Free Pattern by Cindy Markovcy © 2009 Homespun from the Heart

Supplies Needed:

Onasburg
Scraps of woolfelt, cinnamon, red and rust
DMC #400
28 gauge rusty wire, wire cutters
Needle nose pliers
Instant coffee, hot water
Thread and needle



Instructions:

For best results, print or copy your pattern pieces onto cardstock and cut out to make templates.

Using your template as a guide, cut 6 pieces from onasburg for the body. The easiest way to do this is to line up all your pieces side by side and think of them as being numbered 1-6 (from left to right).

Place piece #1 and #2 RST and stitch from the slash mark at the top to the bottom. Now open those two pieces and take piece #3 and stitch RST to piece #2 Continue with pieces 4,5,and 6 until you have sewn all pieces together (piece #6 is sewn to piece #1). Make sure you sew starting at the slash mark on EVERY piece, so when you are done you have an opening.

Now you have a deflated ball - turn RSO through the opening and stuff firmly.

Trace and sew the turkey head onto onasburg, leaving the bottom open. Cut 1/4 away from the sewn line, turn RSO and stuff firmly. Slip the neck into the body opening and whipstitch in place.

Cut 7 turkey feathers from woolfelt - I used cinnamon and rust orange - feel free to use bright or mixed colors, whatever appeals to you! Cut the turkey beard from red woolfelt.

Prepare your coffee mix: I used 1 cup of boiling water to 2 cups of instant coffee; you can dilute (for a lighter mix) or add coffee (for a darker mix). Paint everything with the coffee mix and let air dry - you can also bake in the oven or dry in front of a fan. Please use caution if oven-drying.

Arrange your turkey feathers on a table; I did 4 in the first layer then added 3 on top. Glue them together; when dry, whipstitch in place on the back of the turkey use the picture as a guide for placement. Stitch the turkey's beard in place. Use a pigma pen and dot 2 eyes (or you can stitch beads, etc. per your liking).

The legs are done with 18 gauge rusty wire; Cut a 14" piece and use needle nose pliers to bend the legs into shape. Poke 2 holes in the body of the turkey and use glue to adhere legs. All done!

