

# HAUNTED HOUSE PUMPKINS

A fun Halloween craft for beginners, with only a small amount of sewing to get you started working with Lewis & Irene fabrics. These instructions will guide you through making a pumpkin using our Haunted House border print, although it will work with any of our Haunted House range.



You will need:

- Needle and black thread
- 1 metre of Haunted House fabric
- Toy filling or similar (fabric scraps work well too)
- Brown string or yarn
- Brown felt
- Hot glue gun

Begin by ironing your fabric.

To start, cut the fabric into a rectangle. We have used 36" by 18" using this border print. Fold the fabric in half with the design on the inside. Sew along the seam. Turn back round the right way so the design is on the outside.



Sew along the bottom of the pumpkin using a gathering stitch. Go up and back through the fabric and pull the thread taut as you go so the fabric gathers together at the bottom. Once it has all gathered together, sew the bottom seam together at both ends.



Stuff your pumpkin with toy filling.



In the same way as the bottom of the pumpkin, sew along the top using a gathering stitch, pulling it taut as you go and sew the ends together.



Wrap the string around the pumpkin. Start at the top and tie as tight as possible at the bottom. Then go back to the top, about a third of the way round, and tie it tight again. Moving a third around again, take the string back to the bottom and knot in place.



Cut your felt to the desired size for the stalk. Roll together and stick the end down with the hot glue gun. Then glue to the top of your pumpkin.

