Gingerbread Man Pattern

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Dark brown felt

White embroidery floss

Dark brown embroidery floss

Needle

Sharp scissors

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Scale

One Inch

Felt Gingerbread Man Directions

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Cut Out the Felt Pieces

Cut out two of the gingerbread body panels from brown felt.

Prepare Your Needle

Thread your needle with 2 strands of white embroidery floss (approx. 3 feet long). Line up both cut ends of the floss strands and tie an overhand knot to bind all four strand ends together. You will now have a needle that cannot slide off the floss, and a total of four strands of thickness when you pull through your fabric.

Stitch the Gingerbread Frosting Details

To begin, select one of the body panels to be the front of you gingerbread man. Stitch the gingerbread "frosting" details shown as dotted lines on the pattern. The frosting details include the zig-zag lines and mouth. You can choose to follow what I have done or make your own design.

Be sure to start and tie off all you strings on the back side of the panel so all your ends will be hidden in the final product.
I like to use a backstitch for the details on my felt patterns.

Finally, wrap your final stitch in a similar manner to complete the look on both ends. Tie off as needed.

Tie the Gingerbread Eyes and Buttons

Once you finish the frosting details, proceed to the eyes and buttons. Be sure to tie off your strings as needed. However, since the back panel will cover your mechanics, you may choose to jump from detail to detail without tying off and cutting the string in between.
Use french knots to add eyes and buttons to your gingerbread man.

Add the Back Body Panel

After all the embroidery detailing on the front body panel is complete, it is time to attach the back body panel. This second gingerbread piece helps provide structure, but most importantly it covers any knots and strings. Covering the mechanics gives us a nicely finished felt gingerbread man.

First, begin by lining up the two body panels with the "right sides" facing out. Use a single strand of brown embroidery floss to stitch around the entire perimeter of the gingerbread man. Finally, tie off as discreetly as possible and trim any excess string.