

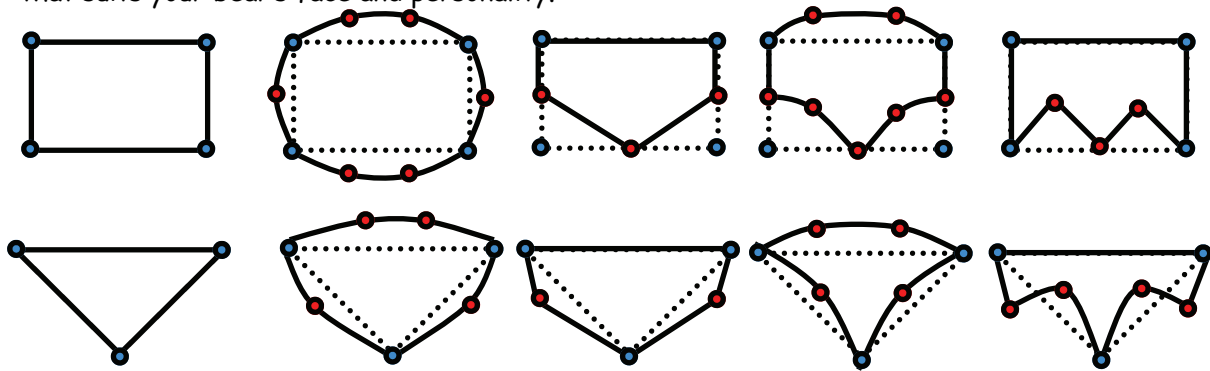
# Noses Noses Noses (Tutorial 3)

*Which nose shape do I choose a for my bear?*

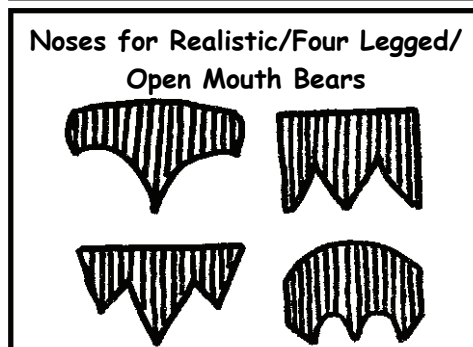
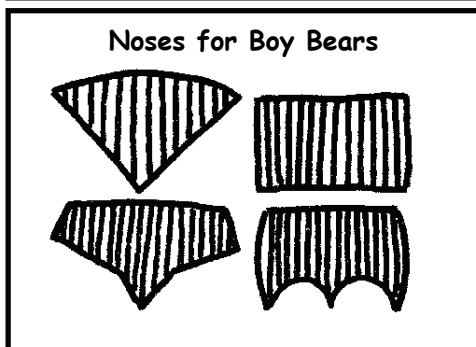
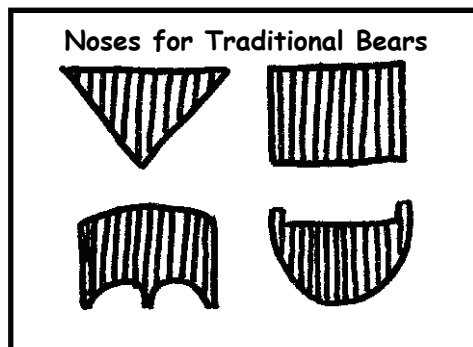
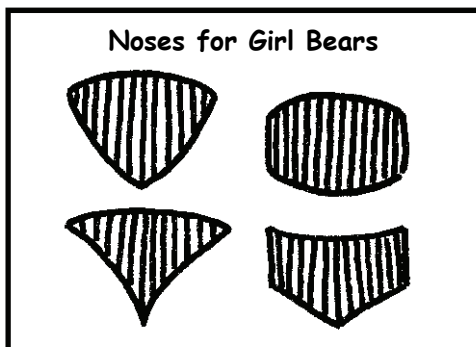
In the previous two tutorials we learned how to place a nose correctly on a teddy bear's face, and how to generally determine the size and shape that works best. In this tutorial we are going to look at nose shapes, and how to make them.

I very rarely use templates when I make teddy bear noses. Even when you use the same pattern over and over, every time you make a bear the face shape will be slightly different because of variances in stuffing and shaping. For this reason I like to use pins to determine the basic shape of the bear's nose. Do the following exercise:

1. Look at your bear's face from the side. Decide whether a triangular or square nose will be the most suitable shape (refer to Tutorial 1 & 2).
2. Pin the shape on to the bear's face, making sure that it is symmetrical, and in the right position (refer to Tutorial 2).
3. Once you have placed the corner pins, take a length of embroidery thread and wind it around the pins.
4. Now get a whole lot more pins, and let's play! Look at the nose shapes and comments below, and try to copy them on to your bear's face. By adding more pins to the nose shape, we can alter a simple triangle or rectangle, and make a large variety of nose shapes. Try various shapes until you find one that suits your bear's face and personality.



Some of my favourite nose shapes:



In Noses Tutorial 4 we will learn how to embroider a nose.