



## **Fun and Easy Costume Ideas**

One year, my son wanted to be an elephant for Purim. He's not the kind of kid that can wear a store-bought costume all day. So, I dressed him in his usual grey hooded sweatshirt and sweatpants and added some extras of my own. I cut elephant ears out of grey felt and pinned them to his hood (he actually kept the hood on!), and made a tail out of the same grey felt material to pin onto the waistline of his sweatpants. We found a trunk mask at a local party store, and we had ourselves a very cute costume!

Here are some more ideas for you to play around with:

- Start with some basics you may already have in your child's wardrobe.
- Find solid colored cotton shirt/onesie and matching pants.
- Use colored felt to add on to the clothes.
- Try double-sided tape to attach the felt pieces or stitch them into place with a simple slip stitch (when Purim is over, snip the ends of the thread and remove from clothing).
- Attach felt pieces with fabric glue for a more permanent hold.

Felt Animal Costume Ideas:

1. Ladybug ~ Red clothes with black felt circles
2. Tiger ~ Orange clothes with black felt stripes
3. Cheetah ~ Orange or Yellow clothes with black or brown felt spots
4. Zebra ~ White clothes with black felt stripes
5. Bear ~ follow the elephant idea (above) with brown clothes and brown felt
6. Cat ~ black, grey, white or brown clothes paired with mask from the Mask Craft page

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