

Easter Eggs

These Easter eggs make charming decorations for any time of year. There are two sizes, large and small, both sewn the same way and ideal for quick Easter gifts. For these eggs we have used the Creating Memories fabrics in pretty Spring and Easter Pastels.

Materials (for one egg)

- Six fabrics for a large egg, each 2¹/₂in x 7in (6.5cm x 18cm) or six fabrics 2¹/₂in x 6in (6.5cm x 15cm) for a small egg
- Toy stuffing (fibrefill)
- Wooden stick for stuffing
- Thin jute twine or similar for a hanging loop

Finished size

Large: 5in (12.5cm) high approx. Small: 4in (10cm) high approx.

General Notes

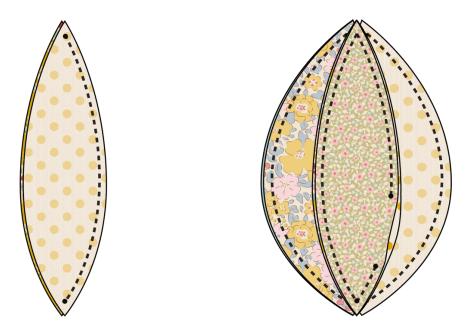
- Read all the project instructions through before you start.
- Use thick paper for copying patterns, ensuring the patterns are full size.
- On the patterns, the solid line is the sewing line. This allows you to add your own seam allowance.
- When sewing the seams, reduce your stitch length to 1.5mm–1.6mm.
- To get a good shape, cut snips in the seam allowance where a seam curves tightly inwards.
- After turning, pull the wooden stick along the inside of the seam to make sure you press out all the creases and folds before ironing.
- Stuff well, using a stick to fill small areas.
- Sew up gaps with matching thread and small slipstitches.

Making an Egg

1 Both sizes of egg are made the same way. Copy the pattern pieces onto thick paper and cut out the shapes. Using the six fabrics for the egg, trace one egg shape onto each fabric. Note that the bottom of the pattern is slightly wider than the top to create an egg shape. The patterns are marked with 'up' and 'down', so mark your fabric pieces too, perhaps with a dot to denote the 'up' position. Cut out the shapes adding a ¹/₄in (6mm) seam allowance before you cut.

2 Take two shapes and place them right sides together (**Fig A**). Sew a seam down the long, curved side, starting and stopping on the points of the marked shape (about $\frac{1}{2}$ in (1.3cm) away from the points of the fabric). Add the rest of the pieces in the same way, leaving a gap in the last seam for turning (**Fig B**). Turn through the right side, press and then stuff the egg. Sew up the opening.

Fig A

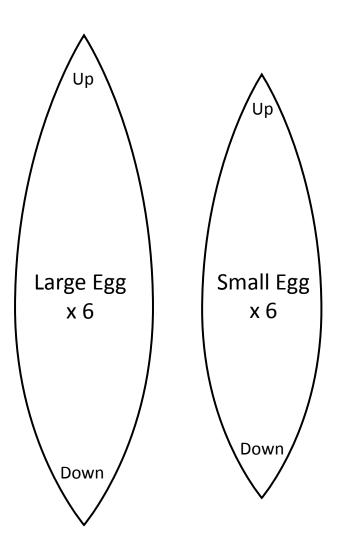


To add a hanging loop, fold the twine in half and tie a knot. Attach the twine to the egg by hand sewing back and forth through the knot and into the egg (**Fig** C).



Apple Patterns Full size

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