

Mittens E1730 Aitqatik (Caribou Skin Mittens)

A pair of mittens made of caribou hide. The pieces that form the palms and inner parts of the thumbs have had the hair removed. Strips of caribou hide are sewn around the cuffs and along horizontal seams where several pieces of hide are sewn together.







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Instruction

Suggested fabrics: caribou hide, fur, leather, heavy fleece, wool duffle Hand stitching is recommended. Use strong thread and overlap edges.

Using the pattern provided for a mitten for a left hand, cut two of each of the following pieces, one for the left hand and one for the right hand. The right hand pieces will be flipped when sewing that mitten:

A mittens back

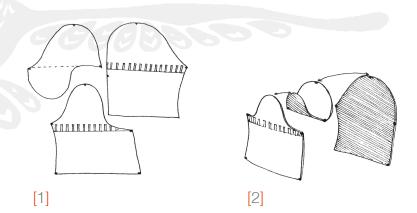
B mittens palm

C mittens wrist

D mittens loop

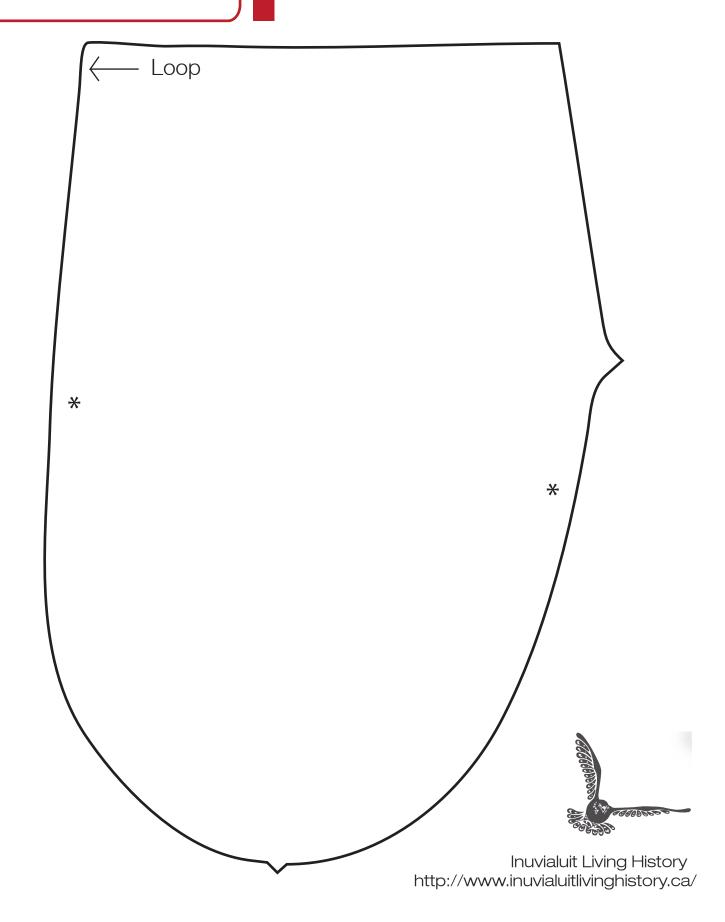
Construction

- 1. Using the points as guides, temporarily attach the upper parts of A-Back to B-Palm using a basting stitch along the edge between the *markings. This thread will be gathered, so leave the end of thread hanging.
- 2. Sew palm to wrist. If using fur or caribou hide with the hair left on, the hair should be on the inside of palm and on the outside of wrist. Sew close to the edges of fabric, easing the thumb of wrist to match the thumb of palm.
- 3. Pin loop in place at marking.
- 4. Sew the palm to the back. Match notches and ease the back to match the palm, spreading the basting evenly between markings. Stitch around the edge of mitten, close to the edges of fabric.
- 5. Decorate with fringes, tufts of contrasting fur, beads or embroidery.



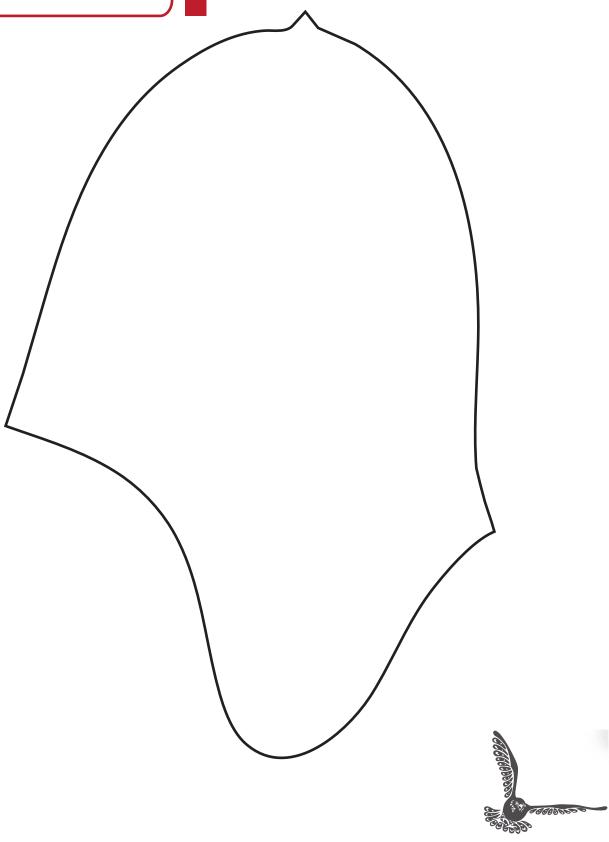


A - BACK



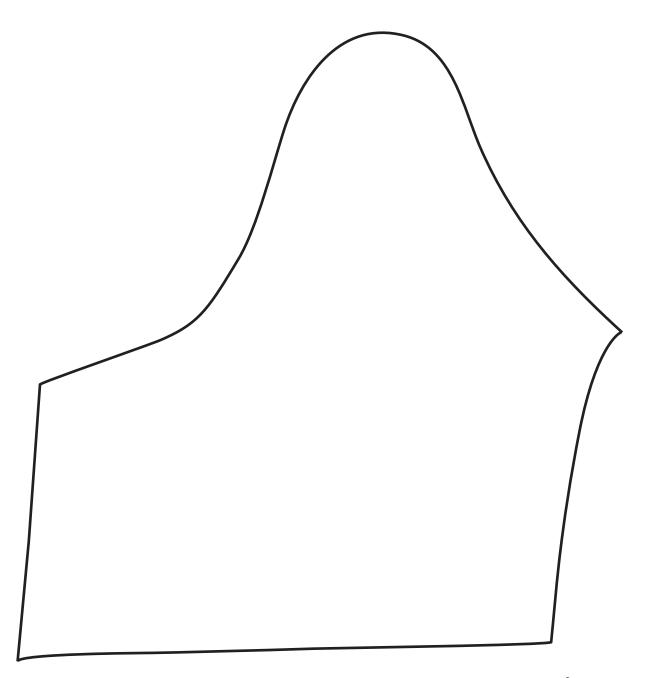


B - PALM





C - WRIST





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D - LOOP

