



PATTERNS

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**My Funky
Valentines**

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MATERIALS NEEDED - makes (8) plush hearts

- (4) assorted fat quarters

TOOLS & NOTIONS

- (1) Elmer's Craft Bond Extra-Strength Glue Stick*
- Fairfield 100% Polyester Fiber-Fill
- Embellishments (embroidery thread, buttons, lace, pom-pom trim, ric rac trim, etc.)

*You could also use HeatnBond Lite for a fusible applique method.

Fabric is *Ruby* by Bonnie & Camille for Moda Fabrics.



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BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Read all instructions. While all patterns undergo testing, there are occasional corrections/clarifications needed. Please check the “Pattern Corrections” section on my website for updates:
<https://blog.lellaboutique.com/pattern-corrections/>



HEART ASSEMBLY



- *Assume ¼" seam allowance
- *RST means right sides together
- *Press the seam toward the darker print

1. Heart Template Prep:
Print out pages 4-5. (Make sure your printer settings are set to print the actual size - i.e. do not “scale to fit.” Cut out both heart shapes. (You can mount on cardboard or template plastic if you want to make them more sturdy.)
2. Cutting:
Press each fat quarter. Carefully trace and cut (4) Large Hearts and (2) Small Hearts per print. Yields (16) Large Hearts and (8) Small Hearts in total.
3. Organizing:
Sort the (16) Large Hearts in (8) matching pairs. Choose a contrasting Small Heart for each pair and keep them organized together.

4. Layering:

Option 1: Apply the glue stick to the back side of (1) Small Heart. Place the Small Heart atop one if its designated Large Hearts, centering the Small Heart.

- OR -

Option 2: Trace the Small Heart pattern shape onto the GRITTY side of the HeatnBond (HnB) Lite. Cut out the shape and use an iron to fuse the gritty-side of the HnB Lite shape to the wrong-side of the Small Heart fabric. Remove the paper (the Small Heart now has a tacky-feeling back) and center the Small Heart atop one of its designated Large Hearts. Once it is placed to your liking, fuse in place with the iron.

- OR -

Option 3: There are not real rules here. Want to make the small heart into a pocket? Do it - just have fun!

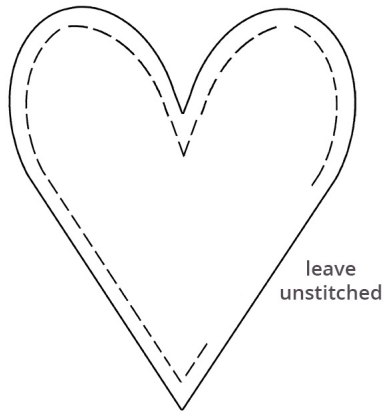




5. Top-Stitch
Stitch around the perimeter of the Small Heart. You can do it with your machine just inside the raw edge - or you can add a decorative stitch by hand.

6. Embellish
Add buttons, lace, pom-pom trim - anything you'd like! Just be mindful of the placement of any embellishment so it won't be caught directly in the seam when the Large Hearts are sewn together in the next step.

7. Sewing:
Bring the embellished Large Heart RST with its unembellished match, pinning in place. Sew around the perimeter, leaving a few inches of one side unstitched.



8. Stuffing:
Clip the seam around the perimeter before turning right-side out through the opening. Lightly fill each heart with the polyester fiber-fill stuffing.

9. Stitching:
Fold in the fabric edges at the opening (1/4") and use pins or binding clips to hold it closed. Using a needle and thread, stitch the opening closed used a ladder stitch.



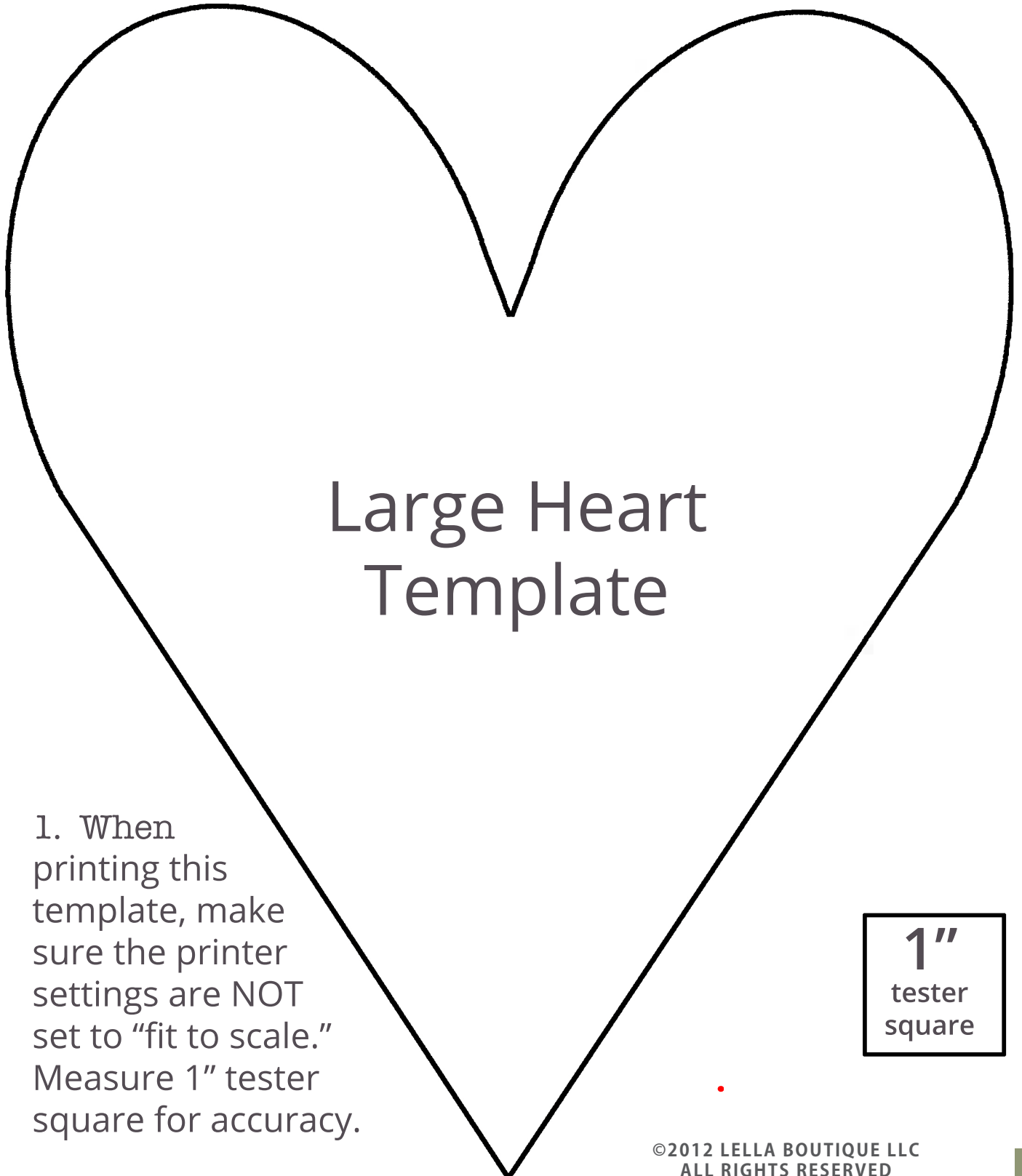
Display the hearts in a basket, garland, or give them away as valentines. We love hiding them around the house for everyone to find in surprising places.



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template



Large Heart Template

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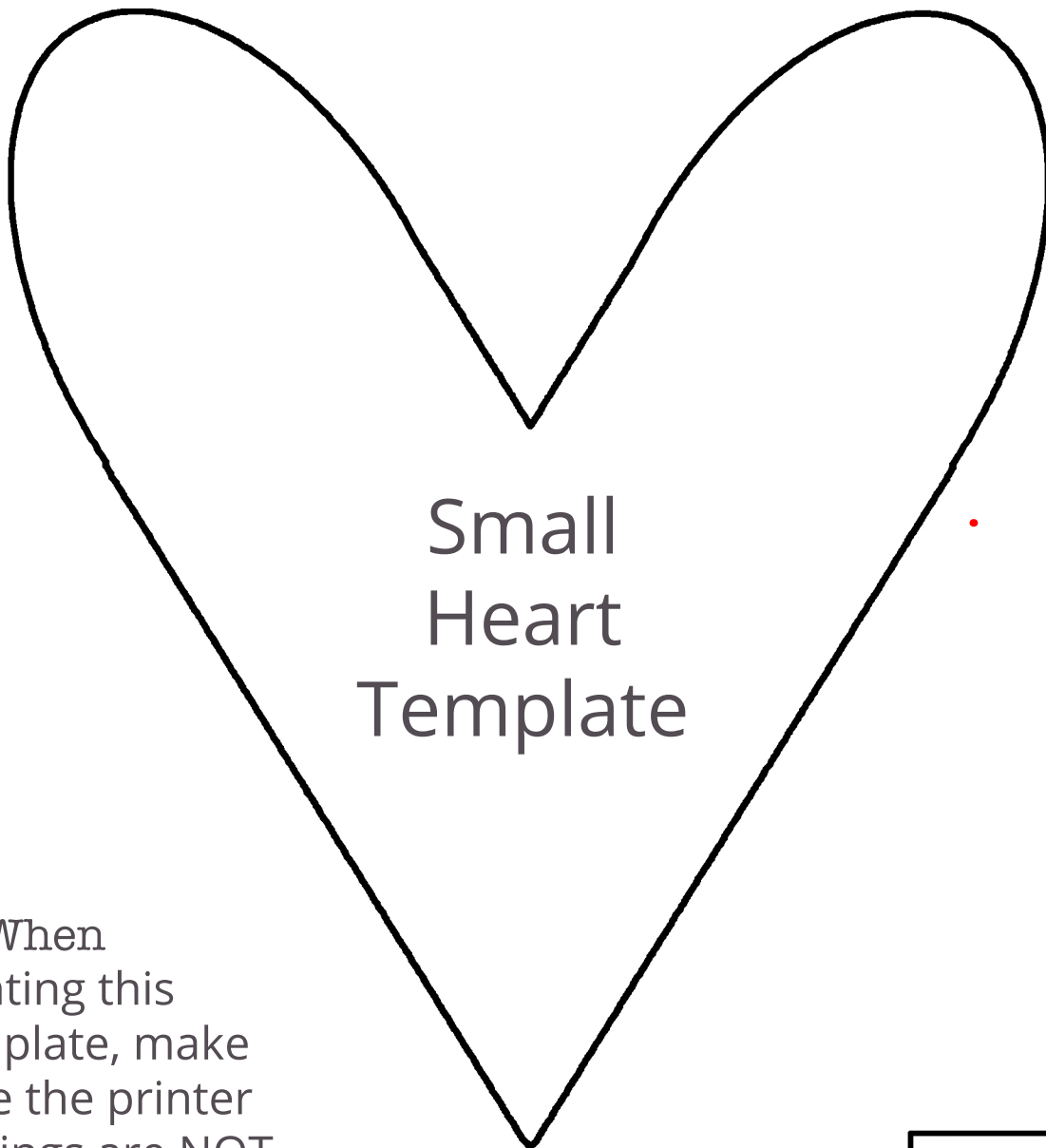




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Small
Heart
Template

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