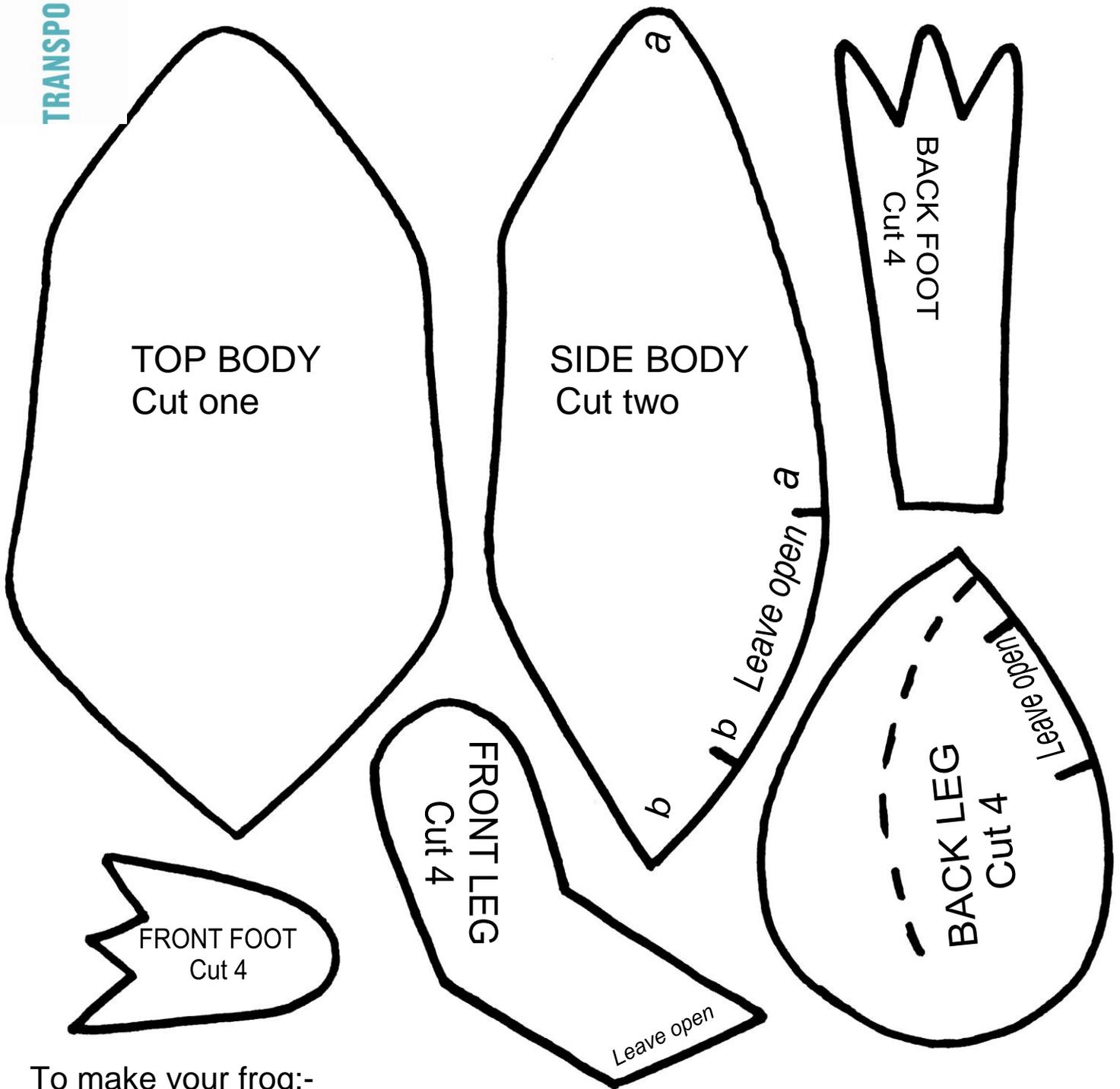


The Swineshead Toad

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To make your frog:-

1. Sew two side body pieces together from a to a and b to b.
2. Sew side body to top body all round. Stuff body and sew up opening.
3. Sew two back leg pieces together leaving an opening. Stuff leg and sew up the opening. Repeat with the other two back leg pieces. Stitch along the line of dashes, making a crease so it looks like a folded leg.
4. Sew two front leg pieces together leaving opening. Stuff leg. Repeat.
5. Sew two front feet pieces together all round, repeat for other two front foot pieces and to make both back feet.
6. Assemble toad as shown in picture.....sew on felt, bead or button eyes.

To decorate you can add sequins, beads, buttons, embroidery etc. If you wish to use machine embroidery, decorate toad pieces while flat, before sewing together.

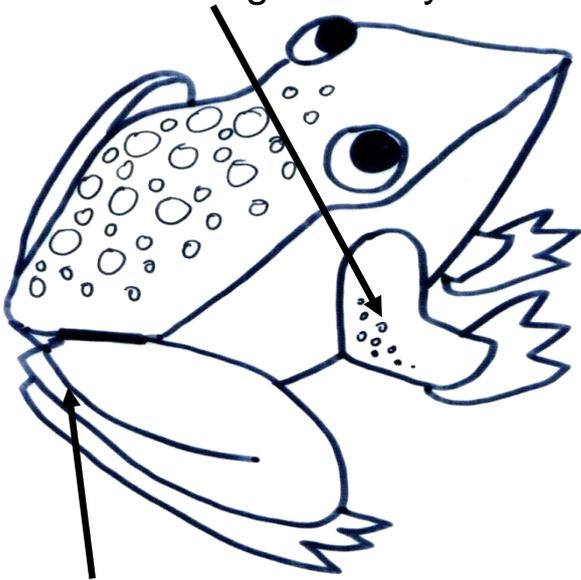
We aim to have hundreds of toads made by June 2016 to display at the Swineshead Pageant. Local tradition states that in October 1216 King John stayed overnight at Swineshead Abbey. It was here that Simon the Monk used poison collected from a toad's back to kill the King (allegedly!).

You can upload a photo of your completed toad to the "Swineshead Pageant" facebook page and also bring it along to the Pageant on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th June. Details will be in local press, on the Transported website and on the facebook page nearer the time.



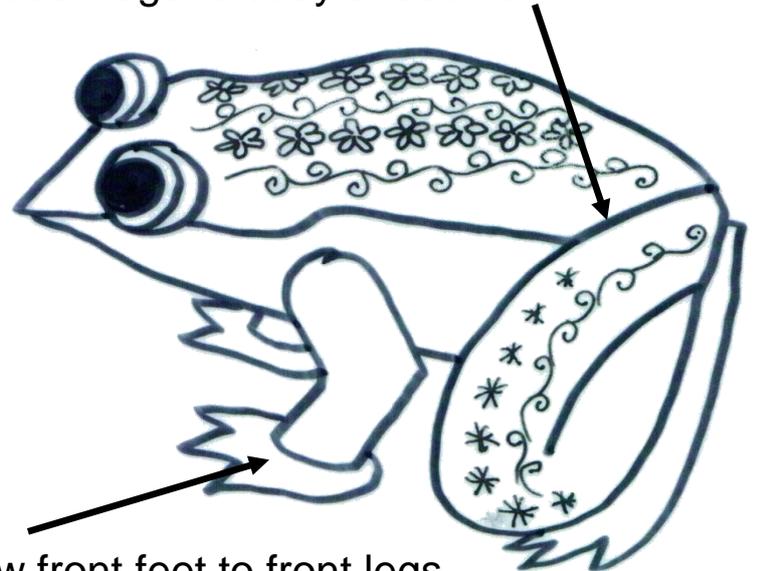
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Sew front legs to body



Sew back feet to back legs

Sew back legs to body at seams



Sew front feet to front legs



Common toad

(Bufo bufo) Up to 10cm long

A warty skinned amphibian, generally various shades of brown. Males are smaller than females. Toads are common in gardens and are mostly nocturnal. They feed on invertebrates – insects, slugs, worms and snails. Toads hibernate from October and November until March or April. They lay their spawn in long strings which are attached to vegetation. The common toad has poison glands that help to protect them from would be predators.

If you need help with making your toad, please email Julie on zoomorphia@btinternet.com or call 01909 485497. You can photocopy these pages as often as you like and pass them on to your friends.