Materials Required

Denim fabric scraps in:

- Dark wash
- Medium wash
- Light wash

White cotton fabric (face and chest)

Black felt (nose and mouth)

2 black buttons (2–2.5 cm) for eyes

White and brown embroidery thread (muzzle detail)

Black thread (topstitching and outlines)

Sewing machine with denim needle

Hand sewing needle

Fabric scissors or rotary cutter

Pins or clips

Iron

Optional:

Interfacing (to stabilize small pieces)

Backing fabric (for quilt or panel)

## Seam Allowance

Use 0.5 cm to 0.6 cm seam allowance (or as included in template)

## Fabric Pieces Breakdown

### Head Section

Center head (1x) – white fabric

Ears (2x) – dark and medium denim (6.5 cm x 6.5 cm approx.)

Eye patches (2x) – dark denim shapes (5 cm x 5 cm approx.)

Upper face accents – light denim strips

## Facial Features

Muzzle (1x) – white rounded piece  
Nose (1x) – black felt (approx. 2 cm x 3 cm)  
Mouth – embroidered  
Eyes – buttons

## Body Section

Torso base – multiple denim rectangles and squares  
Pocket (optional) – approx. 7–9 cm denim piece  
Chest panel – light or medium denim

## Lower Section

Legs (2 sides) – mixed denim patches  
Paws (4 pieces) – medium denim (approx. 6.4 cm x 7.6 cm)  
Tail (1x) – curved denim strip

## Cutting Instructions

Trace all template shapes onto fabric  
Add seam allowance if not included  
Cut carefully to maintain shape accuracy  
Mirror pieces where necessary (left/right sides)  
Apply interfacing to small or delicate pieces if needed

## Step-by-Step Assembly

### Step 1: Prepare the Head

Position eye patches onto the white head base  
Topstitch or appliqué them in place

Attach ears:

- Sew ear pieces together if layered
- Attach to top of head, slightly angled outward

Sew or attach button eyes securely

Attach nose:

- Place black felt nose at center

- Stitch around edges or use tight zigzag stitch

Embroider mouth and facial lines beneath nose

## **Step 2: Muzzle Detailing**

Attach muzzle piece to lower face

Use white and brown thread to create texture:

- Short straight stitches
- Slightly irregular placement for fur effect

Do not over-tighten stitches to keep soft appearance

## **Step 3: Assemble the Body**

Lay out all denim patches before sewing

Balance dark and light tones visually

Sew patches into rows:

- Join small sections first
- Then connect rows together

Press seams lightly between steps

Attach optional pocket:

- Fold top edge
- Stitch onto body panel
- Add decorative stitching

## **Step 4: Join Head and Body**

Align head with top of body

Pin carefully to maintain symmetry

Sew slowly to avoid shifting

## **Step 5: Legs and Paws**

Assemble leg sections using patchwork pieces  
Attach to lower body

Add paw pieces:

- Position evenly
- Stitch securely

Add toe details using black thread (straight or curved stitches)

## **Step 6: Tail**

Sew tail piece  
Attach to side or slightly behind body  
Reinforce stitching for durability

## **Topstitching & Texture**

Use contrast thread (white or tan)  
Topstitch along seams for denim effect  
Leave edges slightly frayed for rustic look

Optional:  
Add extra stitching lines to mimic jean seams

## **Sewing Tips**

Use denim needle to avoid breakage  
Keep stitch length slightly longer for thick fabrics  
Backstitch at stress points (ears, tail, paws)  
Stitch close to edges for appliqué security  
Use clips instead of pins for thick layers

## **Finishing**

Trim excess threads  
Press lightly (avoid flattening texture)  
Check all seams for strength

If making a quilt block:  
Attach to backing fabric  
Add batting if needed  
Quilt around edges or details

## **Optional Uses**

- Quilt block centerpiece
- Wall hanging
- Decorative pillow
- Bag or jacket appliqué
- Children's room decoration

## **Customization Ideas**

- Add accessories (bow, scarf, hat)
- Use colored fabrics instead of denim
- Resize pattern for mini or oversized version
- Create a full animal quilt collection
- Add embroidered name or date for personalization

## **Tips for Best Results**

- Keep face symmetrical for best visual result
- Plan layout before sewing permanently
- Mix denim shades for depth and contrast
- Work slowly on facial features—they define the character
- Use strong thread for durability especially if used in quilts or bags