



In the Hoop Academy

Project II: Easy as Pie Eyeglass Case



Continue building skills and experience with this project which features multiple layers plus piecing and quilting – right “in the hoop” of your embroidery machine!

Let's get started!

Load the design on your machine.

Gather your supplies:

- 5x7 hoop
- Mesh stabilizer
- Fat quarter or ½ yard fabric
- Fat quarter or 1/8 yard of coordinating fabric
- ¼ yard batting

Prepare your materials:

- Cut your fabric as follows:
 - 1 – 6" width x 16" length of main fabric
 - 2 – 6" width x 8" length of main fabric
 - 1 – 6" width x 3" length of coordinating fabric
 - 2 – 6" x 8" piece of batting
- Fold/Press:
 - Fold and press the 6" x 16" piece to 6" x 8"
- Hoop a piece of mesh stabilizer.

Get ready to stitch!

1. Sew the first set of stitches directly on the stabilizer to create placement lines.

2. Center a piece of batting over the placement lines. Lay a piece of 6" x 8" fabric, face up, over the batting and tape it down along the edges to hold in place.



3. Sew the first set of stitches to create a basting stitch to tack the batting and fabric to your stabilizer. Remove the tape.



4. Sew the next set of stitches to create a placement line for the next step.



5. Take the 6" x 3" piece of coordinating fabric. Place it, face down, and align the top edge of the fabric on the placement line. Tape the fabric in place along the sides.



6. Sew the next set of stitches to tack down the fabric.



7. Fold the fabric piece up toward the top of the hoop and finger press the crease. Tape the sides and edges down to the stabilizer.



8. Sew the next set of stitches to tack down the fabric.



9. Sew the next set of stitches to create the quilting.



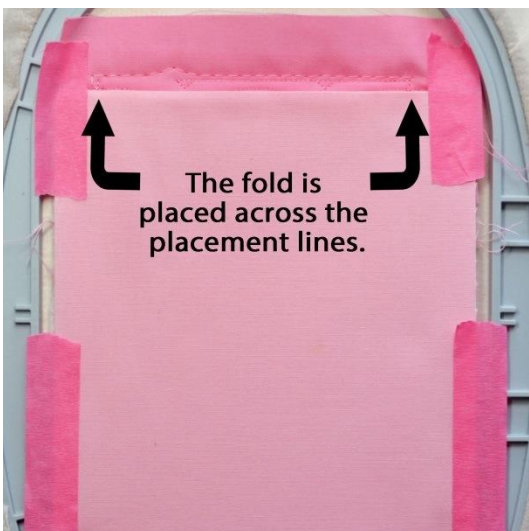
10. Sew the next set of stitches to create placement lines for the following step.



11. Take the 6" x 8" piece of folded fabric. Open it up and place the remaining piece of batting inside, butting it up against the inner fold. Fold the fabric back down, creating a sandwich of fabric/batting/fabric.



12. Take the above fabric sandwich and place the fold across the placement lines that you just stitched. Note: Make sure you place the fold across the *placement lines*, NOT the basting stitch that is above the placement lines!! Tape in place along the edges and bottom.



13. Sew the next set of stitches to stitch down the fabric/batting/fabric piece.



14. Center the final piece of fabric, face down, over the hoop, making sure it is covering all of the stitch lines. Tape in place along all four edges.



15. Sew the final set of stitches to stitch the fabrics together.



16. Remove the project from the hoop. Trim a ¼" seam allowance around the case, leaving a larger allowance near the opening.



17. Find the side opening between the two back pieces of fabric. Turn your case inside out through this opening. Poke out the corners well.

(Don't panic that your case doesn't look right at this point – it's still inside out!)



18. There are a few options to take care of the little opening. You can whipstitch it closed by hand, you can use fusible seam tape, or you can leave it open as it will be hidden inside the finished case (we won't tell!)



19. Reach inside the opening at the top of the case and turn it inside out one more time, and poke out the corners well.

Ta-da!



Congratulations on finishing your Easy as Pie Eyeglass Case!



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