



## Creating Sassy

### What you'll need:

**Scissors** to cut the pieces out.

An **exacto or razor knife** to cut the slots for inserting the mane and tail.

Strong, fast-drying **glue**. A glue gun would work well if you're able to use one. *(I used an Extreme Elmer's glue stick and the Scotch Tacky Glue pictured here.)*

**Tape** - I used scotch tape on the insides to help hold things together as the glue dried.

**A helper** - It's difficult to bend/fold, glue, and hold everything together all at once. If you have someone to assist you, things will likely go more smoothly.

**Wipes/paper towels** - I kept getting glue all over my fingers as I worked on putting this together. Maybe you're neater than I am, but I found myself frequently wiping glue off my fingers.



There are three pages for Sassy. There's no single, correct way to put this model together, but I'll explain how I did it. Once you've completed one model, you'll feel comfortable with how it's done and may have ideas for how to do it better.

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**Cut each part out along the light blue lines.** When cutting, if you'll cut off an identifying letter, first jot that letter on the opposite side of Sassy at a position that will be inside the piece when cut. The letters help identify the alignment of pieces.

The **dashed lines are fold lines.** Do not cut those. Also, do not cut where the colored lines cross the top of the legs. Your cut pieces should look like the ones below.

Cut all the parts out and group like pieces together (legs, body, etc.) It can take a while to cut everything. If you'll continue the project at a later time, store everything in a plastic bag so you don't lose any of the pieces.



Next, I made the folds for each part. The pieces that have lots of small triangles are parts that will fold into a curve, like around the hindquarters.

My overall strategy was:

- Assemble all four legs
- Assemble the body
- Attach the legs to the body

Glue the tail and mane pieces together so they will have color on both sides. *(They'll be inserted later.)*

You may want to color the interior of Sassy's ears and forelock. If not, the inner parts of that area will be white.

## Legs

The B pieces are the back legs, B and B'. These have tan and brown color blocks and lines on the legs. The A pieces are the front legs A and A', blue and gold colors.

Each of the four legs has three pieces - the two sides and a center piece that folds down to form the interior front and back of the leg. The colored rectangle will be at the top of the leg. The bottom of each hoof is open. The color block at the top aligns with the colored line on the leg.

The curved flap above the colored line will attach to the outside of the body. Don't cut or fold that piece.

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## Step 1: the Legs

Here I've pre-folded the tabs on the interior back leg pieces. Before gluing, make sure you have the correct leg sides. They will be letter and color-coded. I show them grouped together in the image.

I start by gluing the interior piece to the side of the leg that has the curved flap at the top. The color block on the interior piece goes at the top of the leg, lining up with the colored line that runs across the leg.

I apply the glue first, but some tape helps hold the tabs down on the interior of the leg. Since it's on the inside, the tape won't be seen once the leg is fully assembled.

Remember the colored block will be visible across the top of the leg. Later they will be attached to the matching color block on the body.

Last of all, attach the remaining side piece to the interior leg structure.

All four of Sassy's legs are constructed the same way.

*I use a lot of glue. It shows as white in some of the photos, but when dry, it's clear and not noticeable.*



## Back Legs



## Front Legs



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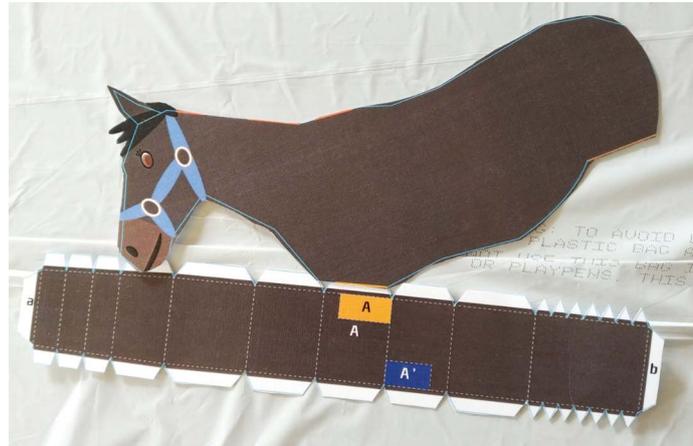
## Step 2: the Body

There are three pieces that form the interior of the body. Those three are at the far left in the photo showing all the pieces cut out.

Make sure you've cut the slots for the mane and tail before you glue these pieces in.

Take the left-facing side of Sassy and the part that shows the gold and blue A rectangles.

The gold A block aligns with the gold A line on the body as indicated in the photo.

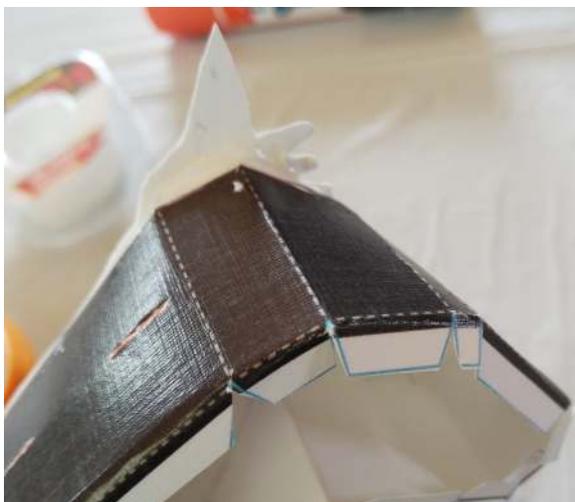


The interior piece folds up under her neck, around her muzzle, and back around her abdomen. I show it flat above to point out where it aligns with the body.

Next, I attached the piece with the tan and brown rectangles, B and B' to the back of the previous piece. This one folds up, around the hindquarters to the base of the neck.



The last piece is the one with the slots for the mane. Attach the C tab to the previous part. The other end of this folds up around the head - but does NOT go all the way around the ears and forelock. (see photo below)



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Once you have the three interior pieces attached and they are dry, I recommend inserting the mane and tail.

In the photo to the right, I forgot to do that, but it's easiest to do before completing the body. That way you can add some tape to hold them in place, if needed.

Once the mane and tail are inserted, glue on the other side of Sassy's body.



## Step 3: Attach Legs to Body

In the above right photo, I've shown her legs arranged as they will be attached to the body. Simply match the colors and letters.

I applied glue to the outside flaps as well as to the color blocks on either the top of the leg or bottom of her body.

Make sure the legs don't angle too much inward. A wider stance will make Sassy more stable.

I like to turn her upside down until her legs are fully dried.

If it turns out that she's a little lopsided and unsteady on her feet, put on your farrier cap and trim her hooves a bit with some scissors to make her more balanced.

Sassy can't wait to join Scamper and Kezzie!



*Help! I'm getting dizzy!*

