

FELT UNIT CUMA/ CROSS PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Product specification:

Felt Unit (CUMA, CROSS) is the design concept of Takehiro Ando in collaboration with felt manufacturer Aviland. It is the result of Ando's desire to work with a soft and warm natural material (wool) to create a design (shape) that could be produced without the use of adhesives or stitching. The felt for this project has been custom designed using a woven pattern of wool fibers that are pre-dyed in order to create a rich color and texture and woven repeatedly in order to provide the desired thickness, density and rigidity to support its use in many different applications. The resulting shapes, CUMA/CROSS are two shapes that can be easily connected using an unlimited number of parts to create the desired product. Each piece can be connected up/down/right/left to create an infinite number of patterns. CUMA/CROSS products/installations can be used in interior design, as fashion accessories and for illumination applications. The usages are limited only by your imagination.

Characteristics:

CUMA

CUMA was designed to create a shape that could be used when inter-laced to provide a dense/thick tapestry to be used in many applications. The CUMA shape with its round curves gives a soft appearance and its curves allow for very small gaps when connected. The resulting shape, CUMA (Japanese for bear) looks like a bear head (face and ears), with cut outs in order for the pieces to be linked together. This unintended result creates a silhouette that is cute when used individually but when the pieces are linked together the design is strikingly modern. The sound absorption and thermal retention properties of the felt and this shape make it great for varied usages such as: table coverings, wall hangings, cushion covers and as fashion accessories.

CROSS

CROSS was designed to create an open/ airy design that is simple and striking on its own and when utilized in large numbers has a permeability and openness that makes it ideal for not only flat installations but for 3 dimensional as well. When connected , CROSS becomes a woven net that is perfect for applications where natural or man-made illumination are used. (wall hangings/ separators/ light shades, etc). CROSS' simple design is also perfect in accessory applications (necklaces, hand bag decorations, belts).

Function:

FELT UNIT (CUMA/CROSS) are individual pieces that can be connected to produce a large sized covering. Both shapes can be easily connected/ disconnected to create the desired shape. The natural properties of Felt (wool) – i.e. sound absorption and sound deadening, thermal retention, and light permeability make the final application highly functional.

Material:

Wool/rayon

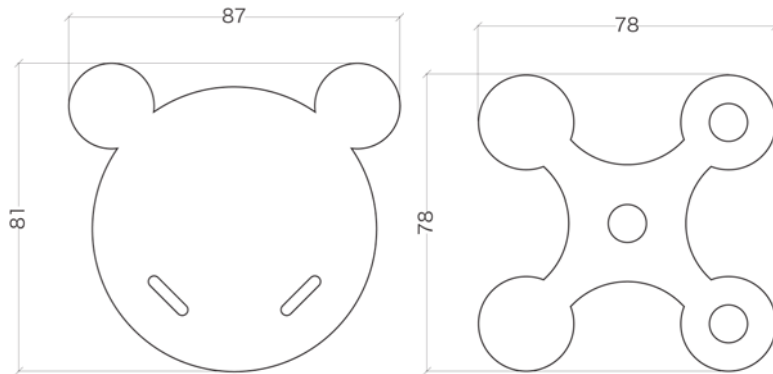
Maintenance:

Wash as you would wool fabric. Hand wash and after removing as much water as possible dry flat. Do not machine wash. As wool is a natural fiber, there is risk of shrinkage or changing of shape . As the product can be easily assembled, replacing the soiled portions is possible.

SHAPE

Individual pieces with assembling possible

One piece size:



CUMA: 81*87mm

CROSS:78 *78 mm

Assembled size:

100 pieces (10 *10) size and weight

CUMA: 640mm *640 mm (approximately 370 g)

CROSS: 650 mm * 650 mm (approximately 214 g)

1m2 required pieces/weight:

CUMA: $19*19= 361$ pieces (approximately 1,340 g)

CROSS: $16*16= 256$ pieces (approximately 584g)

Purchasing Method:

Product: CUMA/ CROSS

Package: 1 Package (50 pieces)

Color: White, Black, Gray, Brown

Thickness: 2.5-3 mm (Rigid type applicable for hanging applications)

Usage: Tapestry, Furniture coverings, Cushion cover, Light shade and other Interior and fashion applications

Delivery schedule:

1 week from order

2 weeks from order depending on the amount and application for the product

Overseas orders (non Japan), delivery schedule dependent on the shipping method

Delivery is direct from the factory for purchases of packages but all special designed applications to be delivered from the design studio.

Cost: 6,000 JPY / 50USD / 40 EURO per package

For wholesalers or for design projects, prices will vary depending on the project.

Please inquire

Shipping costs: Free shipping within Japan for orders over 30,000 JPY. For orders less than 30,000 JPY the purchaser will pay for shipping. For all overseas orders, the purchaser will pay shipping costs.

Payment methods: Cash/ wire transfer/ COD (within Japan)