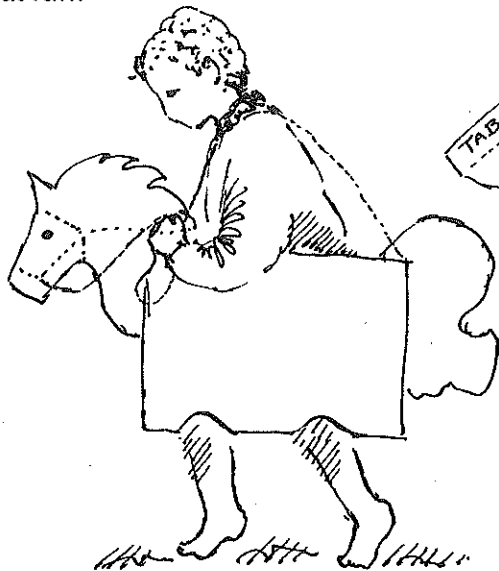


Get a head start on the world's greatest Halloween costume. Go big, go complicated! You certainly have the time and imagination. Here is something to get you started. If you use your imagination I am sure you can think of other costumes that this type of costume could be used for. Boxes can be turned into anything!!!

28 Hip horse

As a variation on the hobby horse this is great fun.



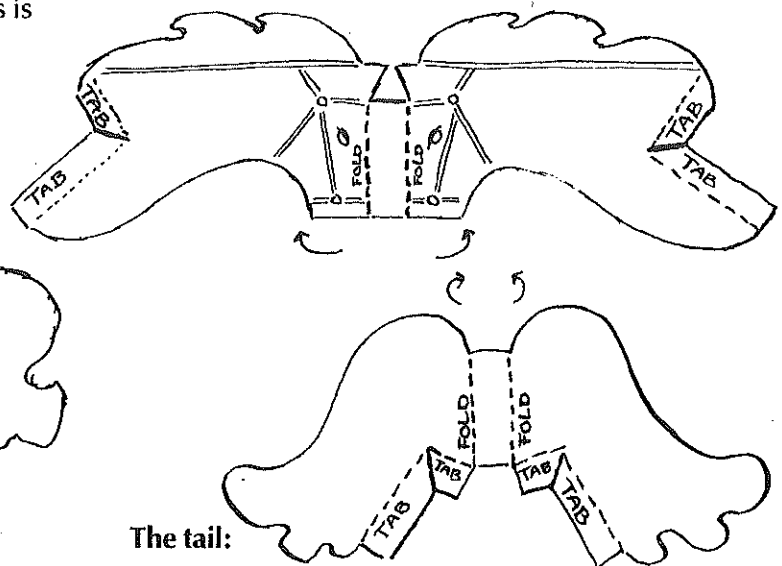
You will need:

- One cardboard box 30 x 40 x 30cms high
- 1 sq.m. of cardboard (40 x 40")
- 276cm lightweight rope or clothes line
- Paints
- Wool for mane and tail
- Odd bits of material for decorating

Instructions:

Take the cardboard box and cut the flaps off the top. Turn it upside down and cut out a piece of the bottom that goes right across the box and leaves 10cm at each end. This hole should be big enough to fit over your child's head and shoulders. Then cut away a scallop on each side of the box to suggest the horse's belly and legs. From the square

cardboard you cut out the horse's head and tail. Using up half the cardboard for the head, the other half for the tail.



The tail:

Fold the head and tail where shown. Then fold the tabs and sew or staple them to the cardboard box, head at one end and tail at the other.

Now your horse is ready to be decorated. Draw a saddle shape on each side of the box and around the hole. Paint your horse with some thick paint, tempera or acrylic, whatever colour you want. Paint the saddle, mane, tail and eyes. You can paint on the bridle if you do not want to use ribbon. The mane and tail can have wool added to make them really flowing.

