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Clatter Balls

These balls click softly when you roll them. You start with a plastic bell and enclose it in felt, finishing the whole thing off with heart-shaped stitching.

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Photograph on page 24.

Finished Size: 2 1/8" in diameter

Note: The procedure for making this item is shown in the photographs on page 51.

Materials

* Wool for the ball: Dark red, indigo, or green, 3/4 ounce
* Sheet of wool felt for the shapes: Pink, light blue, or lemon, a small amount
* One plastic bell: 1" in diameter
* Yarn for stitching: White, about 11 7/8"

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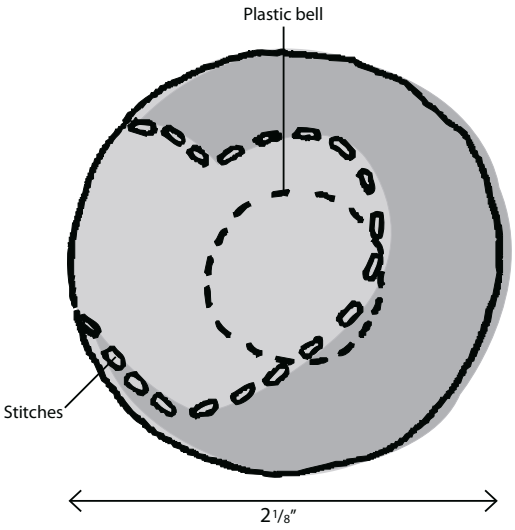
1. Create a template of the pattern found on page 89. Cut the felt sheet for the pattern into heart shapes.
2. Wrap the wool for the ball around the plastic bell little by little. Apply a little hot, soapy water, and work it in gently.
3. When the ball gets larger, place it in a plastic bag and roll and rub it in the palm of your hand to felt it to the size shown in the diagram.
4. Place the decorative heart on the ball, and work it in thoroughly.
5. Rinse and spin the ball, and then let it dry naturally.
6. Stitch around the heart with yarn.