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 from a vintage ornament  
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**Materials:** 1 sheet of each dark purple and light purple felt, 2 sequins or rhinestones for eyes, black perle cotton or embroidery floss, scissors, needle & thread, glue or fusible "heat n bond" (optional), a little stuffing.

### How to make a purple cow:

1. Cut out pieces. Each piece should indicate how many you need and what color. If you would like to use fusible, fuse first and then cut all pieces but the cow body front and back from the fusible backed felt. You also have the option of gluing (the original was glued) or sewing everything on.

2. Apply dark purple ears to the cow back piece. In the original they were glued, on mine they are fused. You can fasten them any way you like.

3. Assemble cow face. Put muzzle and hair on top of cow face and fuse/glue/sew. Then attach this to the cow body front. Now is a good time to add the nostrils and eyelashes. I embroidered them on my cow with perle cotton. On the original, they were drawn with a sharpie. (I wait and add the eyes later, because they will melt if you iron them while fusing.) The tongue is a scrap I put in before fusing, by request of the recipient.

4. Then fuse/glue/sew the tail.

5. Stack the cow front and back on top of each other and stitch around the edges. I used small overcast or whip stitches and left an opening in the middle of the back for stuffing. Stitch most of the way around (be sure to stitch the sides of the head and leave the ears sticking out) and then add a little stuffing, so your cow is plump. Finish stitching him up.

6. Glue on the eyes. Add a ribbon or string for hanging.

