



## Felted Shapes (circles)

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Felting is a process that allows you to make a firm fray less fabric from wool and other suitable fibres (like Rabbit fur)

Watch this video for the technique: Wet Felted Poppy

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QoXeCsB\\_NWM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QoXeCsB_NWM)

You will need: (per student)

- Bubble wrap 2 pieces approximately 30 cm square
- Wool toppings (various colours)
- Rolling pin
- Squeeze bottle with hot soapy water
- Old towels

1. Lay out 1 sheet of bubble wrap on the towel, bubble side up.
2. Tease out small tufts of the topping and lay out on the bubble wrap in a circle shape, overlapping the ends in the centre. (may use more than 1 colour if desired)
3. Soak the wool circle with the hot water solution, by squeezing all over the shape.
4. Place the 2<sup>nd</sup> piece of bubble wrap, bumpy side down on top of wool and press down firmly with hands.
5. Use the rolling pin to roll evenly across the bubble wrap in alternative directions
6. Continue rolling for several minutes.
7. Check that the wool is starting to felt and gently draw edges into a circle shape overlapping the edge fibres into a circular shape
8. Cover with bubble wrap and continue to roll as before till wool has felted.
9. Rinse wool felt in warm water to remove the soap and allow to dry
10. Depending on size and density of wool, small sewing projects could be made from the wool felt.

