

Ocean Friends QUILT & THROW PATTERN



Dive in! Instructions included for two layout designs and sizes, Wonky Nine Patch blocks, and more than 15 unique appliqué patterns.

General Instructions

Fabrics -

- For best results, use good quality 100% cotton fabrics. Yardages given are based on 42" wide fabric.
- (If desired) pre-wash, dry, and iron fabrics before doing any cutting.

Before Cutting -

- Read all of the cutting directions first.
- Be sure to square up the fabric and remove selvages before cutting measurements.
- Cut the large squares, borders, and binding strips BEFORE cutting any appliqué pieces out of the fabrics.
- When making the Wonky Nine Patch blocks, use a very sharp blade in a large rotary cutter to make the cuts. Nine layers will be cut through at one time.

While Sewing -

- Use a ¼" seam for piecing blocks and finishing the quilt.
- Press seams toward darker fabric, except when directions indicate otherwise.
- Use neutral thread when piecing, and matching or contrasting thread with appliqué work.

Cutting

Wonky Nine Patch Blocks - A total of 18 large $12\frac{1}{2}$ " × $12\frac{1}{2}$ " squares are needed. (After sewing, the blocks will be trimmed down to $10\frac{1}{2}$ " × $10\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.)

- Cut TWO from the dark, solid orange.
- Cut TWO from the featured dark blue print.
- Cut ONE from the solid blue, and ONE from the medium gray
- Cut ONE from every fat quarter (12 total)

Appliqué Backgrounds - FIFTEEN $11\frac{1}{2}$ " × $11\frac{1}{2}$ " inch squares are needed. (They will be trimmed later.)

 Cut between FOUR to SIX squares out of each of the three light background fabrics, to equal 15 total.

Outer border and binding - From dark, solid orange -

- Cut SIX 3½" × width of fabric for outer border.
- Cut SEVEN 2½" x width of fabric for double fold binding.

Inner border - From dark, solid blue -

 Cut SIX 1½" x width of fabric for inner border.



Wonky Nine Patch Blocks

Two sets of 9 Wonky blocks each will be made, giving 18 blocks total. Since this pattern calls for only 15 Wonky blocks, there will be 3 extra to use in another project.

As a general rule, when making Wonky Nine Patch blocks, squares should be cut 2 full inches larger than the desired setting block size. These squares are cut at $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ ", and later trimmed to $10\frac{1}{2}$ " x $10\frac{1}{2}$ ".

- Referring to the fabric requirements and cutting directions, cut eighteen 12½" x 12½" squares.
 Note: there will be doubles of the two dominant fabrics.
- 2. Sort the squares into two 9-block stacks, mixing the fabrics as desired. Split up the doubled fabrics. Do not put two very similar fabrics right next to one another in a stack. ONE stack at a time will be cut and sewn.
- 3. Put one stack on the cutting mat, lining up the edges. Make ONE angled cut. Be sure the bottom edge of the cut is at least 1½" from the finished corner.



- 4. Now take the top piece from the narrow stack and put it at the bottom.
- 5. Using a ¼" seam, with right sides together, sew the top pieces from each stack together. Keep them in a chain until all nine are done. Note: if blocks are kept meticulously in the same order, every block will have all nine different fabrics. Otherwise, the blocks may end up with a few repeats. However, they'll still look scrappy.

- 6. Clip threads, open up seams, and iron, keeping them in the same order.
- 7. Stack and align the nine blocks on the mat. Make the 2nd angled cut.



- 8. This time take the top TWO pieces from the narrow stack, and put them at the bottom.
- 9. Sew together, like before. Then clip, open and press, keeping them in order.
- 10. Align blocks on mat, and rotate the stack a quarter turn to make the next cut.



- 11. Take the top THREE pieces from the narrow stack, and put them at bottom.
- 12. Sew, following the same procedure.
- Stack for the last time, keeping blocks as aligned as possible. Make the final angled cut.



- 14. This time take SIX from the narrow stack and move to the bottom. Sew, following the same procedure. Clip and press.
- 15. One block at a time, trim completed blocks to 10½" x 10½".
- 16. Repeat the whole process with the second stack of 9.



Appliqué Blocks - (Fusible directions)

Select 15 animal blocks. Choose the background fabric for each animal.

Hint: Flip a fabric over, and use the back of it for a lighter tone in the appliqué. (See finished quilt photo. Note Shark's light gray, and also three backgrounds are flipped.)

Note: be sure to follow the manufacturer's directions on time and temperature for use of the fusible product.

Follow these steps for each Animal Block -

- With a pencil or fine point pen, trace the pattern pieces onto the smooth, paper side of the fusible webbing. (The pattern pieces are reversed from the finished design so the finished animal will look like the picture.)
- Roughly cut around each pattern piece, leaving a small amount of paper beyond the drawn lines.
- 3. Place the rough side of webbing onto the wrong side of fabric. Fuse to fabric.
- 4. Using sharp scissors, cut out each piece on the drawn line. Remove paper backing. (Hint: use a pin to scrape a starting place for tearing.)
- 5. On the selected background square, assemble the animal pieces and fuse them.
- 6. For a pattern with many pieces (such as the otter), it is very helpful to use an appliqué pressing sheet. Place the animal pattern page on the pressing surface. Lay the pressing sheet over it. Follow the pattern to layer and assemble the animal, (fusible side down/right sides up) placing underneath pieces first.. Gently peel the appliqué off the pressing sheet and position it on the background block.

- 7. Give the whole animal block a good pressing on both front and back.
- 8. Repeat process for all blocks.

Machine appliqué of Animal Blocks -

Before starting, gather all thread colors. Fill the bobbins.

Use a marking pencil or temporary pen to mark any smiles or other details on the blocks.

Pin or baste appliqué stabilizer to the back of each animal block.

The machine appliqué process goes much more smoothly and quickly if thread color sets are stitched, grouping the blocks according to the thread needed next.

Before stitching, always test stitch length, style of zig zag (or other stitch) and width on a fabric scrap. (Hint: I make notes to remember my favorite settings for eyes, smiles, general outlining, etc. This saves a lot of time.)

- Taking note of the layering of the animal parts, group the blocks. Stitch the parts that are underneath other pieces first. (For example, Crab, Starfish and Lobster will all be stitched with the same dark red orange. Before changing threads, Stripe Fish's fins and face can be done ... and so on.)
- 2. For eyes and smiles, use a very narrow stitch. Stitch whites first, then darks.
- 3. Keep working blocks in color sets, until all parts of every animal block are stitched.
- 4. Carefully tear away stabilizer.
- 5. Trim animal blocks to 101/2" × 101/2".



Assembling the Quilt

Blocks into Rows

- Arrange the Wonky Nine Patch blocks and the Animal appliqué blocks, using the pattern photo as a reference. If desired, switch a few blocks around until the fabrics and colors are balanced all over the quilt top.
- 2. Using ¼" seams, sew the blocks in Row #1 (the first horizontal row) together. Press all the seams in the same direction.
- 3. Now sew the blocks of Row #2 together. This time press all the seams in the OPPOSITE direction. This will help "nest" or align the two rows' seams more accurately. (See Step 5.)
- 4. Continue sewing, row by row, each time alternating which way the seam is pressed.

Rows Together

- 5. With right sides together, and nesting the seams, pin Row #1 to Row #2. Sew. Press seam down toward the bottom of the quilt top.
- 6. Repeat this process, sewing all the remaining rows together and always pressing the seams toward the bottom of the quilt top.

Inner Border

- 7. With right sides together, sew two sets (of 2 strips each) together. Press the seams OPEN. These will be used for the sides. The two shorter strips will be used for the top and bottom borders.
- 8. Measure, cut and sew the long side borders first. Press seams outward. Then do the same for the shorter top and bottom borders.

Outer Border

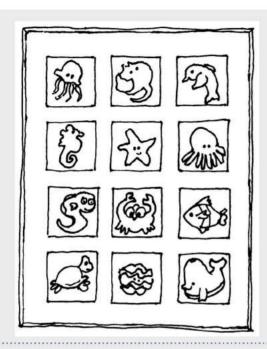
- Sew two sets (of 2 strips each) together.
 Press the seams OPEN. These will be used for the long sides.
- In the center of the quilt, measure the length of the quilt top, and cut the side borders to match. (Keep the portions cut off each strip for the next step.) Pin and sew the long side borders. Press seams outward.
- Sew the two leftover strip portions to the remaining border strips. Measure the width of the quilt at the center, and cut strips for the top and bottom borders. Pin and sew. Press seams outward.

Finishing the Quilt

- 4. Piece quilt backing.
- 5. Layer quilt top, batting and backing. Baste.
- 6. Quilt as desired.
- To make double-fold binding, sew all seven 2½" × width of fabric strips together. Fold and press. Sew to quilt edge. Finish by machine or hand sewing.



OCEAN FRIENDS - Crib (alternate setting)



Finished size - 42" × 54"

This quilt has sashing between 12 animal blocks and no Wonky Nine Patch blocks. (10" blocks, 2" sashing, 4" border)

IMPORTANT! Before beginning, please read all General Instructions on page 1.

Cutting Directions

Appliqué backgrounds - Cut a total of TWELVE 11½" × 11½" inch squares. (They will be trimmed later.)

Sashing and border - From solid print -

- Cut FIVE 2½" × width of fabric strips for sashing.
- Cut FIVE 4½" × width of fabric strips for border.

Binding - From solid print,

 Cut FIVE 2½" x width of fabric for double fold binding.

Animal Appliqué Blocks

Follow the instructions on page 3 to complete 12 animal blocks.

Assembling the Quilt

Blocks and Sashing - Arrange the animal blocks in desired 3 block × 4 block design.

- 1. Using sashing fabric, cut EIGHT 10½" × 2½" strips.
- 2. Starting with top row, sew blocks together, placing 10½" × 2½" strips between the blocks. Do NOT sew strips at the ends of each row. Press seams, following the "Blocks Into Rows" instructions on page 4.
- 3. Using remaining long sashing fabric, cut THREE 34½" × 2½" strips to place between the rows. Follow the "Rows Together" instructions on page 4.

Border

4. Refer to the "Outer Border" instructions on page 4. Use the FIVE 4½"× width of fabric strips to make border.

Finishing the Quilt

- 5. Piece quilt backing.
- 6. Layer quilt top, batting and backing. Baste.
- 7. Quilt as desired.
- To make double-fold binding, sew all five 2½" × width of fabric strips together. Fold and press. Sew to quilt edge. Finish by machine or hand sewing.



OCEAN FRIENDS® - This pattern contains directions to make Wonky Nine Patch blocks and fusible appliqué animals. (An alternate method of appliqué could be used.) Seventeen animal patterns are included. Choose your favorites and dive in!

Toddler/Youth Bed or Throw

Finished Size - 58" × 68" with 10" blocks Features 15 animals (Pictured on front)

Fabric Requirements

2 yards - Dark, solid orange (9 patch, outer border, and binding)

¾ yard - Dark, solid blue (9 patch and inner border)

34 yard each of THREE different light prints or solids - Appliqué background fabrics

½ yard - Featured dark blue print (#1) (9 patch and appliqué)

½ yard - Medium gray (9 patch and appliqué)

Backing - 31/3 yards for non-directional print, 41/2 yards for directional print

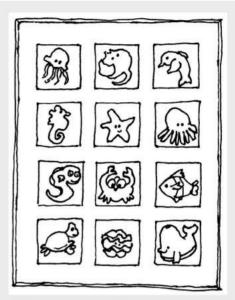
Fat quarters (9 patch and appliqué) -Dark blue print #2, Dark blue print #3 Dark orange prints #1, #2, #3 Lime green prints #1, #2, #3 Teal print #1, #2, #3 Multicolor print

Scraps (for eyes, tummies and misc. details) - 8" squares of white, black and very light gray

Other Supplies

Rotary cutter with very sharp blade, mat, ruler 2 yards of double fusible web (Wonder Under, Soft Fuse or similar)

Tear-away stabilizer for machine Appliqué
Appliqué pressing sheet (for ironing fusible web)
Pencil or fine point permanent pen
Thread (neutral for piecing, matching or
contrasting for machine appliqué)
Batting



Crib (Alternate setting)

Finished Size - 42" x 54" with 10" blocks Features 12 animals

Fabric Requirements

2 yards - Solid or feature fabric (for sashing, border, and binding)

1½ yards total of various lights - Appliqué background fabric

Fat quarters or scraps (including black and white for eyes) to make 12 animal appliqués

Backing - 3 yards for non-directional print

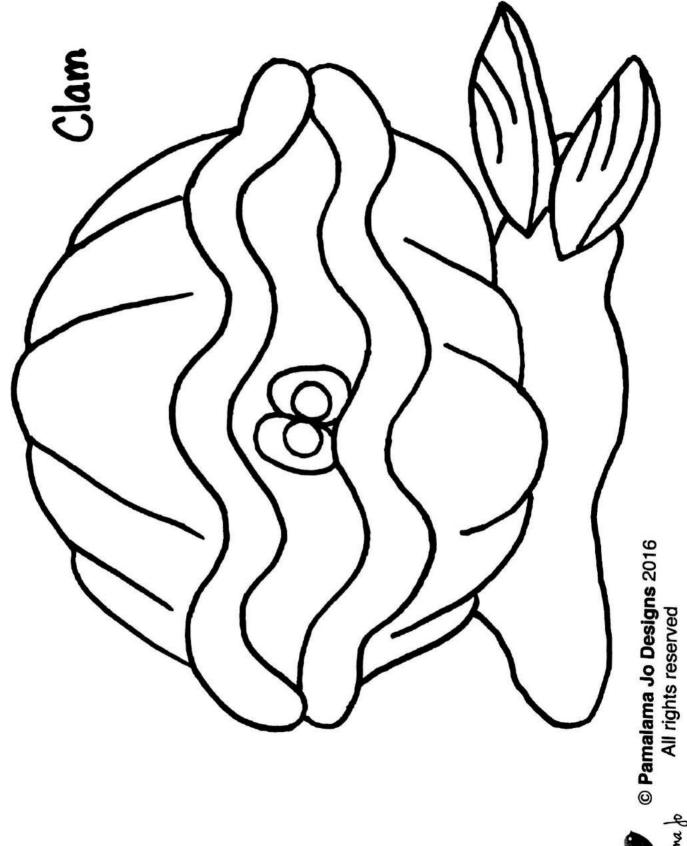
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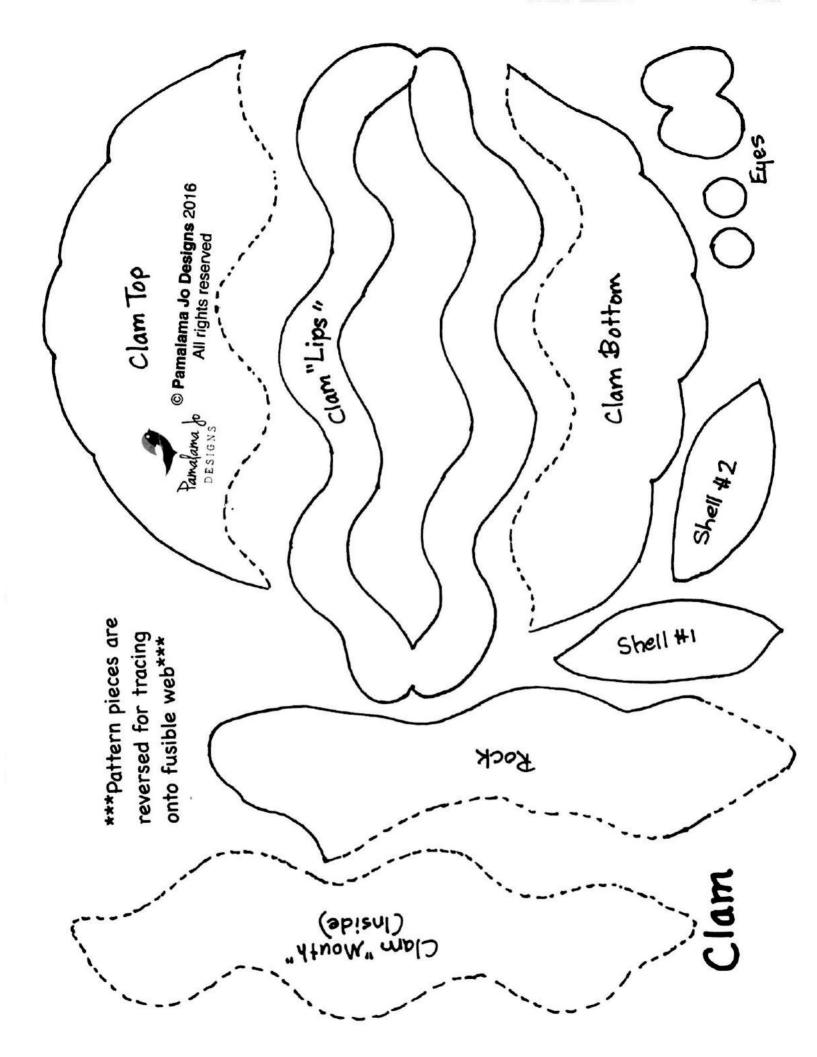
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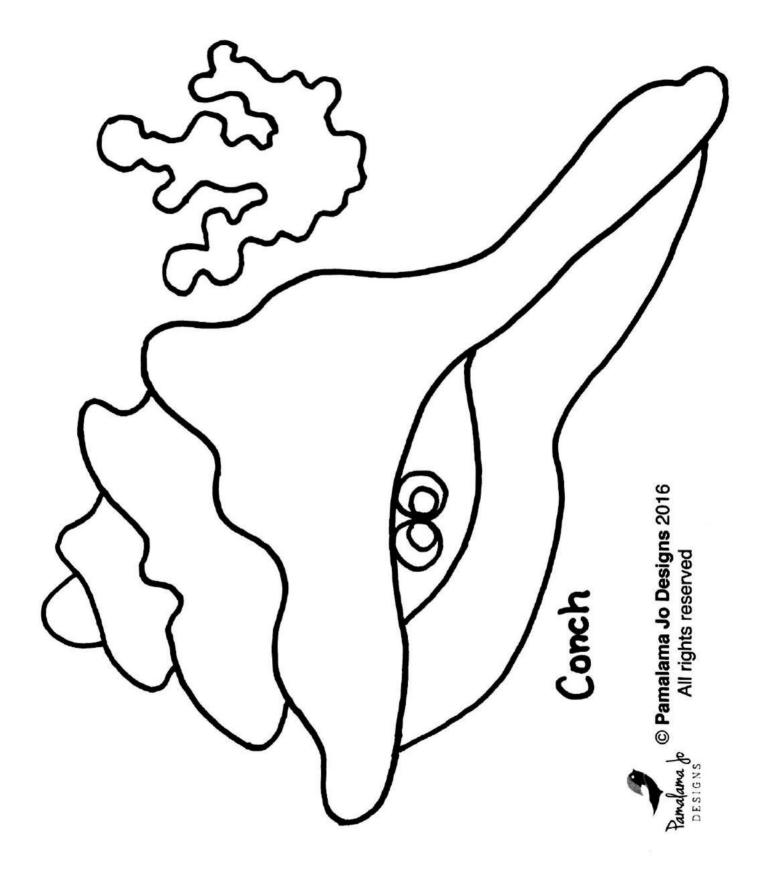


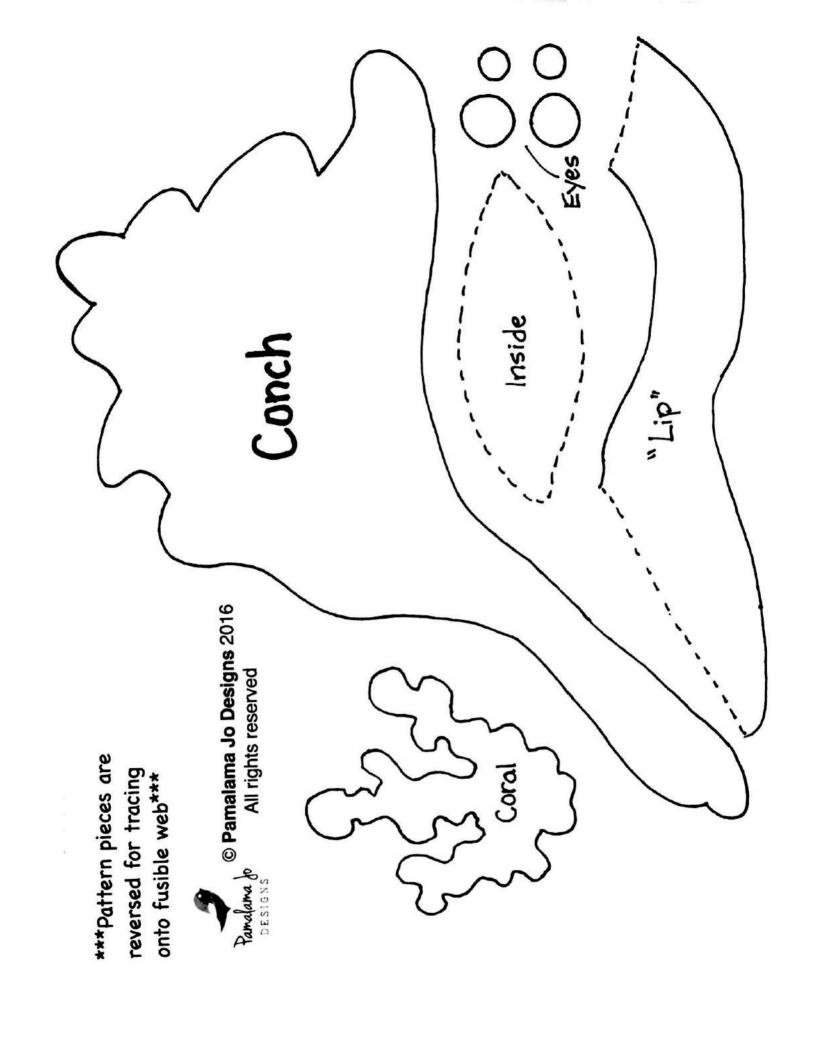
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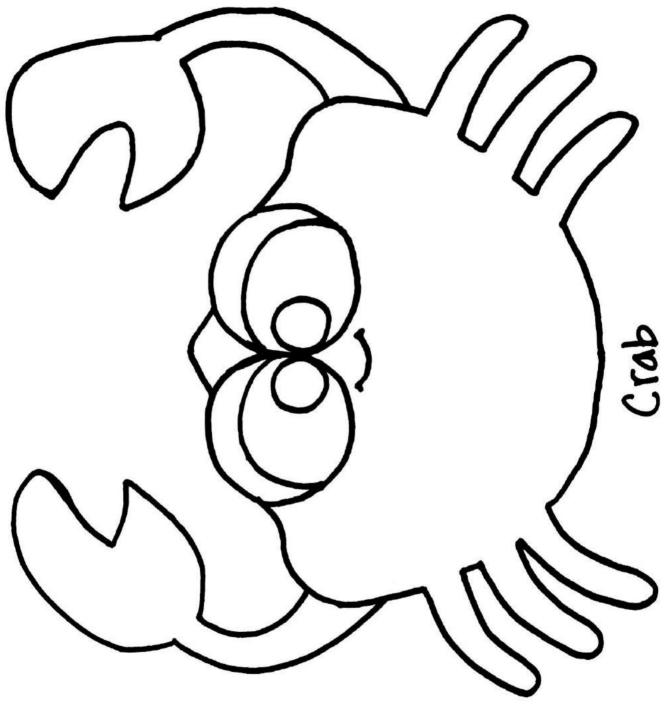


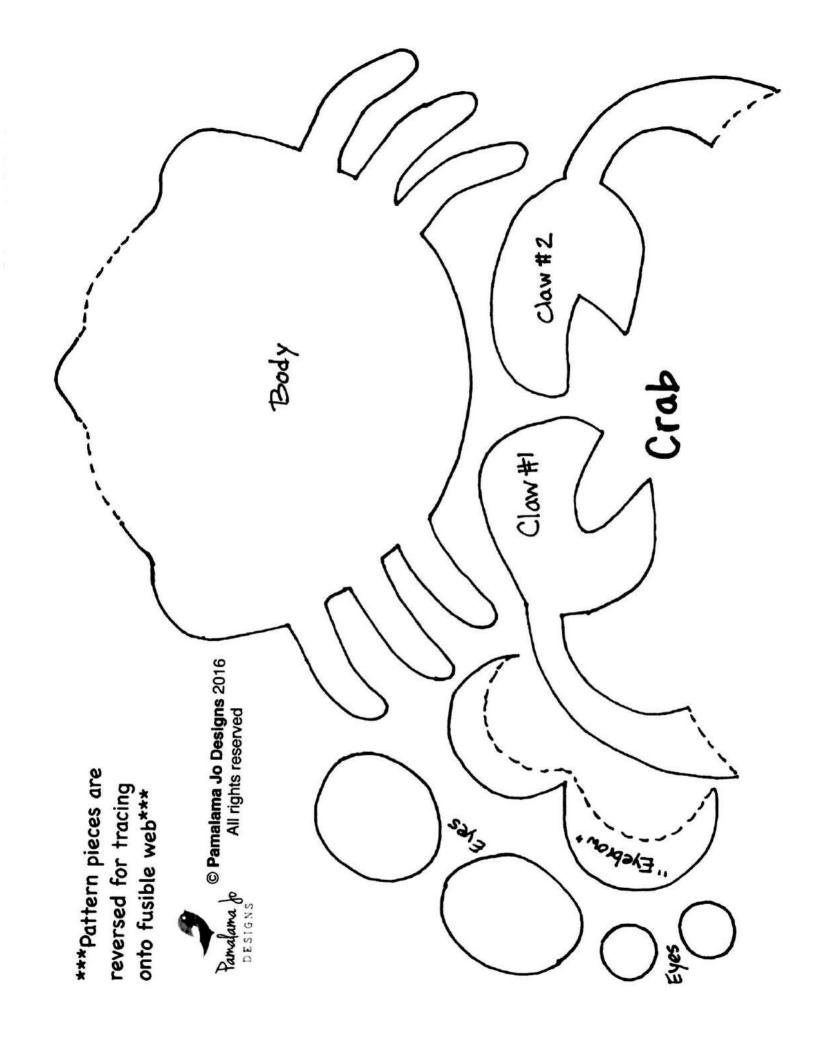


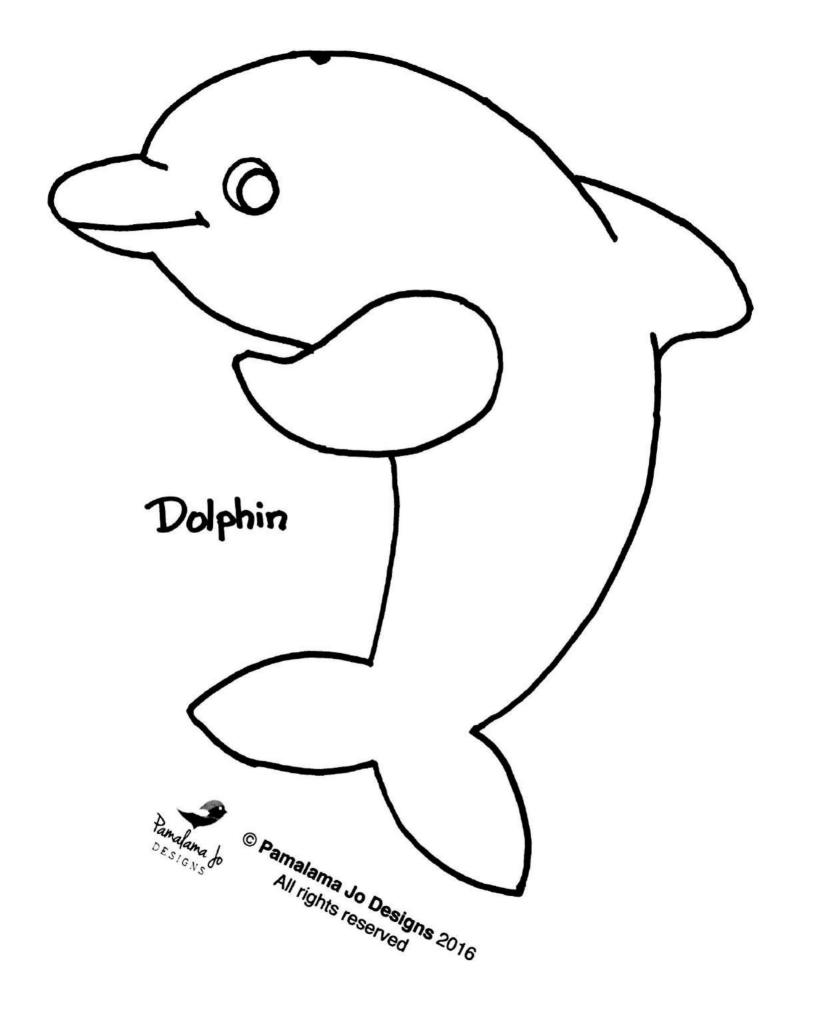


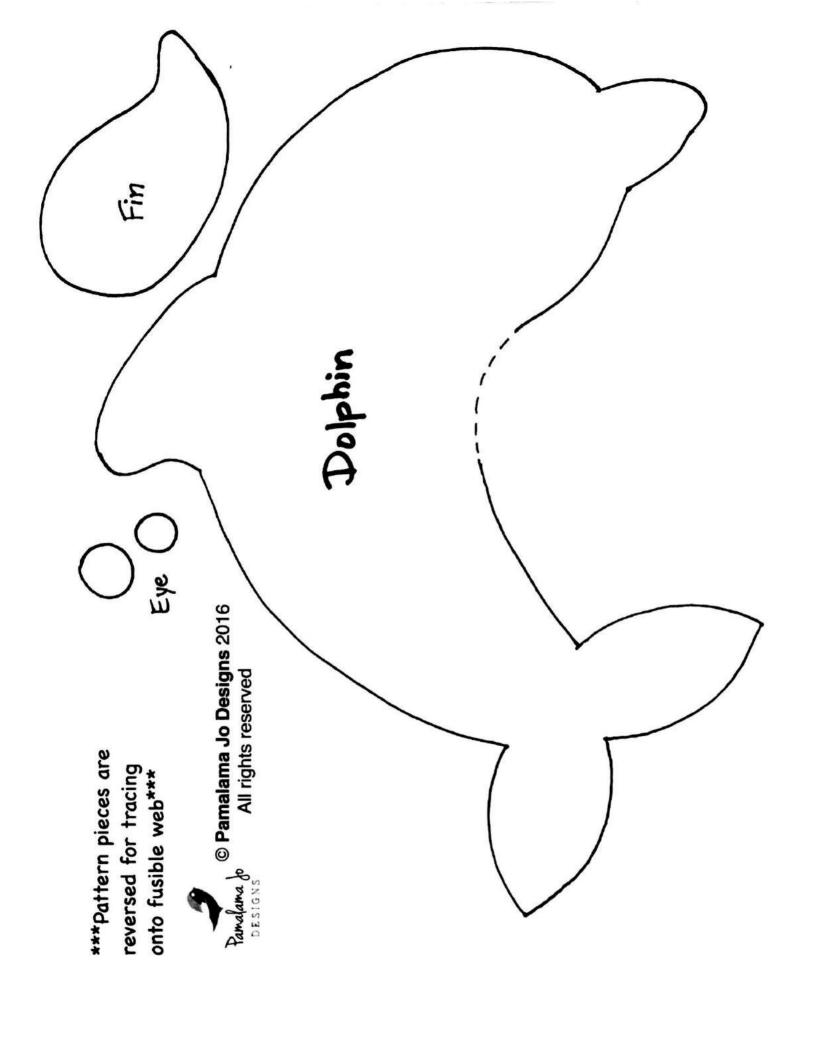


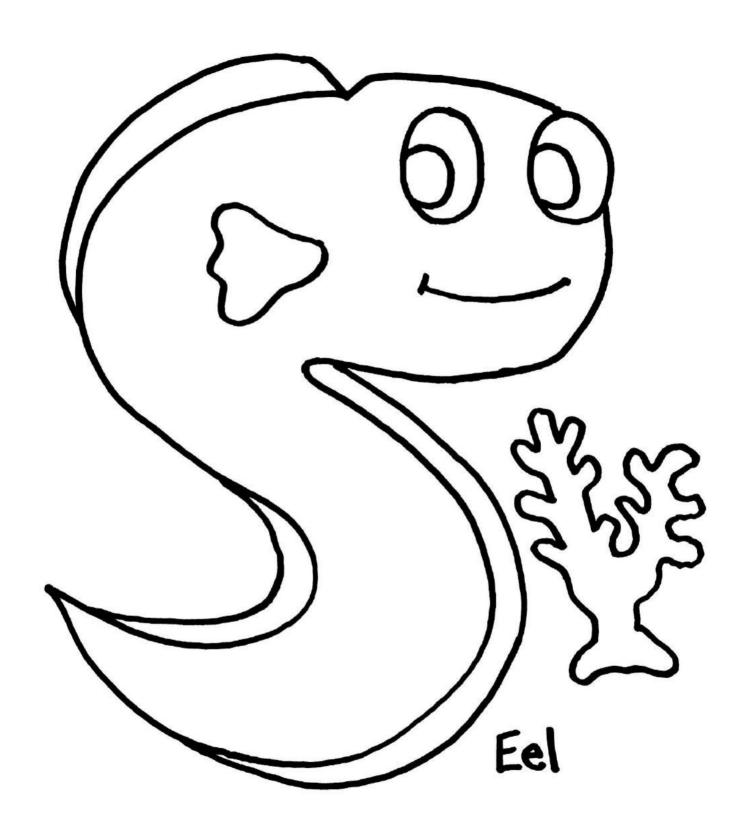
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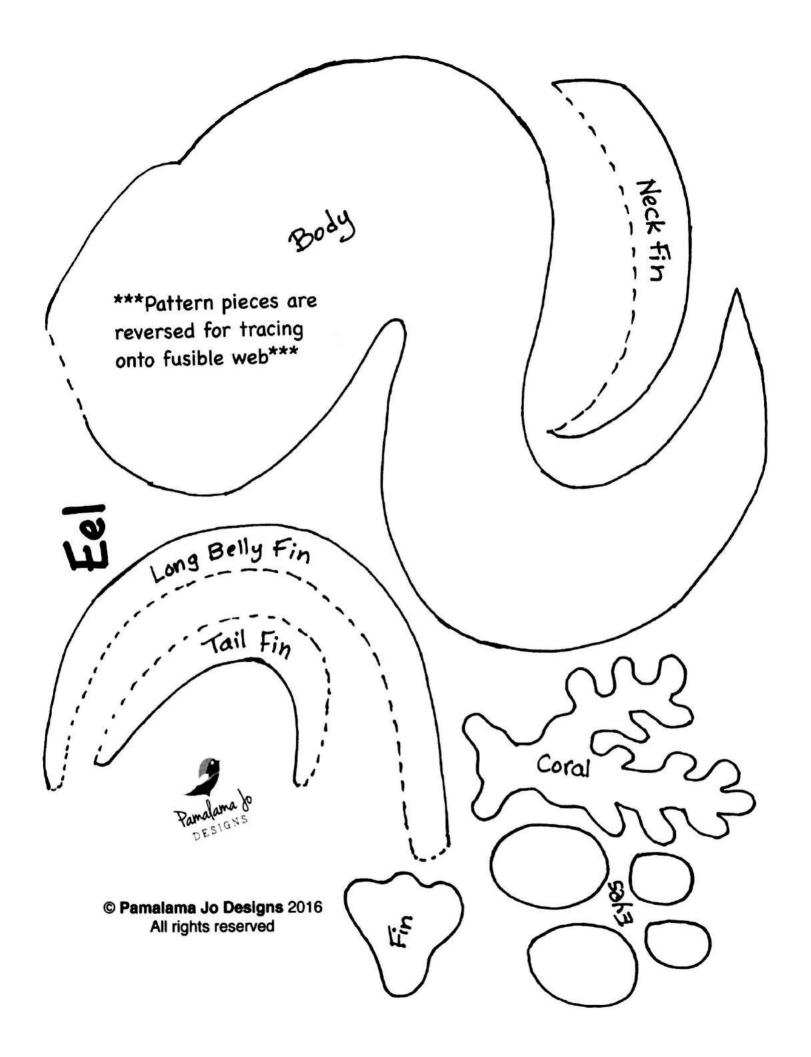


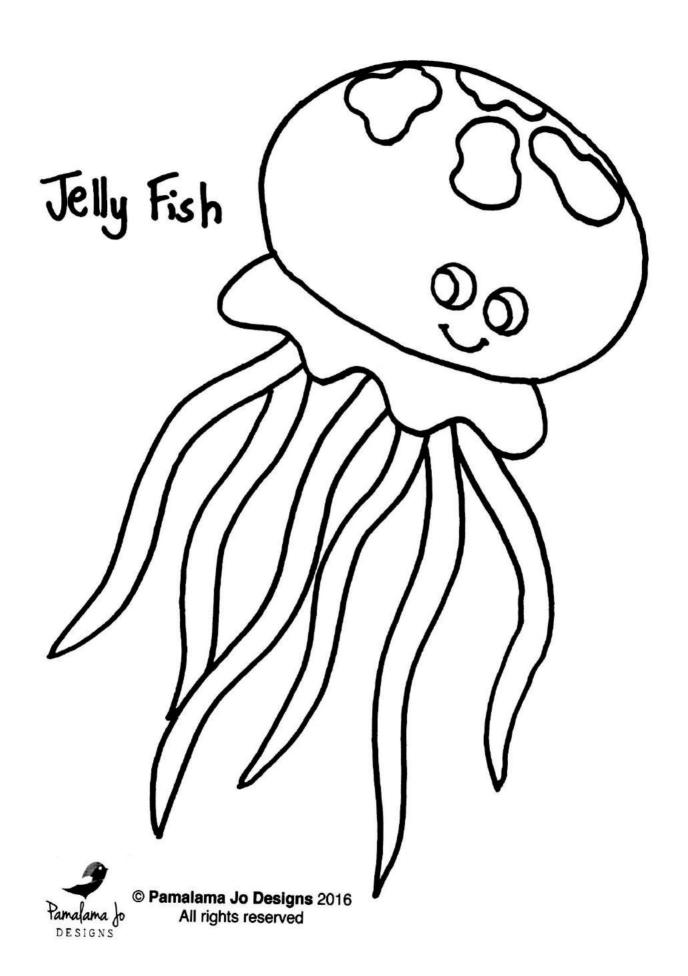


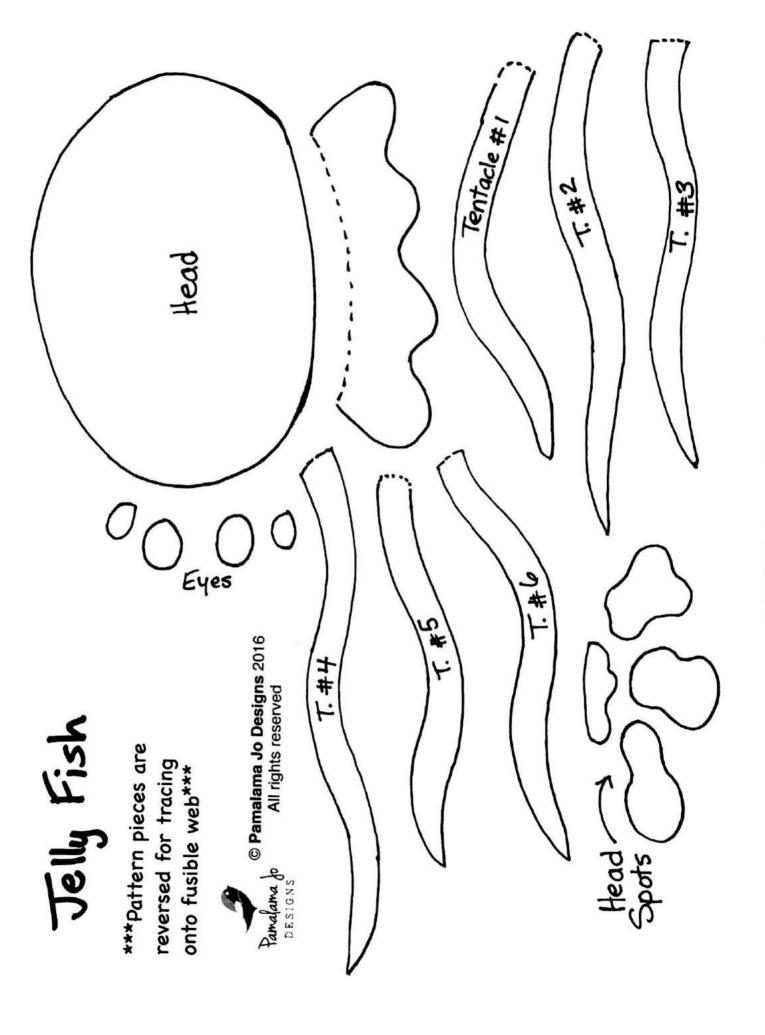


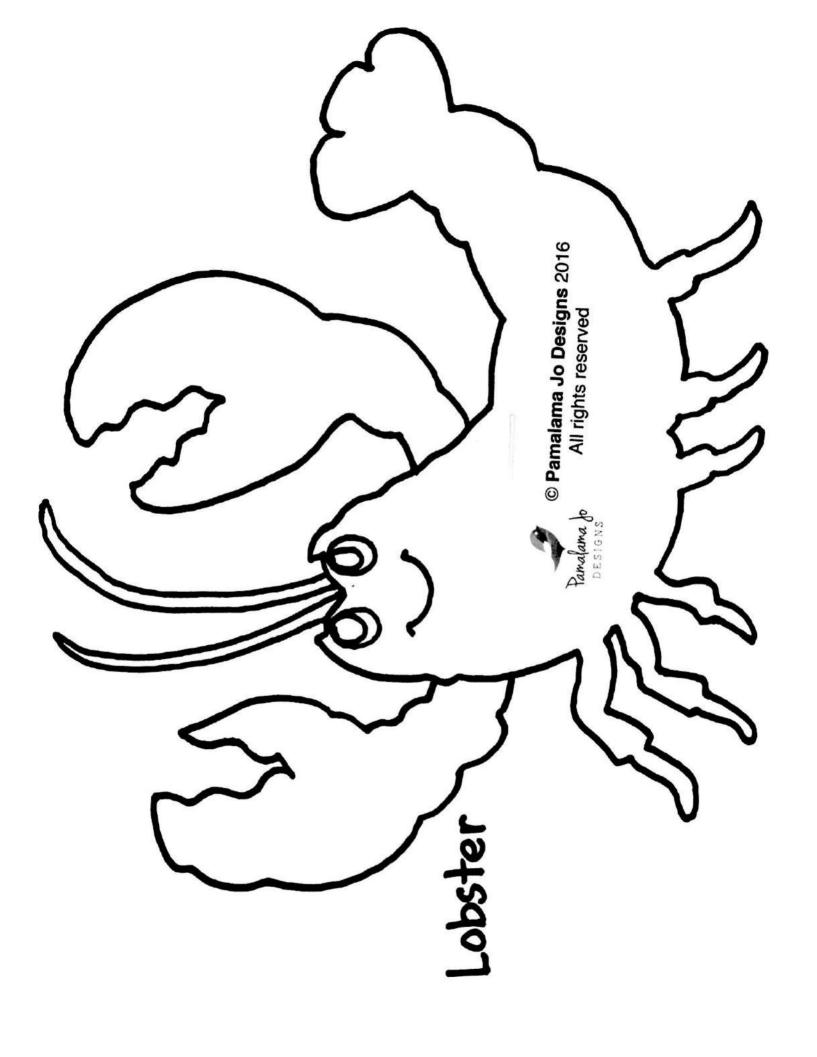


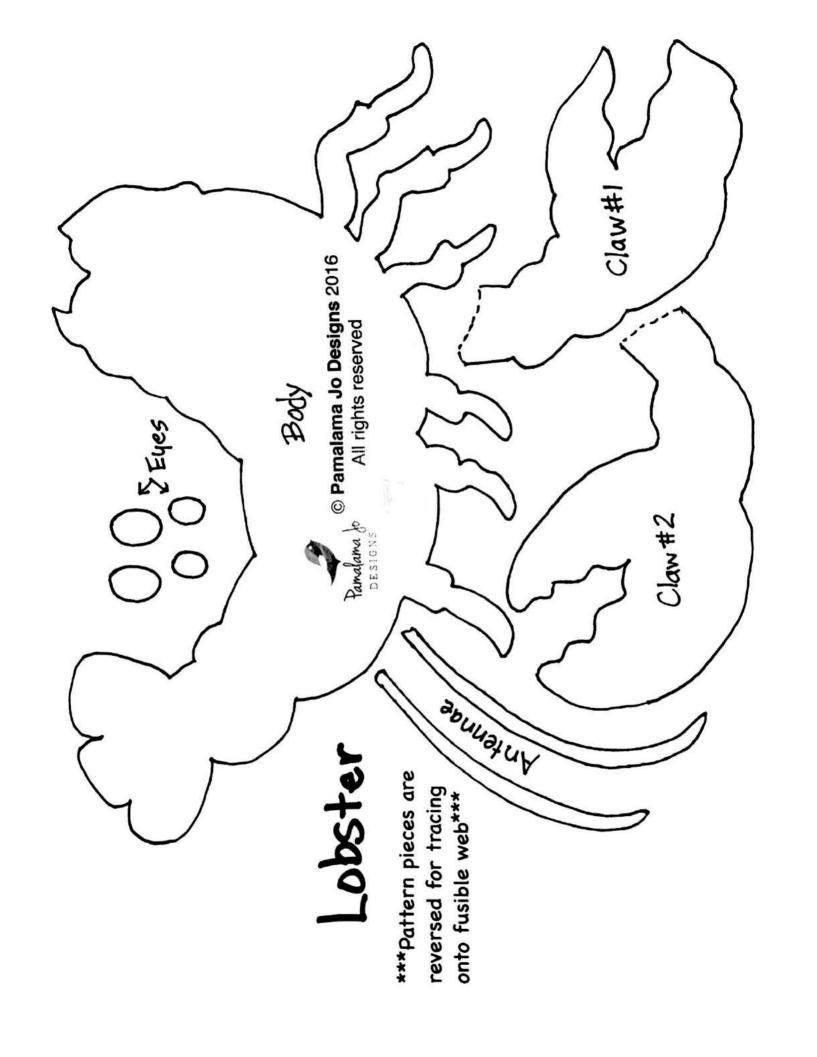
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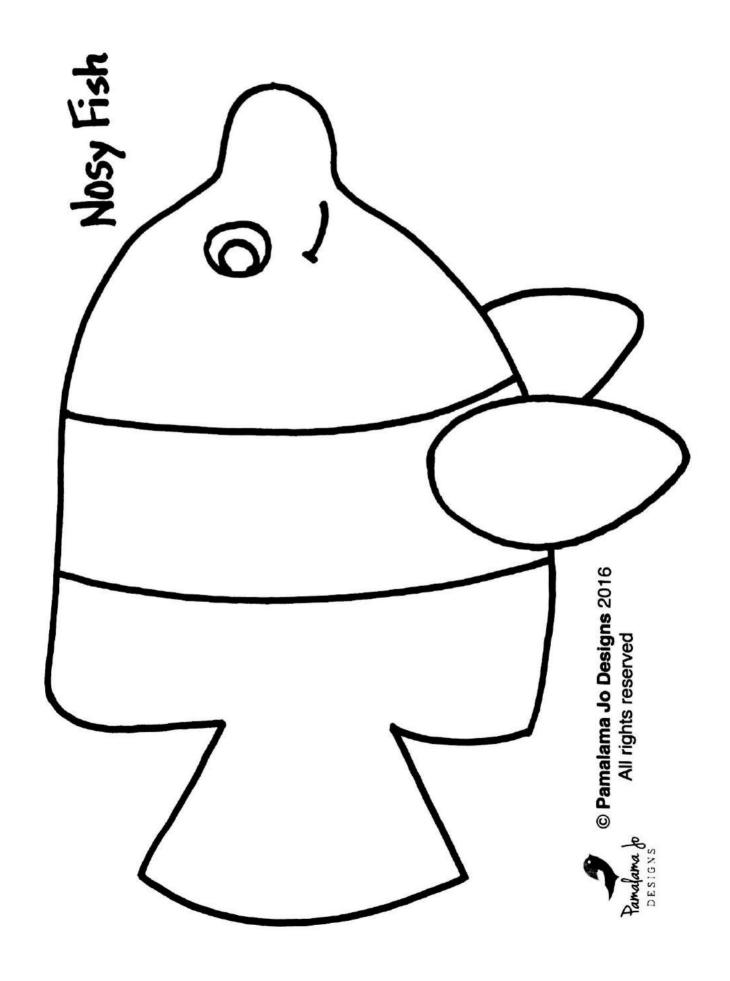


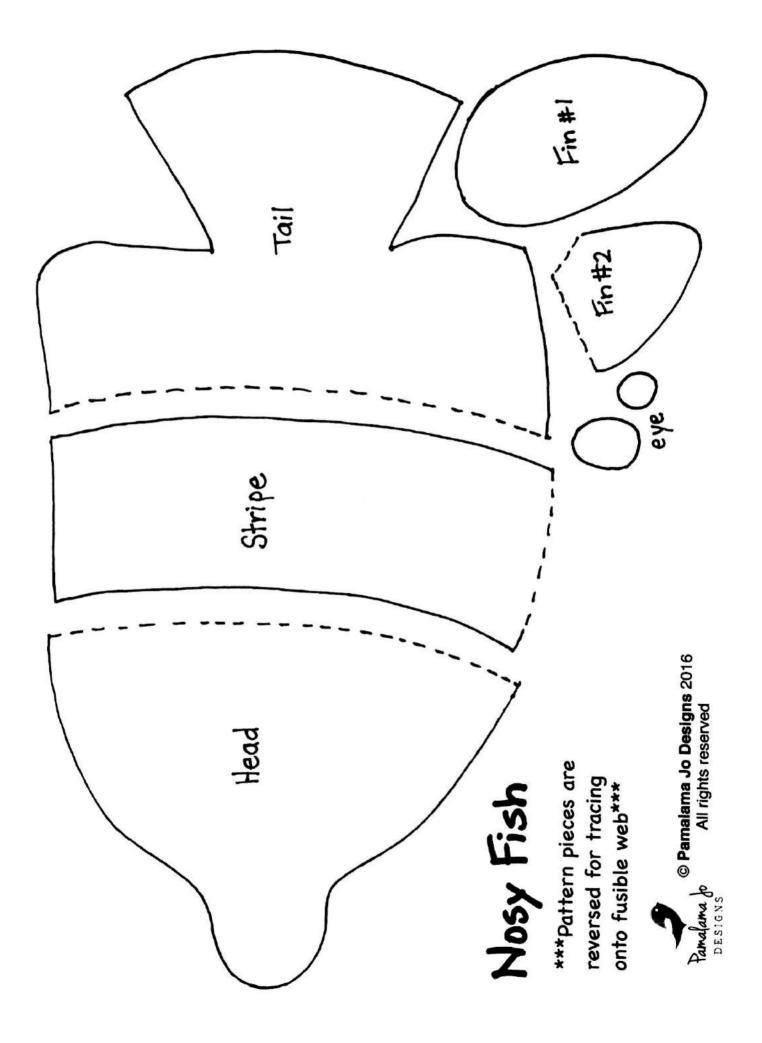


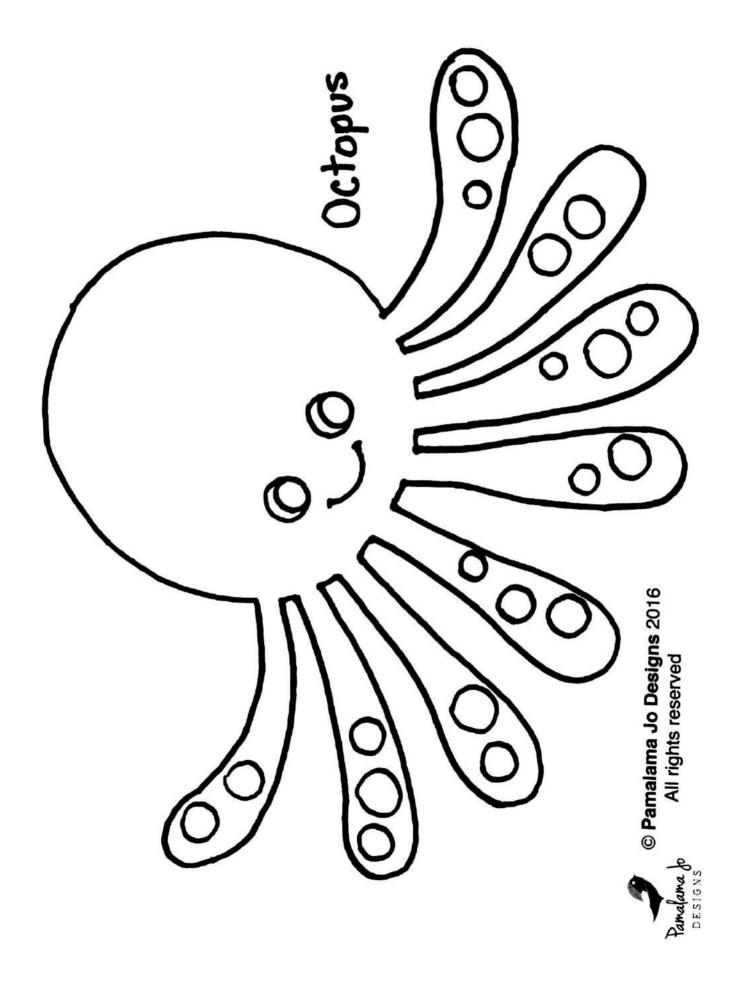


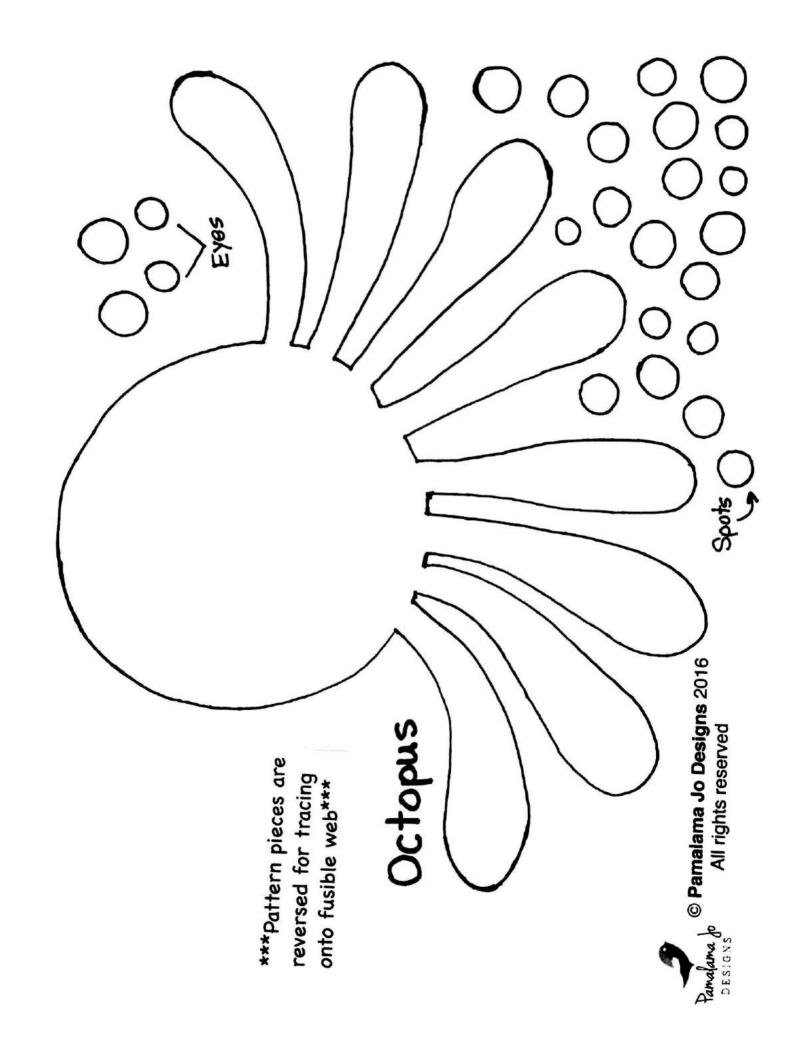


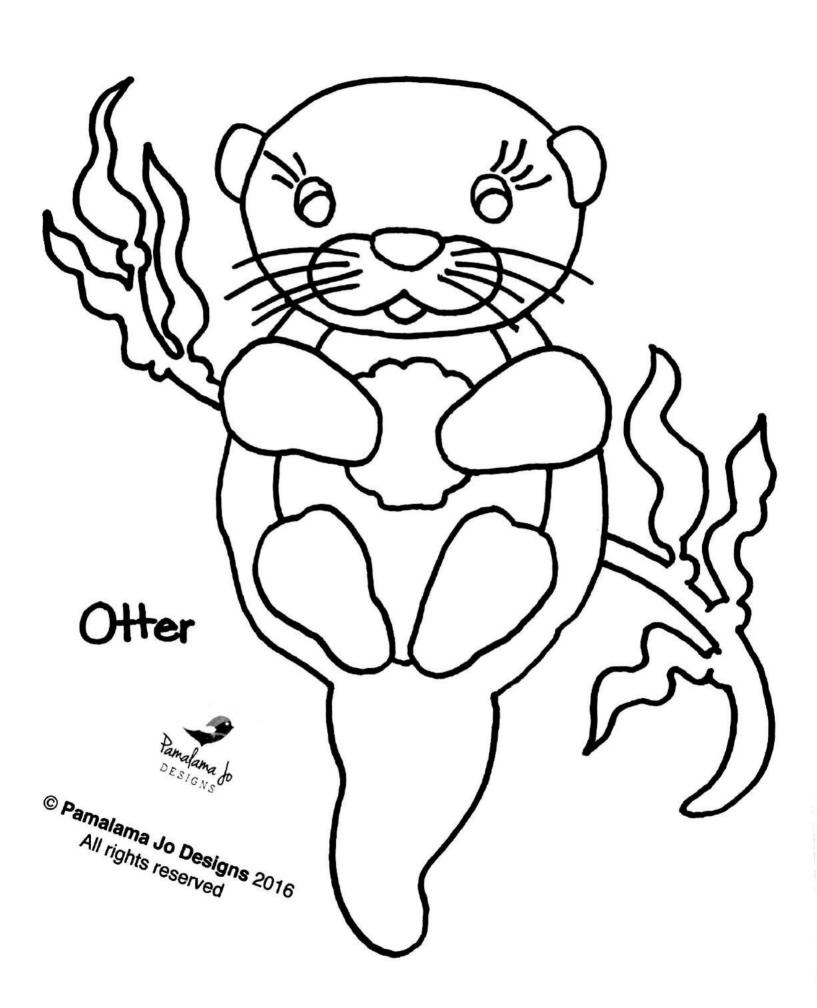


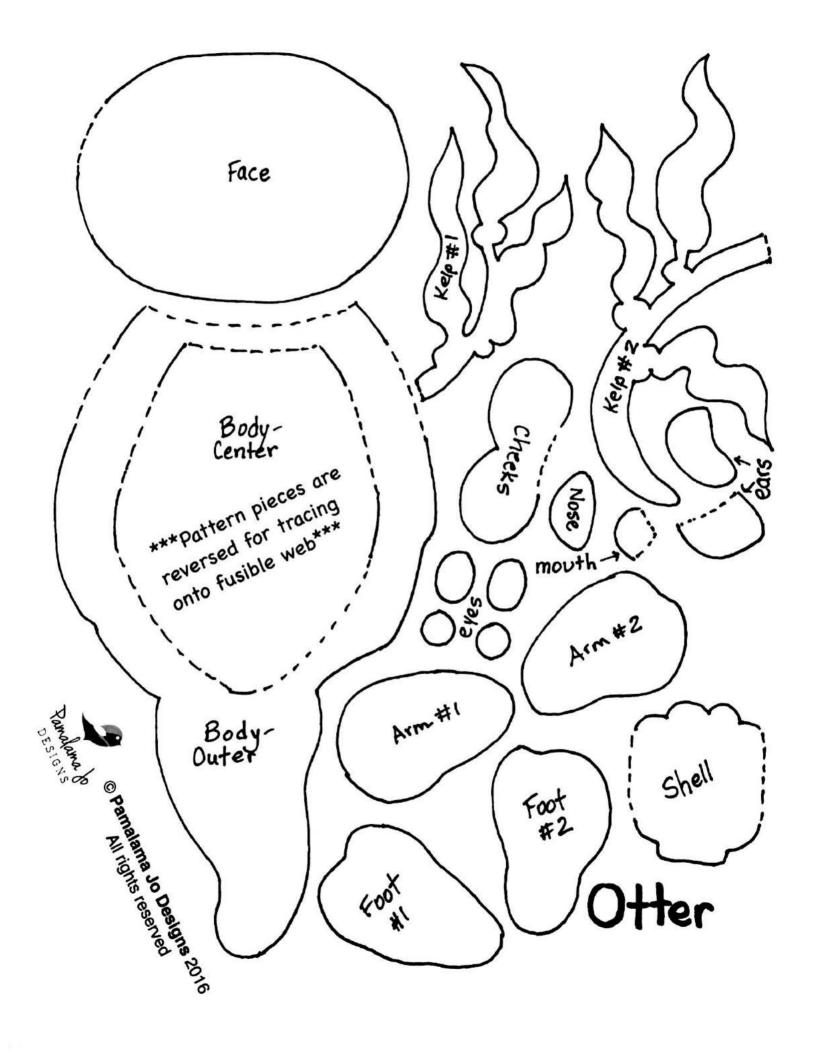




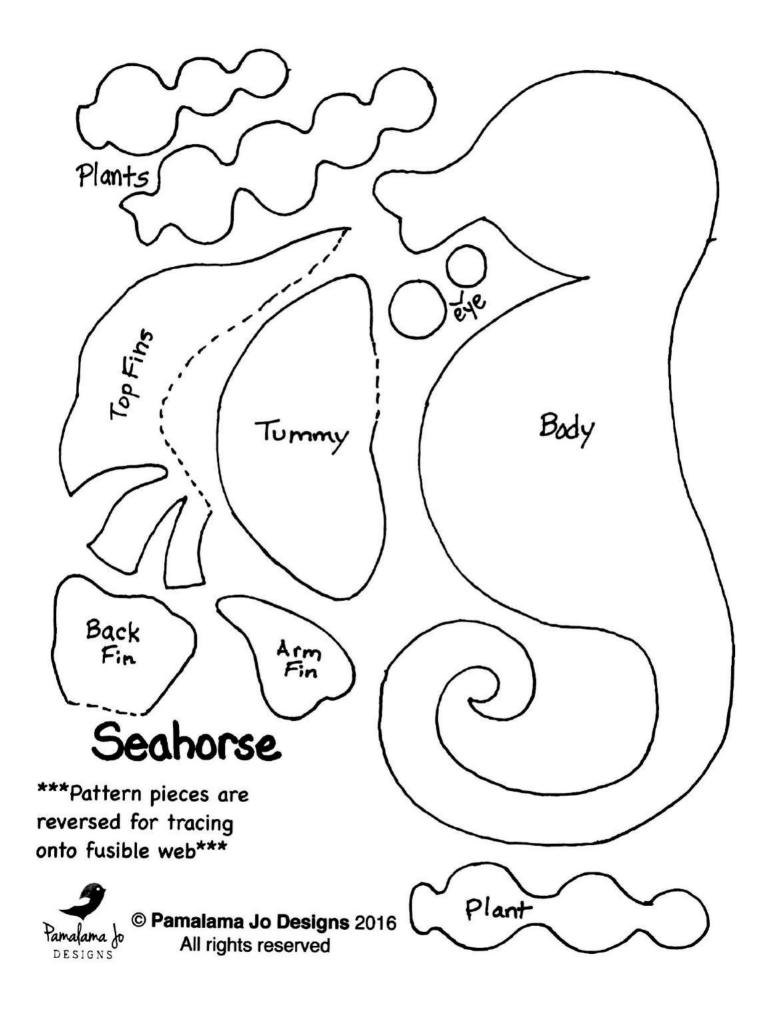


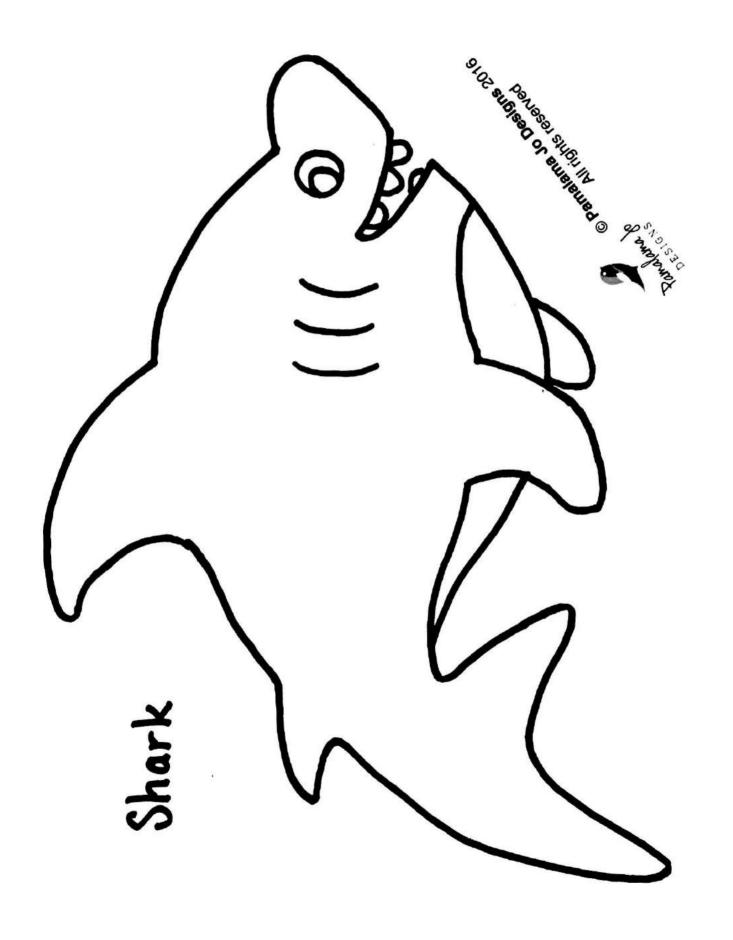


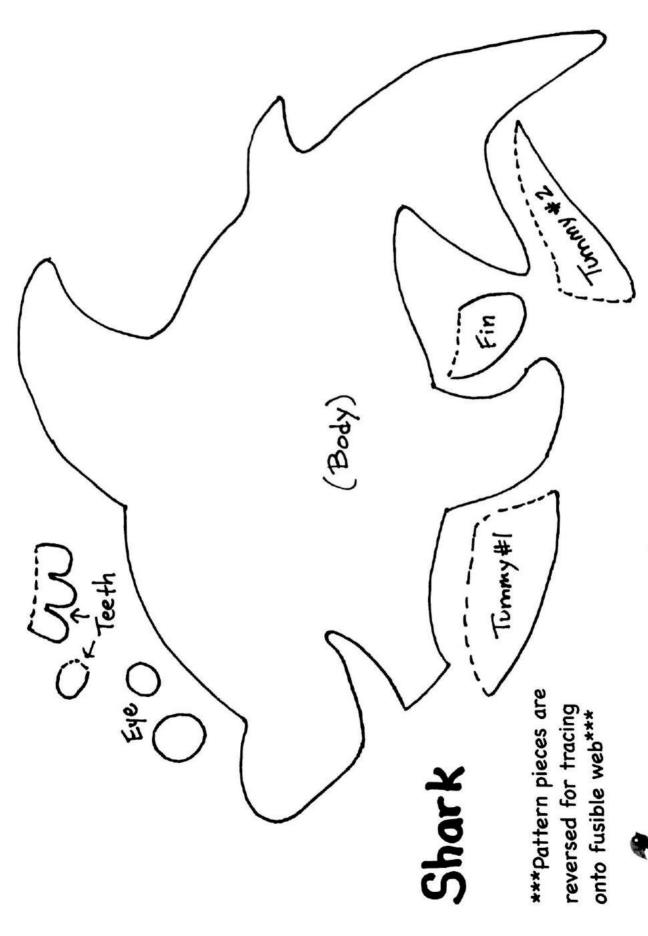




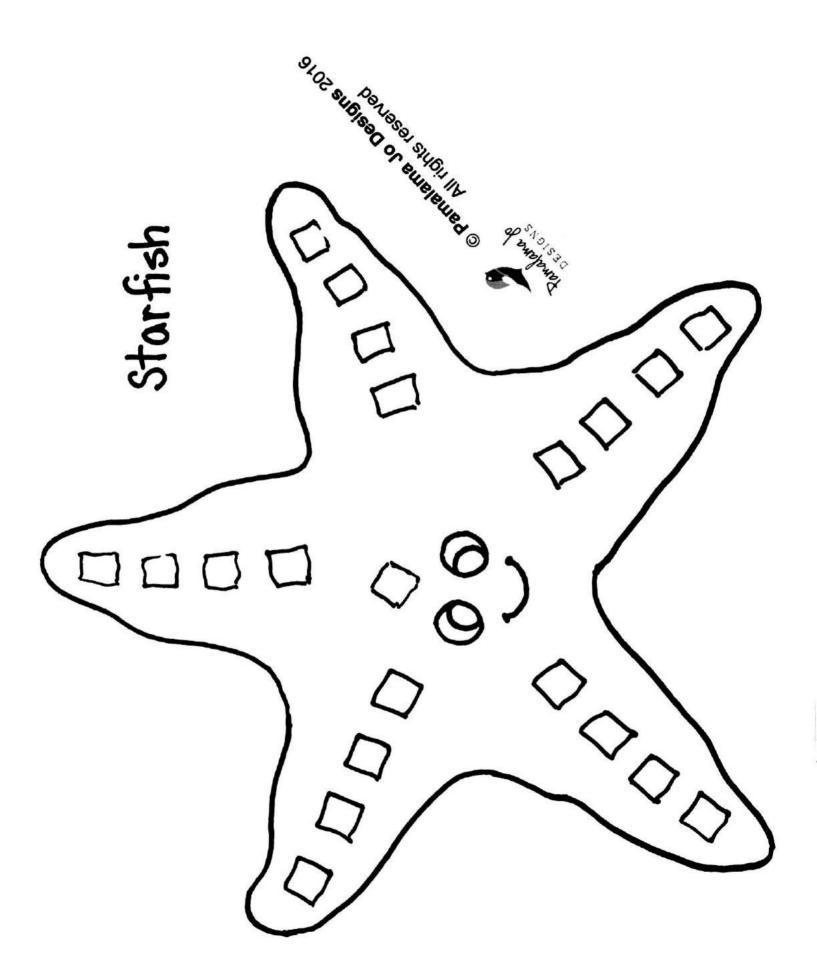


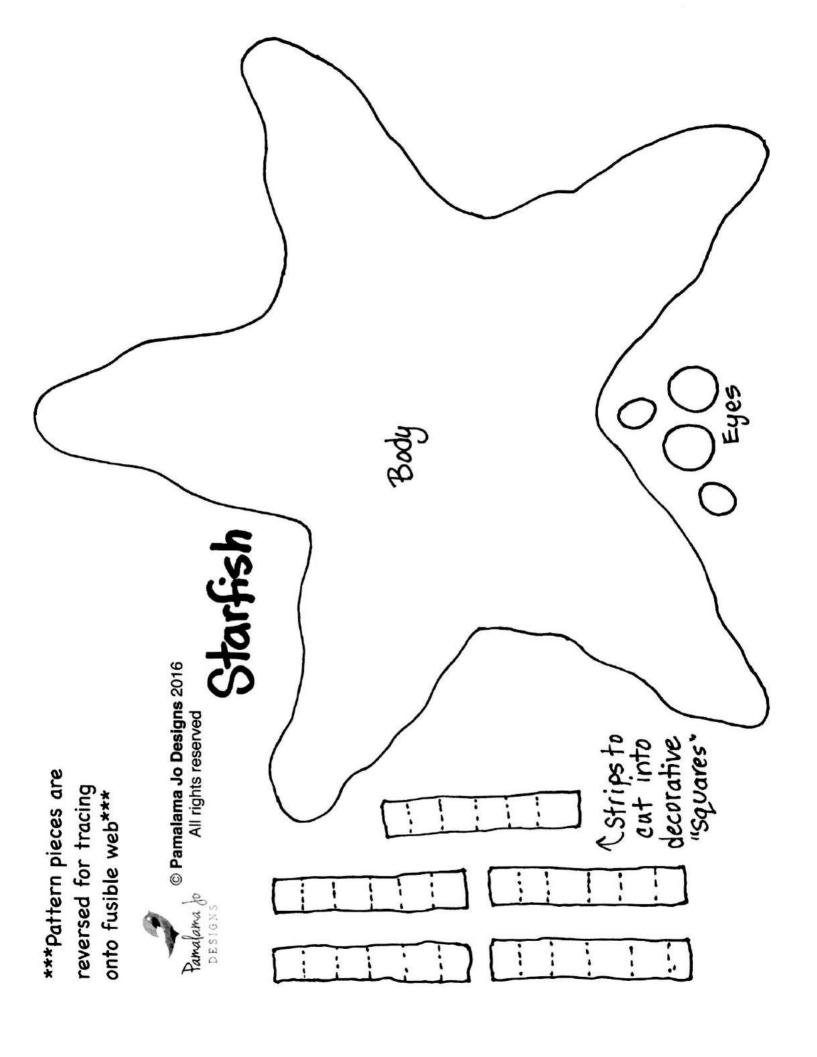


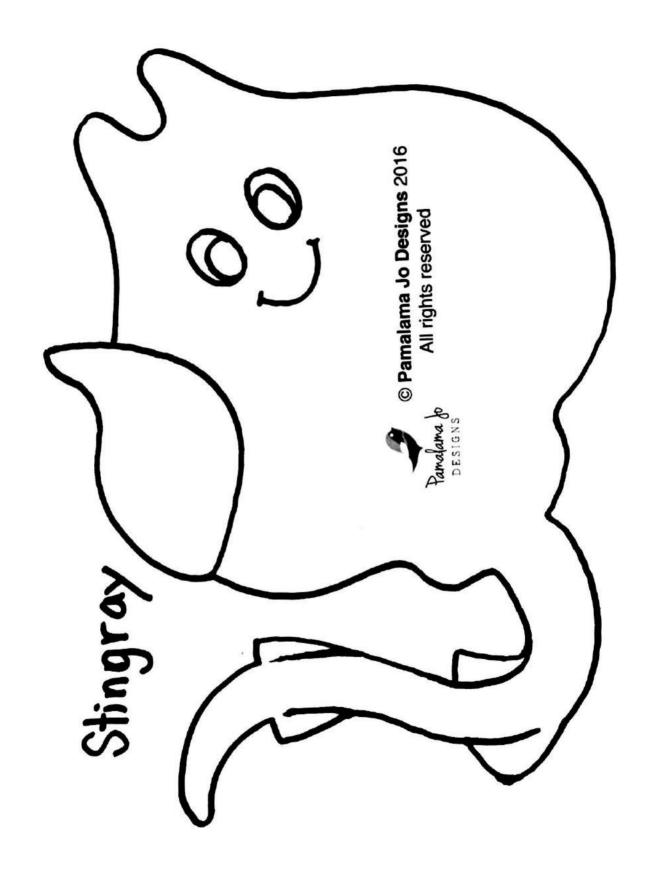


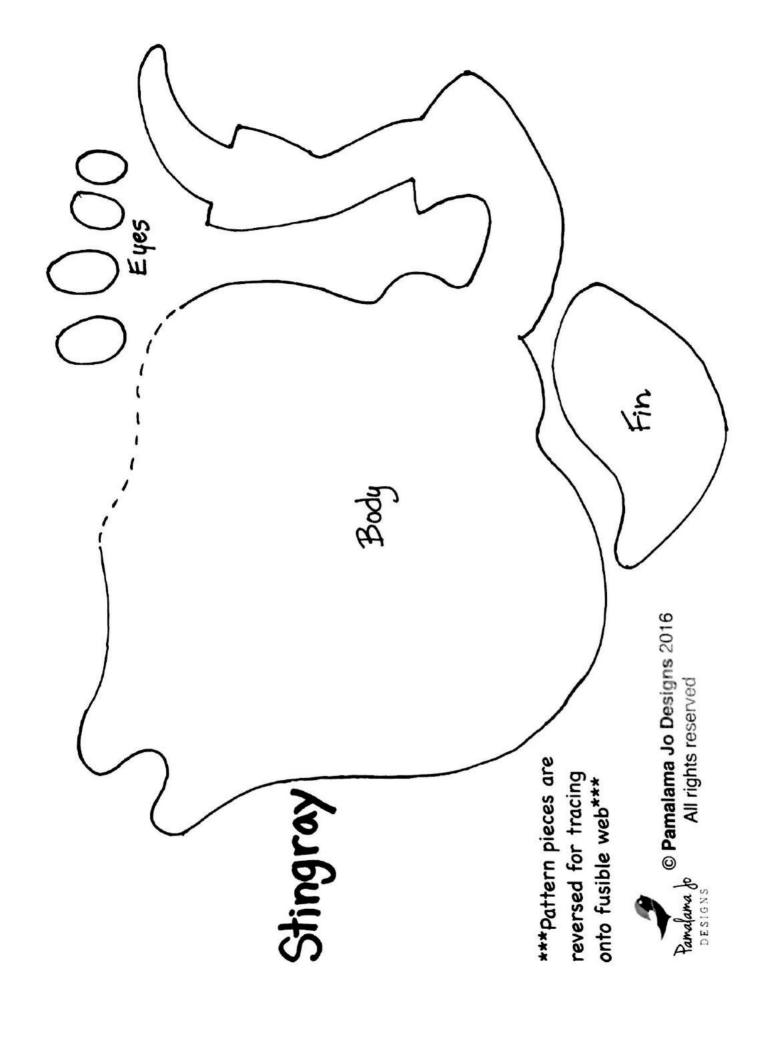


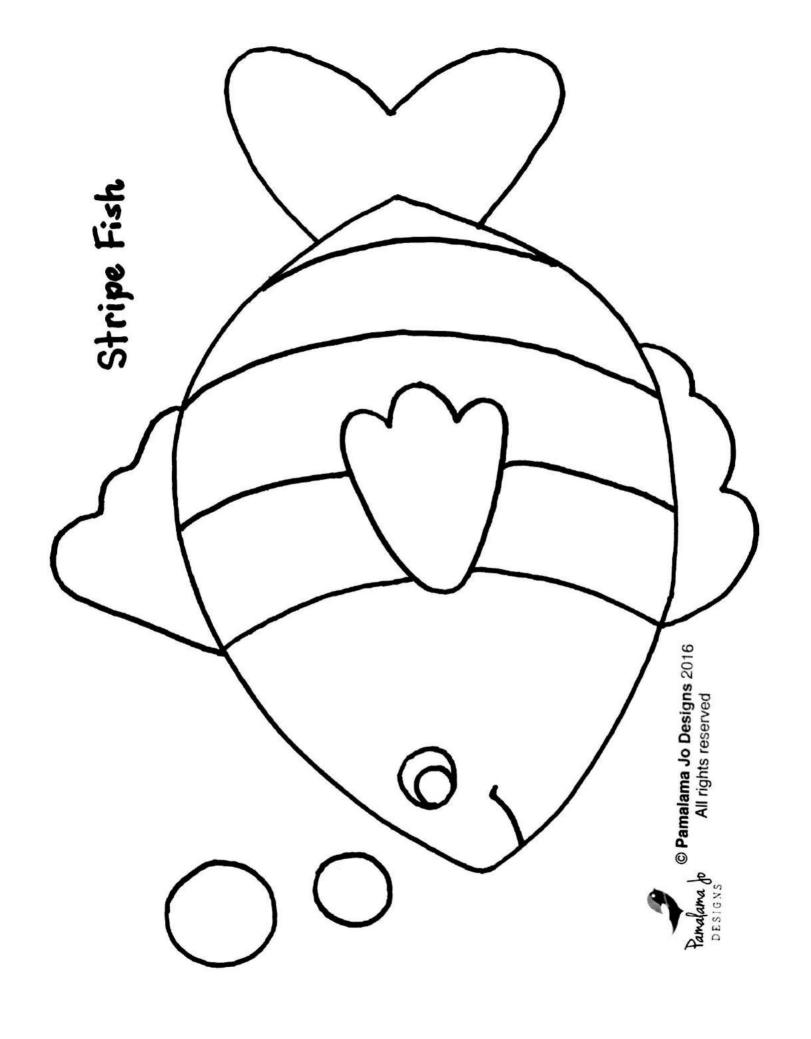
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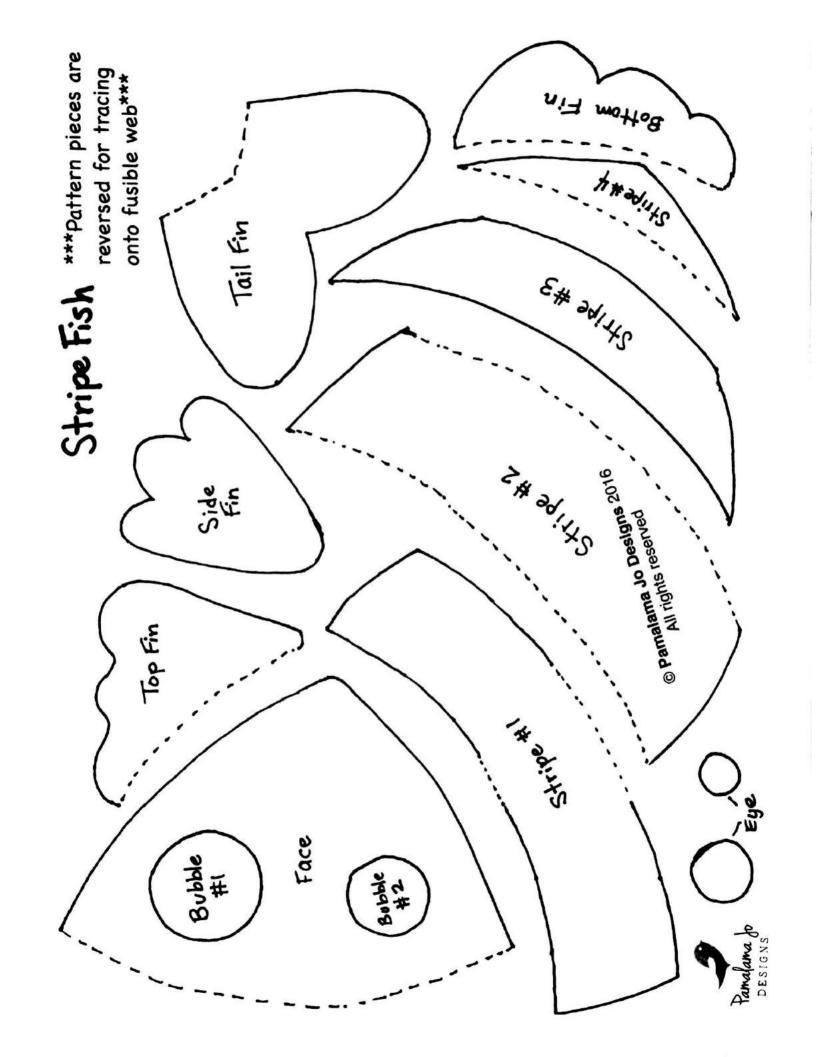


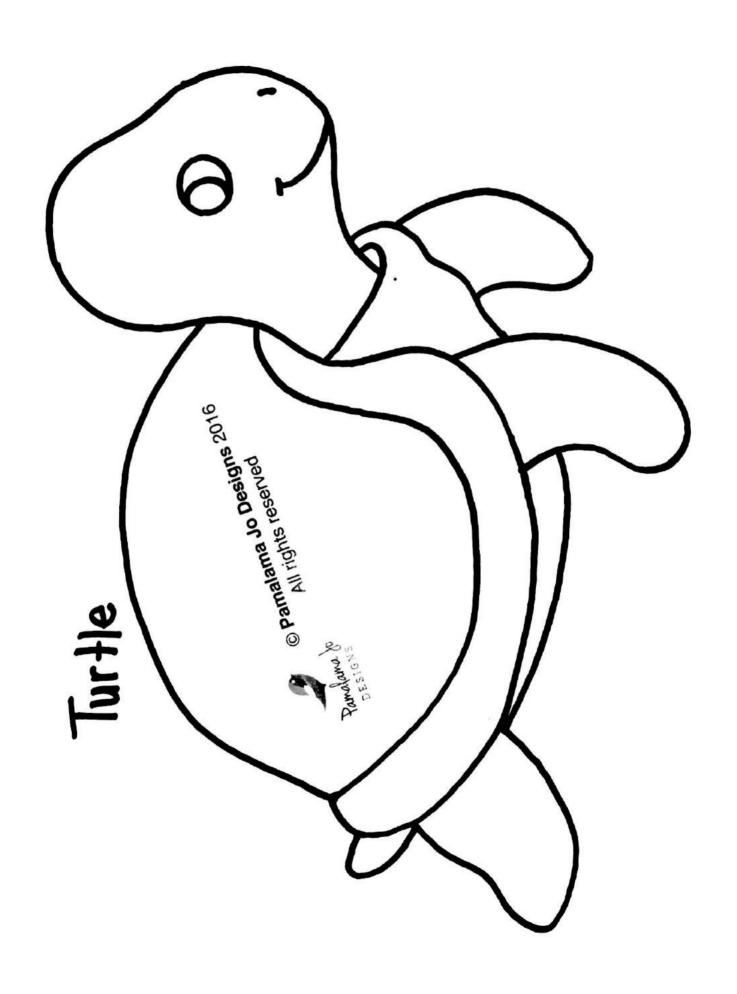


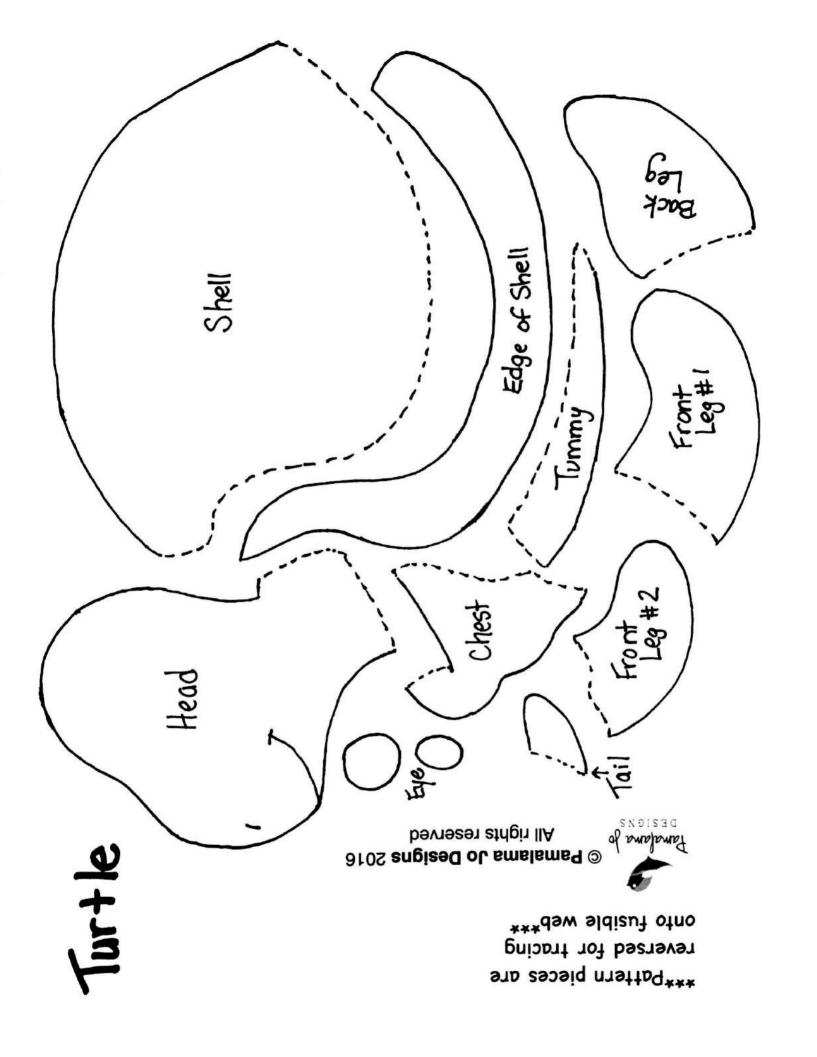












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