

# NEEDLE FELT INFO SHEET 1

Needle felting is the art of creating felt using a barbed needle to lock wool fibres together. This can be done directly onto fabric, motif fleece, felt sheet or polystyrene. By laying long fibre wool or synthetic fibres over the surface and repeatedly inserting the needle (to approximately 2.5cm depth) the fibres become matted, creating felt. This is called needling. The strength of the felt material depends on the intensity of your needling. To create a strong piece of felt, fibres should be laid in different directions.



## Needle Tool Assembly:

Take the needle tool and slide the rubber ring onto the shaft so that it sits in the groove around the top. Slide a needle down the centre of the shaft before pushing the handle nob over the top.



## Basic instructions for felting on to polystyrene:

Pull (don't cut) sections of wool fibre from the hank of wool. Tease out some fibres and lay them over the polystyrene. Needle the fibres to attach them to the surface. Keep adding sections of fibre until you have covered the polystyrene. Then add decoration & features on top of the base layer of wool.

The polystyrene animal projects are designed to teach the art of needle felting. The result is a decorative object, not a toy and is not suitable for children under 36 months.

## Warnings/Precautions:

Due to the fact that the felting technique uses sharp felting needles children or people with physical, sensory or mental disabilities should not use it unless they are supervised by a responsible adult. Wear personal protective equipment and always wear safety glasses. You should read the general instructions and safety instructions before using the products. Keep the instructions in a safe place or keep them to hand when in use. Failure to observe the instructions may lead to serious injury. These products are only intended for use by those specified and for the specified purpose. The information in these instructions describes the safety requirements for this product. We can assume no liability under the warranty for any damage caused by improper handling. Elements of the finished objects can be swallowed, they contain removable parts and are not suitable for children under 36 months. Keep out of reach of children under 36 months.