

# Felting

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"Felting" = Fulling

To add heat, water, agitation to piece to make it thicker, smaller, more dense

Animal hair

- Wool, alpaca, llama, angora, mohair
- Up to 20% silk
- Synthetic fiber added - not likely to felt very well
- NOT superwash

WHY?

- Stronger, more durable
- Warmer
- Use as fabric - cut and sew

Great for:

- bags
- slippers
- hats
- toys

To felt/full in washing machine

1. Hottest water
2. Very little soap
3. Pillowcase closed with rubber band
4. High agitation
5. Check frequently
6. Stretch, pull, stuff - whatever it takes
7. Let dry

Knitted/crocheted pieces shrink more lengthwise than widthwise (about 50%:30%)

White does not usually felt as quickly or easily as other colors

You control how much something felts - from slight to solid with no stitch definition

Embellish with needle felting