



To make a felt hat for a small doll:

1. Make a "bell shape" hat form with sculpey clay the size of the hat desired. Bake the form.
2. Cover the sculpey form with plastic wrap for easy release.
3. Cut a piece of **WOOL** felt an inch or so larger than needed to cover the form.
4. Wet the felt with hot water in a dish with a drop of dish detergent mixed in.
5. Center the wet felt at the top of the form and gently stretch it downward over the whole form. Manipulate the felt downward and stretch until all the wrinkles are removed.
6. Gather the excess felt at the bottom of the hat form with a rubber binder or gather the bulk with a needle and thread.



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7. Optional: If you want the felt hat stiff, I paint the wet felt with a little fabric stiffener.
8. Allow to dry and then cut the felt off the form in the shape of the hat desired. Decorate the hat!

