

A Seasonal Gift

Small handmade moments
in tune with the season



A Seasonal Pause

This seasonal gift is a small present from me to you.
I'm Ilona (writer, designer and teacher) and I live and work in tune
with the rhythm of the seasons.

Everything I create comes from the same desire:
not to let the year slip by unnoticed, but to truly experience it. And to
reconnect, again and again, with your own natural rhythm.

With Jaarrond I invite you to experience the year more
consciously, step by step.
And in my studio FeltFolk I design felt patterns, so that the turning of
the year can also be seen and felt in your home.

Enjoy this seasonal gift,
and may it gently invite you
to savour the anticipation of the time ahead.



Seasonal Wisdom

Rejoicing in the promise of spring

As the days slowly begin to lengthen, a gentle movement returns to the quiet of winter. Everything is still small and tender, yet beneath the surface something is beginning to stir.

This is not a time for big steps or sudden changes,
but for truly sensing what wants to emerge.
What is ready to unfold in the time ahead?
In which direction do you feel drawn to move?

Moment of Reflection

What am I looking forward to, even though it is not yet visible?

Seasonal Invitation

Take a quiet moment this week to create something that reminds you of what you are anticipating in this new year.

Place it somewhere you will see it often,
or tuck it into a small snowdrop box,
as a promise to yourself
that when spring truly begins,
you will gently begin to act on it.

You don't need to change anything yet:
allowing yourself to look forward is enough.

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Snowdrops box



Snowdrops are often the very first bulbs to push their heads above the soil. They announce the coming of spring: a gentle step toward the season ahead.

Materials:

Wool felt: light blue, grass green, white and dark brown

White kraft box (7.6 × 5.3 cm)

Matching thread

Lay out all the pieces first, so you can see how they fit together nicely. Start by attaching the largest stem. Then place the medium stem so it slightly overlaps, and attach the smallest stem on the other side. Secure the three leaves (see photo on the following page).

Next, attach the dark brown base, letting it slightly overlap the bottom of the stems and leaves. For the flowers, always attach the small heart shape first, using a few tiny stitches at the tip. The flower hangs upside down, just below the end of the stem, just like a real snowdrop.

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Next, attach two white petals on either side. Here too, you only need to secure the top edge with small stitches. Place the green cap over the top of the flower. Make two larger flowers and one smaller one.

Thread a double strand of embroidery floss and use a running stitch from the top of the calyx down to the tip of the stem. This creates the effect of the snowdrop flowers gently hanging down.

Then fold the cut edges of the box inward and secure them with a blanket stitch. Do this for each of the four corners. Slide the felt cover over the lid and, if needed, secure the edges with a small drop of glue. Your spring box is finished!

Did you enjoy this pattern?

I'd love to see what you made!

Tag [@feltfolkdesigns](#) on Instagram or send a photo to info@hetuilenhuis.nl

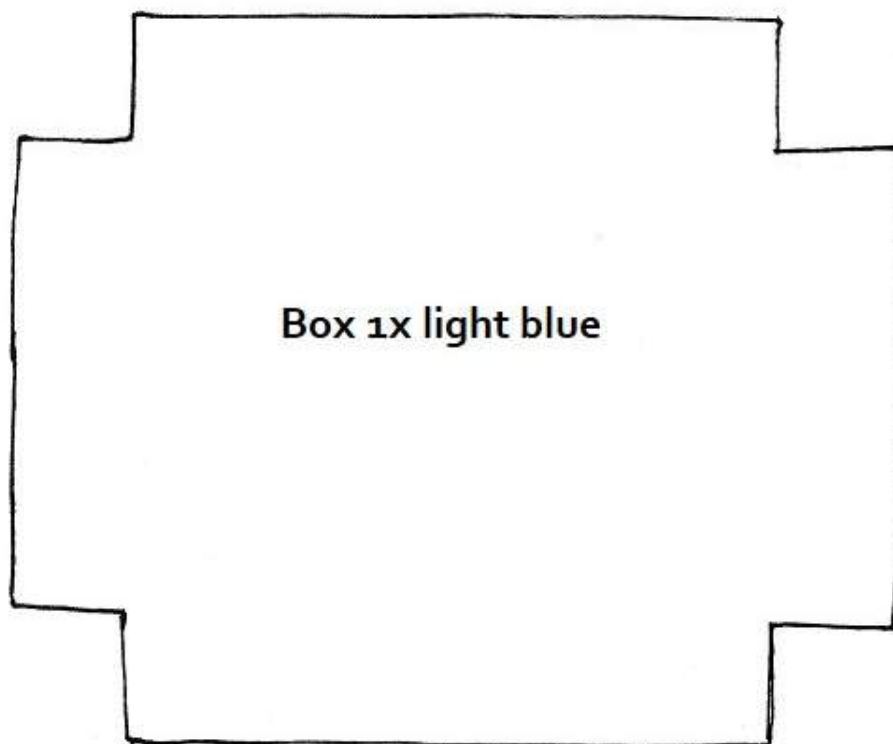
For more felt inspiration, visit my [Etsy shop](#)

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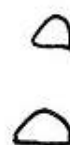
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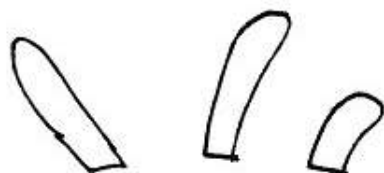
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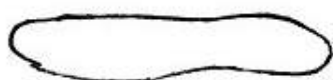
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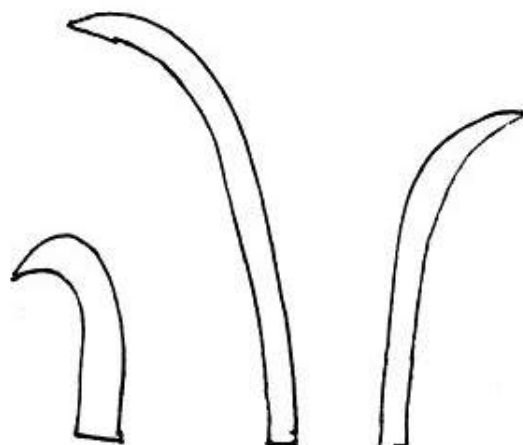
Cap flower
big 2x & small
1x grass green



Leaves each 1x grass green



Surface 1x dark brown



Stem each 1x grass green