# Giant Cheeseburger

## Materials

#### BUN

Two 24-inch circles of medium brown dotted Swiss or other cotton fabric that resembles the outside of a hamburger bun.

Two 22-inch circles cream or white cotton fabric (for the inside of the bun).

One 22-inch circle of cotton quilt batting

One 21-inch cardboard circle.

Two 21-inch circles of thick foam padding.

Polyester stuffing

BURGER PATTY One 22-inch circle dark brown textured cotton fabric.

One 22-inch circle of 1-inch thick foam.

#### FOUR TOMATO SLICES

Four 9- by 12-inch sheet of bright red felt.

Two 9- by 12-inch sheets of pink felt.

Four lettuce leaves Four 9- by 12-inch sheets of lime green felt.

TWO PICKLE SLICES Two 9- by 12-inch sheets dark green felt.

Scraps from lettuce felt to make seeds.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  yard interfacing.

ONION RINGS Six 12-inch white pipe cleaners.

CHEESE SLICE 20-inch square white felt (for Swiss cheese) or yellow felt (for Cheddar).

KETCHUP, MUSTARD, MAYONNAISE

<sup>1</sup>/8 yard each of red (ketchup), yellow (mustard) and white (mayonnaise) felt. Note: Use 5/8-inch seam allowances.

BUN

- 1. Sew the quilt batting to the wrong side of one 24-inch circle (top, outside of bun) 1/4 inch from the edge.
- 2. Hand gather 1/4 inch from the outside edge of each 24-inch circle, using a double strand of thread.
- 3. Sew each outside bun piece (24-inch circles) to an inside bun piece (22-inch circles), right sides together, easing fabric as you stitch. Leave a 12-inch opening to allow for turning.
- 4. Turn buns right side out.
- 5. In the TOP bun (with batting) insert the cardboard circle through the opening so it lies on the bottom (away from batting). Then insert one circle of 1-inch thick foam padding. Fill the space between the batting and the 1-inch thick foam padding with polyester filling to create a hamburger bun shape.
- 6. Hand-stitch the opening.
- 7. In the BOTTOM bun insert one 22-inch circle of 1-inch thick foam and hand-stitch the opening.

#### BURGER

- 1. (Optional) Draw "grill" marks on the right sides of burger pieces with wide black magic marker.
- 2. Sew pieces of burger, right sides together, leaving a 12inch opening to allow for turning.
- 3. Turn the burger right sides out.
- 4. Insert a 22-inch circle of 1inch thick foam. Cut to fit, if necessary.
- 5. Hand stitch the opening.

TOMATO SLICE Cut eight 6-inch circles from the pieces of bright red felt. Divide the pink felt into

squares, as shown, then cut each square diagonally

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to form 24 triangles from each sheet (48 total).

Arrange six pink triangles on each bright red felt circle, as shown at left, and glue them in place.

#### LETTUCE

1. Cut one oval shape, roughly 9 inches wide and 12 inches long, from each of the four sheets of lime green felt.

pickle seeds (Cut from lettuce scraps.)

- 2. Sew a gathering thread  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from the edge of each lettuce leaf.
- 3. Pull the gathering thread to ruffle the lettuce, as desired.
- 4. Tie the ends of the thread together.

#### PICKLE SLICES

- 1. Cut four ovals, about 4 1/2 inches wide and 6 inches long, from each sheet of dark green felt (eight total).
- 2. Baste interfacing to four of the ovals.
- 3. Use a small zigzag stitch to stitch interfaced pieces to uninterfaced pieces.
- 4. Cut small pieces of lettuce scraps to look like seeds. Arrange the seeds as shown, and glue them to the pickle slice.

#### ONION RINGS

Join the ends of pipe cleaners to form circles. Twist the ends together.

#### CHEESE SLICE

Cut large holes in white felt for Swiss cheese. Leave yellow felt solid for Cheddar cheese.



### KETCHUP, MUSTARD, MAYONNAISE

Cut curvy strips of red, yellow and white felt to resemble dollops of ketchup, mustard and mayonnaise.