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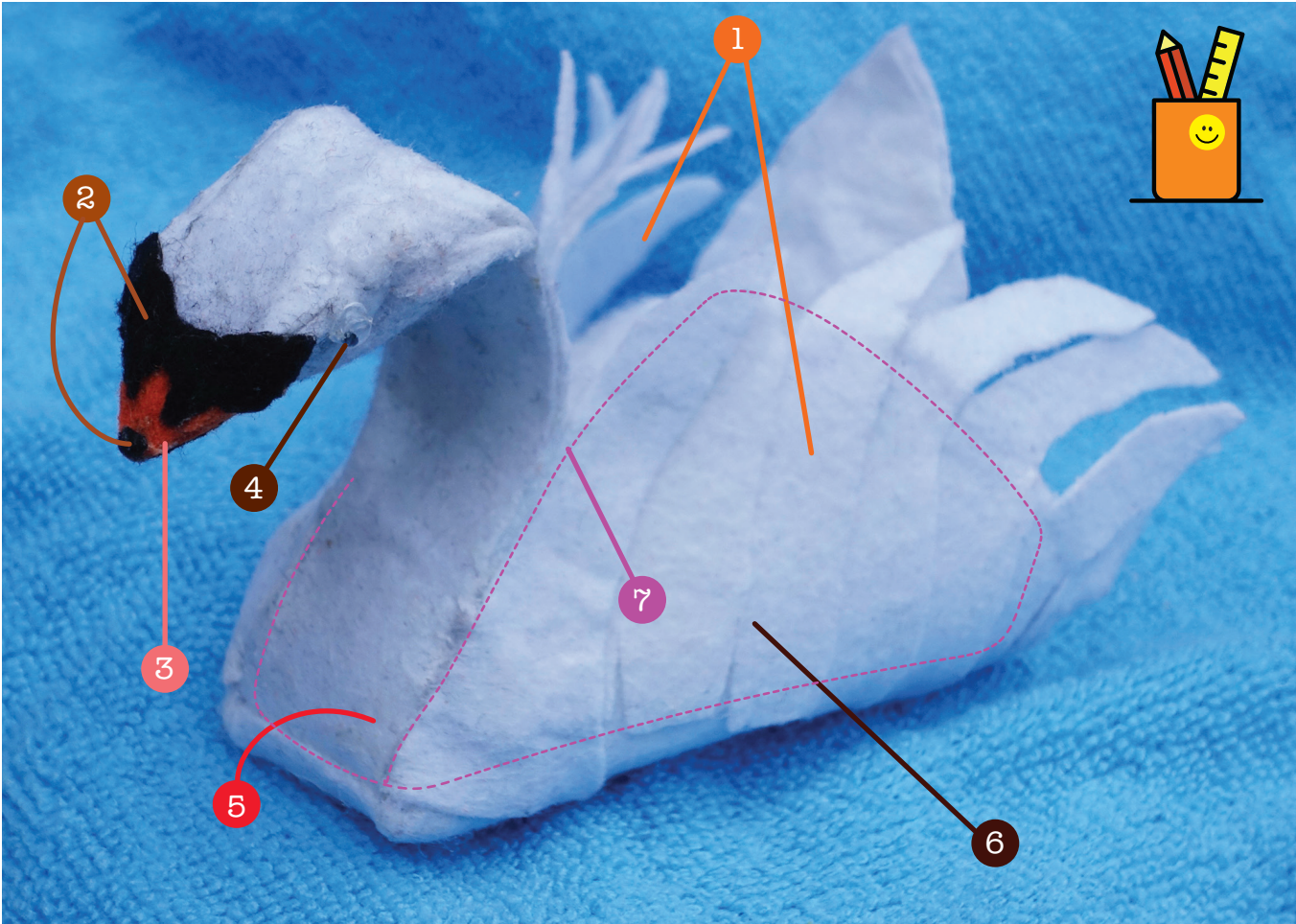
Project: Swan
Crafted by: Joan

Skills learnt: Sewing / gluing / shaping / painting

What you'll need

(All sizes in **cm, width x height** and approximated)

- 1 white felt pieces - body 14x9, head 13x6, tail 4x7, to cover plastic 18x11, inside wings 6x9, neck & head 6x13, underside head 6x4, feathers (16 total) 8x2 curved & tapered at top for outer wings, 8 each side.
- 2 black felt for beak - 2x3 (top), 1x1.5 (under beak)
- 3 orange felt - 1.5x3, tapered at beak
- 4 googly eyes
- 5 garden wire - 104cm (approx)
- 6 foam scourer & stuffing
- 7 plastic milk bottle - 18x22
- 8 white thread/glue/pliers



How to: Swan

About the artist:

Joan is a regular attendee at the Glasshouses Open Art Studio.



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Cut plastic from milk bottle and fold into basic swan shape, i.e. head, neck and body inc. wings.

Cut garden wire and fold in two. Bend into shape from head to tail so that foam scourer when shaped can fit inside the doubled wire to form body and head.

Sew white felt for body and flip so stitches are inside. Put felt from tail end over the wire towards the head. Fold into shape and glue to plastic. The tail should be tapered at the tip; likewise the body. Glue together.

Cut felt for head and neck. Fold this over plastic and attach smaller piece of felt underneath, tapered to form the beak. Stuff the head to make the head fuller and .

To make the wings, glue the white felt over the shaped plastic bottle pieces, making sure the plastic is covered. Sew the wings to the body.

Cut the tapered, curved pieces of felt to form the feathers. You'll need 8 for each side. Glue to the body, slightly overlapping them so they fan out. The strips at each side of the neck should cover where the stitching is at the bottom of the swan.

Cut the orange pieces of felt for the beak and glue onto head.

Cut the black felt for the beak, curved at the top and with a V-shape in the middle to form the tip of the beak. Glue another tapered small piece of black felt under the beak.

Glue the googly eyes either side of the head. Bend head and neck into S-shape.

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