



Concertina Bells Decorations



Approx. finished size: 5" high by 4" diameter for large one

Requirements:

- 2 pieces of fabric approx. 1/4m each
- Heat n bond Lite (or similar)
- 1/4m narrow ribbon or similar to hang bell
- Beads and other embellishments (optional)
- Template plastic

Workshop Notes

- Using the template overleaf, make template from template plastic of the size of bell you want to make and mark the three points A, B and C
- Bond the wrong sides of the two fabrics together with Heat N Bond Lite.
- Mark the fabric with your favourite marking implement by drawing round the bell – you will need 8 shapes. Cut these out.
- Fold each shape in half vertically and iron to give a firm crease.
- With the pieces still folded, take 2 and line up points A and B.
- Trim off the nibs and sew together at these points (with co-ordinating thread) – you could sew a bead on to add interest.
- Add another piece, again stitching together at points A and B.
- Continue until all 8 pieces have been used, joining the last two together to form a complete bell-shaped circle.
- Now go back to point C and line this up with its mate to form a honeycomb design on the bell (i.e. not on the same seam line as points A and B). Cut off the nib and sew together as before. Continue round bell.
- Finally pinch the top of the bell together, sew well and add means of hanging plus any embellishments you would like.

Repeat on the bottom of the bell shape, again adding embellishments, such as tassels, long bugle beads etc.

