

# Ghost Halloween Treat Bag

This easy-to-make ghost will be ready to gobble up candy on your trick-or-treating adventure.

Crafter Level: Easy  
Time Needed: 30 minutes

## What you'll need

- Clean white pillowcase (we used a king-sized case for maximum treat-holding capability)
- 6" wood embroidery hoop for mouth opening
- White craft paint and paintbrush
- 1 pkg. fusible web
- Black fabric, about the same size as your pillowcase, plus two small scraps
- Fabric glue or low-temp hot glue gun and glue sticks
- Iron
- 2 yd. white twill tape
- Small, sharp scissors
- Safety pins (optional)



## How to make it

1. Separate the inner and outer embroidery hoops and paint both pieces white. Be sure all the sides of the inner hoop are completely covered with paint. Set aside and let dry.
2. Mark the inside back panel of the pillowcase with a small "X." Turn your pillowcase inside out and iron out all the wrinkles.
3. Trim your black fabric about 1-inch smaller on all sides than the pillowcase. Place the fusible webbing on the wrong side of the black fabric, and iron until set using the manufacturer's instructions. Peel away the paper backing.
4. Now center the black fabric, fusible-web-side down, on the pillowcase where the "X" was marked. Iron until set and let cool. Turn pillowcase right side out.
5. With the opening of the pillowcase toward you, and the right side of the black fabric inside of the pillowcase facing up, center your outer embroidery hoop inside the pillowcase where you want the mouth opening to be. Then place the inner hoop on top of the pillowcase and push it into the outer hoop so that the top layer of the pillowcase is taut inside the two hoops. See Diagram 1. Tighten hoop if necessary.

*Tip: When you are positioning the hoops for the mouth opening, keep in mind you want plenty of room at the bottom of the pillowcase for the candy.*

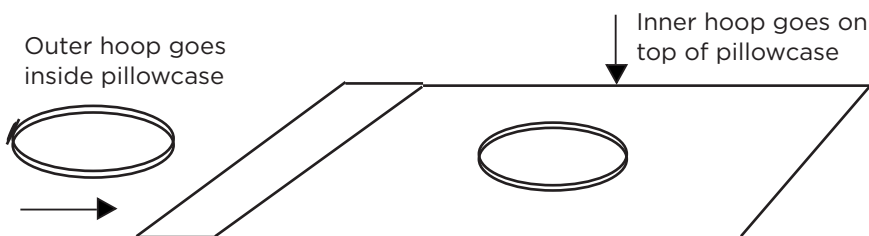
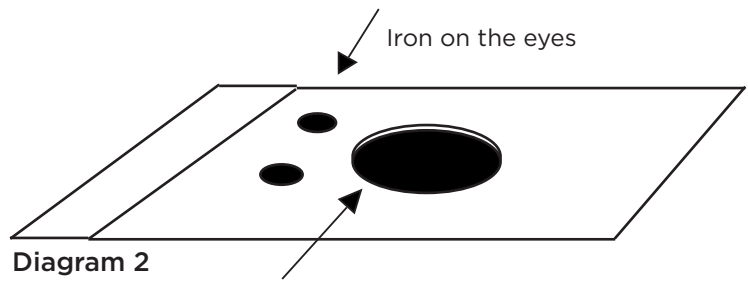


Diagram 1



- Now cut out two eyes (in whatever shape and size you want) from the remaining black fabric scraps. Iron another piece of fusible webbing to the back of each scrap, remove the backing, and place the scraps on the top of the pillowcase, between the mouth and the pillowcase top opening. Iron eyes in place until set and let cool. See Diagram 2.

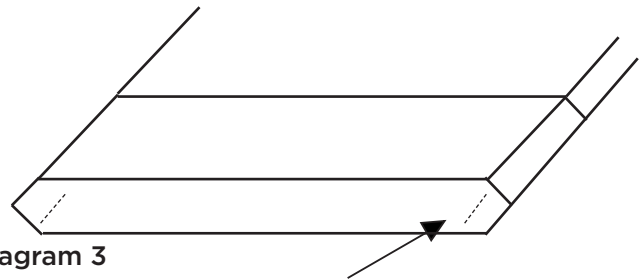


**Diagram 2**

Cut out the top layer of the pillowcase between the two hoops, being careful not to cut through the back of the pillowcase. The black fabric should now be seen through the mouth opening.

- Turn pillowcase inside out. *CAREFULLY* cut away the pillowcase fabric from inside the mouth, getting as close to the embroidery hoop as you can. Use a hot-glue gun or fabric glue around the edges of the hoop to secure them together and seal the raw edges of the fabric. Let dry.

- Turn pillowcase right side out. On the inside hem of the top of the pillowcase, cut four slits through the inside layer only, near the seams of the pillowcase. See Diagram 3.



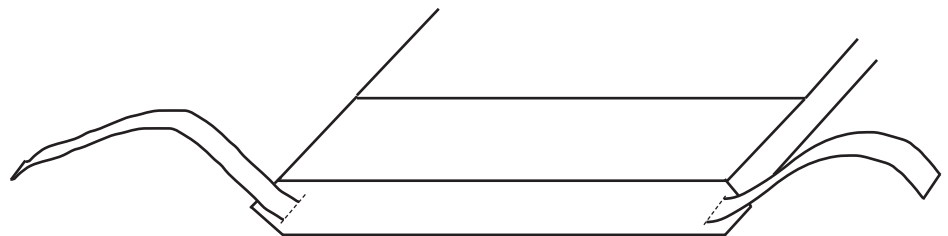
**Diagram 3**

Cut 1-in. slits into the inside layer of both the top and bottom of the pillowcase opening, near the sides. (Two cuts shown.)

- To make straps for carrying your ghost, thread twill tape through the slit on one end all the way across the pillowcase and out the slit at the other end. Use safety pins on the end of the twill tape to make threading easier (optional). See Diagram 4. Repeat with another piece of twill tape through the other two slits on the opposite side of the pillowcase.

- Secure the two ends of one piece of twill tape with a square knot, glue or safety pins, and pull the joined ends back through the inside of the hem so they don't show. Repeat for the other side.

- Now he's ready for some candy! Have fun feeding your ghost. But be sure to make him share.



**Diagram 4**