

Want to be the teacher's pet?  
Show your appreciation with this  
sweet apple brooch.



# Apple for Teacher Brooch

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## WHAT YOU NEED

Templates (page 112)

Basic sewing kit (page 9)

White, green, and red felted garment  
wool (page 8) or wool felt

Dark gray felt (optional, see Tip)

White, black, green, and  
red embroidery floss

Small scrap of leather or leather lace

Pin back

## WHAT YOU DO

**1** Using the templates, cut one small apple shape from the white felt, one leaf shape from the green felt, one large apple shape from the red felt, and one large apple shape from the dark gray felt.

**TIP:** To simplify, you can instead cut the second large apple shape, which will be the brooch back, from the red felt.

**2** Position the white interior apple shape on top of one red apple shape and whip-stitch around the outside of the white piece with three strands of the white floss to attach. Backstitch down the center to make two apple halves with a small oval in the center, where the seeds will go.

**3** Stitch two small apple seeds using the satin stitch and two strands of the black floss.

**4** Snip a small stem from the scrap of leather. Tuck the stem into the crease at the top of the white apple interior, and place the leaf over it. Use three strands of the green floss to sew the leaf to the apple. Start by bringing the needle up

through the leather piece to hold the stem in place. Take a few stitches through the apple and the leaf, then just through the leaf when you are near the top curve of the apple.

**5** Finish stitching the leaf vein, working the stitches back to the center down the underside of the leaf as if sewing a single-threaded running stitch (page 12). Give the floss a little tug to make the leaf curl a bit, and then hide the knot.

**6** Sew the pin back onto the apple back. Place the embellished apple onto this back piece, tacking it in place with fabric glue if desired. Use the blanket stitch and three strands of the red floss to sew the backing to the apple. Continue around the apple, concealing the knot inside the stitches when finished.



