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Stitching with a Mission

Inspiring the world around us



Machine Embroidered Appliqué

Creating beauty, inspiration & infinite creative joy

To heal the heart & nourish the soul



WELCOME!

- 1) Machine Embroidered Appliqué:
Back to Basics
- 2) Intermission
- 3) Expanding the possibilities of
your embroidery machine

Machine Embroidered Appliqué

Back to Basics





What you will need:

- ✓ Embroidery machine
 - ⇒ Any make or model
- ✓ Embroidery hoop
 - ⇒ The smallest hoop that will hold the design
- ✓ Embroidery thread
 - ⇒ AURIfil Cotton Mako
 - ⇒ Floriani Embroidery Thread
- ✓ Bobbin Thread
 - ⇒ Superior Bottom Line, #619 Tan
- ✓ Stabilizer
 - ⇒ OESD Ultra Clean N Tear
 - ⇒ Floriani Stitch N Wash
- ✓ Fabric
- ✓ Precut appliqué shapes
- ✓ Needles
 - ⇒ Superior Titanium Top Stitch
 - ⇒ Size 80/12

What you will need:

- ✓ Pins
- ✓ Scotch Magic Tape
- ✓ Double Sided Scotch Tape
- ✓ Thread snips or small scissors
 - ⇒ Havel's Double Curved Scissors
Extra Fine
- ✓ Tweezers
- ✓ Fine point Sharpie Pen or 0.5mm
mechanical pencil
- ✓ Quilter's ruler
- ✓ Small iron
 - ⇒ Clover Wedge Iron
- ✓ Ironing board
 - ⇒ June Tailor
Cushioned Quilter's Square N Blocker

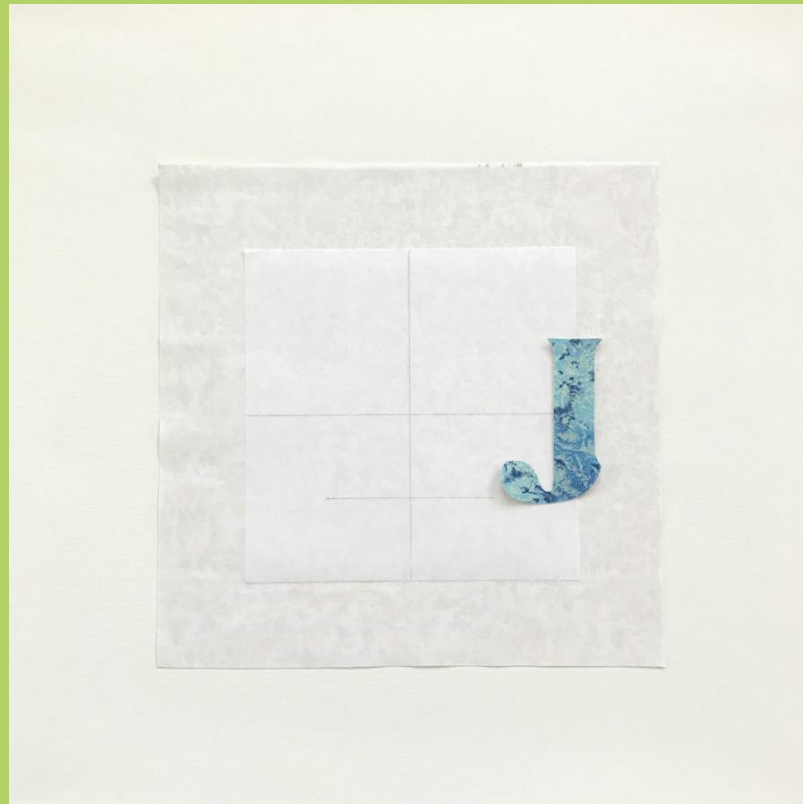
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Step 1:

- ✓ Prepare your appliqué shape(s)
 - ⇒ Heat N Bond Lite
 - ⇒ Quilters Select Appli-Web Plus

Step 2:

- ✓ Prepare your background fabric
 - ⇒ Floriani Heat N Sta Tearaway
 - ⇒ OESD Fusible Tearaway



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Step 3:

- ✓ Prepare your hoop
 - ⇒ OESD Ultra Clean N Tear
 - ⇒ Floriani Stitch N Wash



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Step 4:

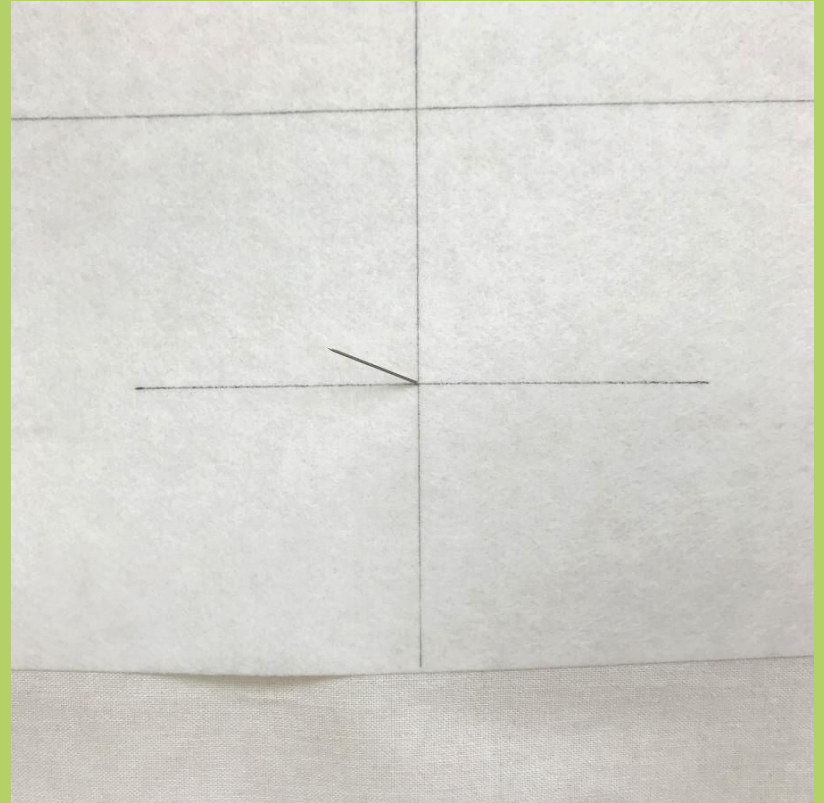
- ✓ Load the design into your embroidery machine
- ✓ Stitch color #1
 - ⇒ Placement line showing you where to position the background fabric



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Step 5:

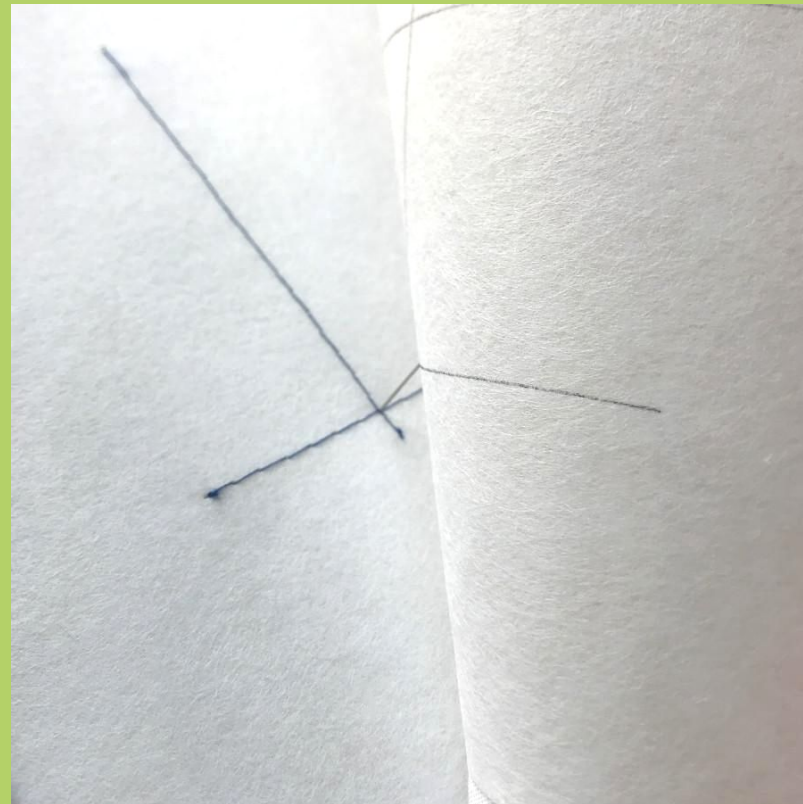
- ✓ Position the background fabric **ON** the stabilizer in the hoop
 - ⇒ From the right side of the background fabric, poke a pin through the intersection



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Step 5 cont:

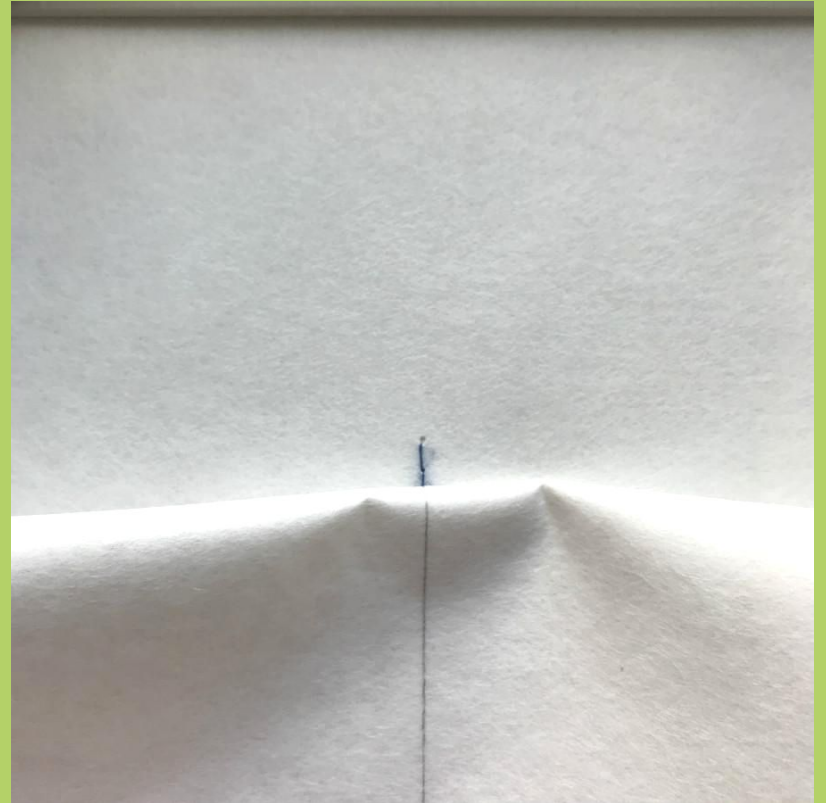
- ✓ Position the background fabric **ON** the stabilizer in the hoop
 - ⇒ Put the hoop on your ironing board
 - ⇒ Guide the pin through the intersection stitched on the stabilizer in the hoop
 - ⇒ Push the pin all the way in
 - ⇒ Rotate the background fabric around the pin until aligned



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To check for alignment:

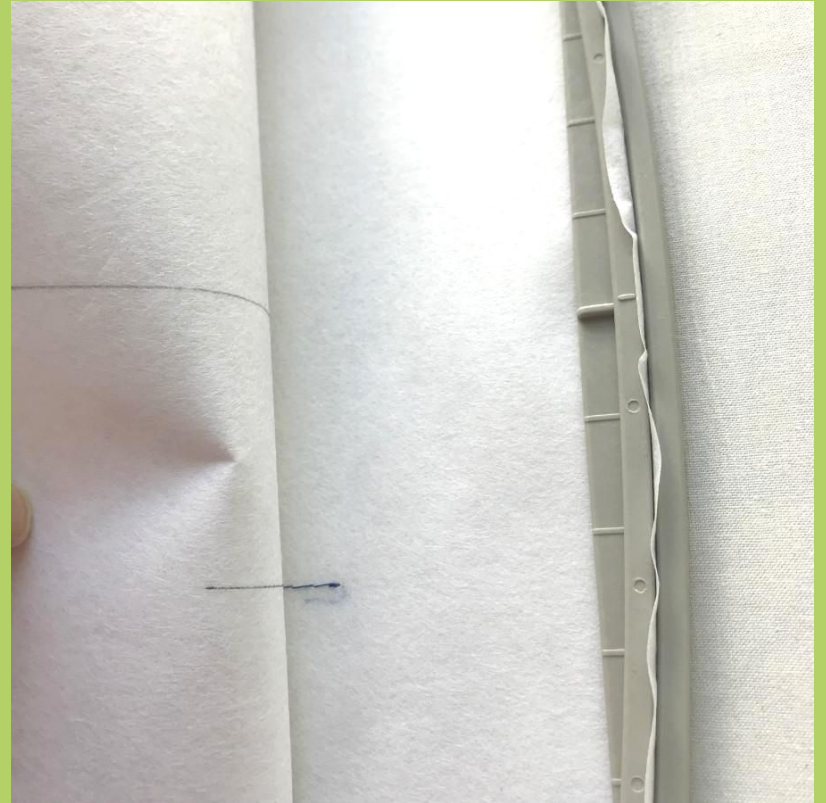
- ✓ Turn down the top edge of the background fabric until you can see the stitching line on the stabilizer



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To check for alignment:

- ✓ Turn in the right hand edge of the background fabric until you can see the stitching line on the stabilizer
- ✓ Repeat on the left hand edge of the background fabric



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Step 5 cont:

- ✓ Hold the background fabric in place on the stabilizer in the hoop with a few pins



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One last check for alignment:

- ✓ Turn the hoop over and look from the back
- ✓ The stitching line on the stabilizer in the hoop should be aligned with the markings on the stabilizer that is fused to the back of the background fabric



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Step 6:

- ✓ Return the hoop to the machine
- ✓ Stitch color #2
 - ⇒ Placement line showing you where to position the appliqué shape

Note:

Most of my designs include a basting line in color #2, to ensure that the background fabric is secured onto the stabilizer in the hoop. The projects I'm sharing this evening are one of the few times when I'm not worried about NOT having the basting line



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Step 6 cont:

- ✓ Fuse the appliqué shape in place!



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Step 7:

- ✓ Continue stitching, changing colors as desired



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Step 8:

- ✓ Remove everything from the hoop
- ✓ Carefully tear away the stabilizer that was in the hoop



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Step 8:

- ✓ Give your project a gentle press with a dry iron
 - ⇒ Place the embroidery right side down on your padded ironing board

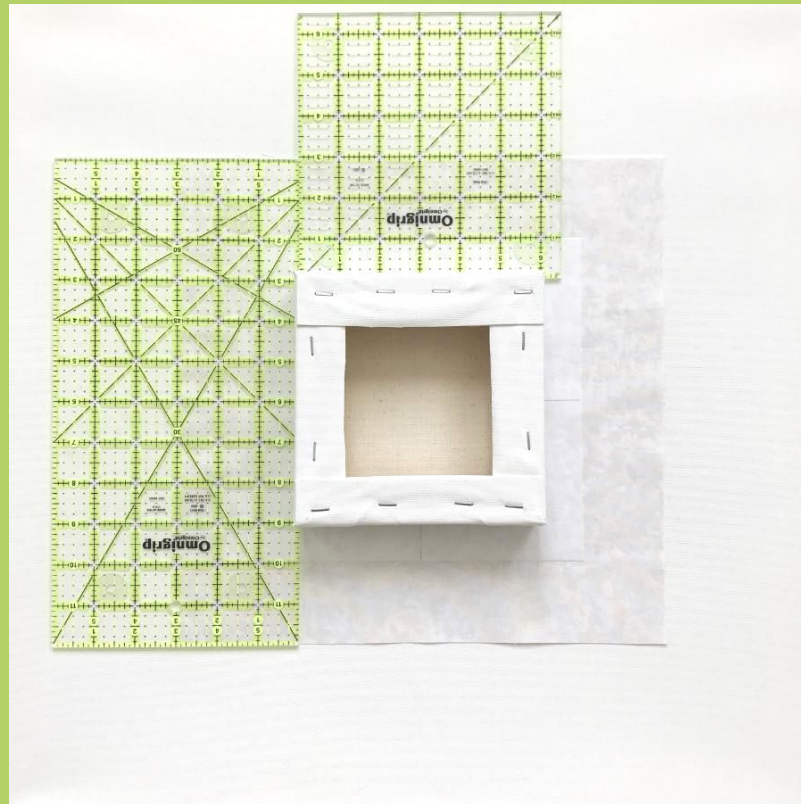


Finish it
with
NO
Quilting
Required!

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Step 1:

- ✓ Place the finished embroidered appliqué right side down on a flat surface
- ✓ Center the painters canvas right side down on the embroidered appliqué



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Step 2:

- ✓ Put a length of Scotch Double Sided Tape along the top and bottom of the canvas
- ✓ You could also use fusible webbing instead of the double sided tape



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Step 3:

- ✓ Fold the top down and press onto the double sided tape
- ✓ Fold the top up and press onto the double sided tape



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Step 4:

- ✓ Push the sides into the center of the side of the canvas
- ✓ Press to create sharp creases
- ✓ Cut a piece of fusible webbing and fuse it to the top right side of the canvas



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Step 5:

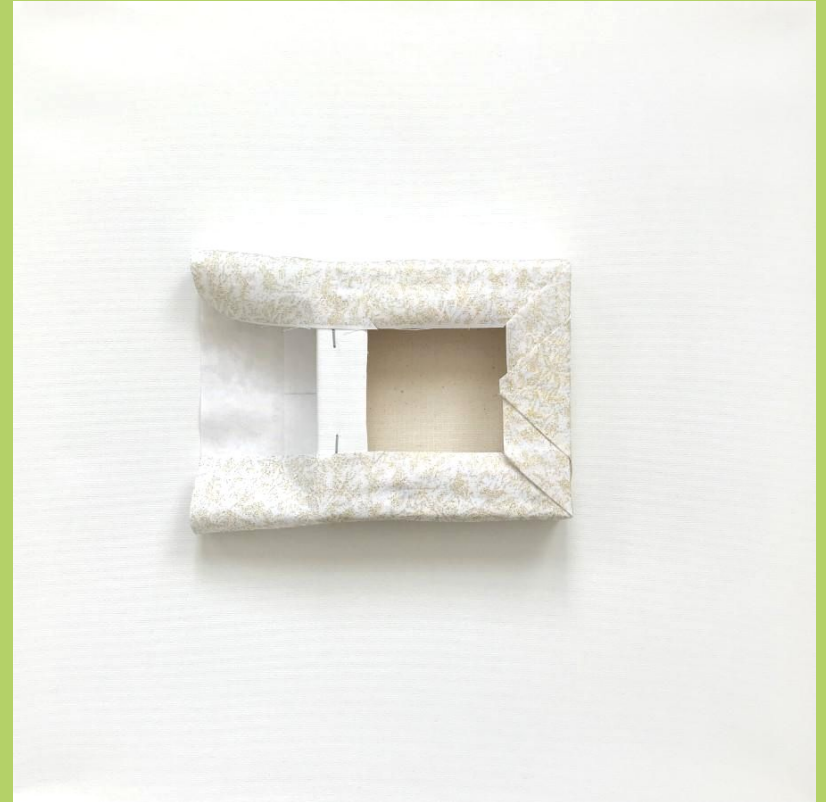
- ✓ Fuse the top part of the right hand side onto the fusible webbing
- ✓ Fuse a triangle of fusible webbing onto the bottom part of the right hand side



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Step 6:

- ✓ Fold the bottom part of the right hand side up and onto the top of the canvas
- ✓ Fuse into place, both on the side and on the top



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Step 7:

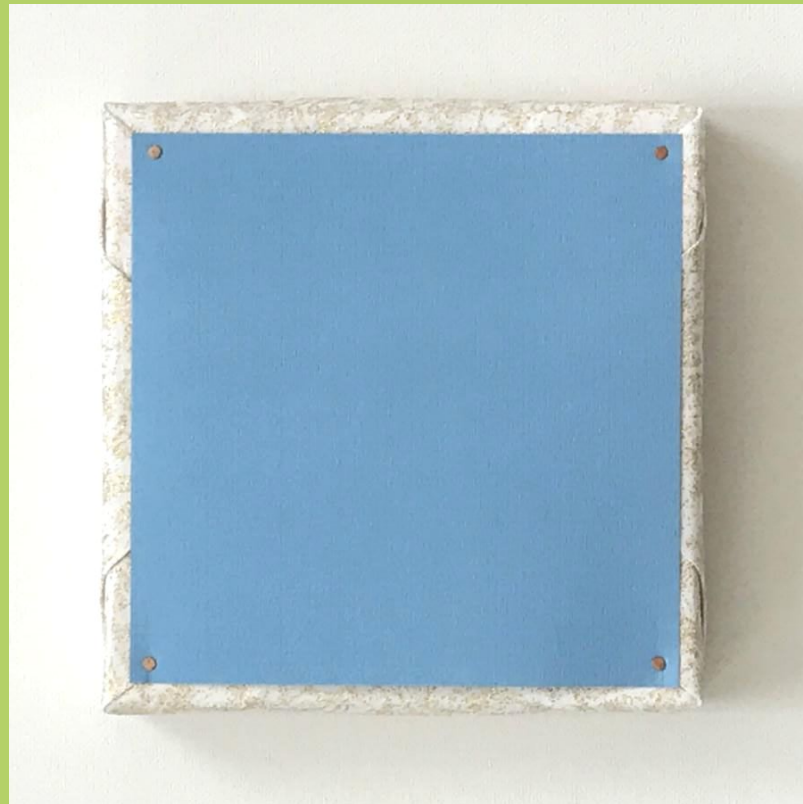
- ✓ Repeat on the left hand side



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Step 8:

- ✓ Optional:
 - ⇒ Cut a piece of card about ½” smaller than the canvas
 - ⇒ Use some tacks to hold it in place on the back of the canvas
 - ⇒ You could also use a piece of fabric instead of card



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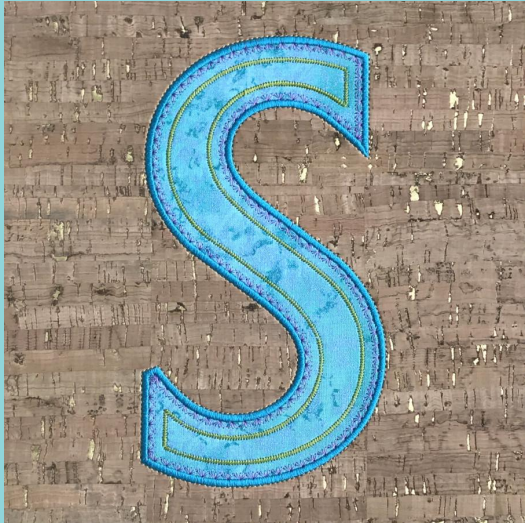
Step 9:

- ✓ Display and enjoy!



Coming up...

Expanding the possibilities of
your embroidery machine



AND working with cork fabric



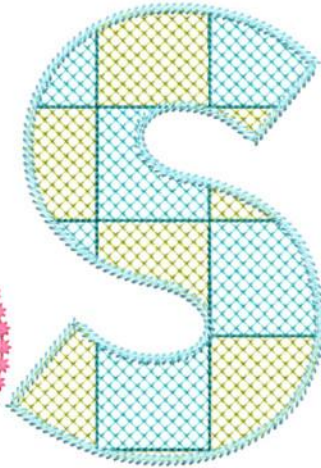
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2.5"
64mm



4.3"
110mm



5"
127mm

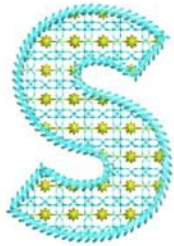


4.6"
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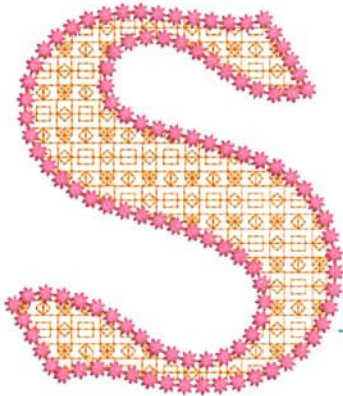


7.9"
199mm

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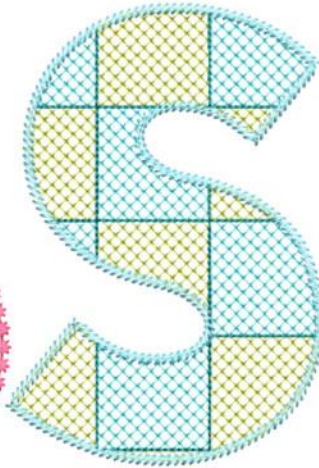


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Alphabet Soup

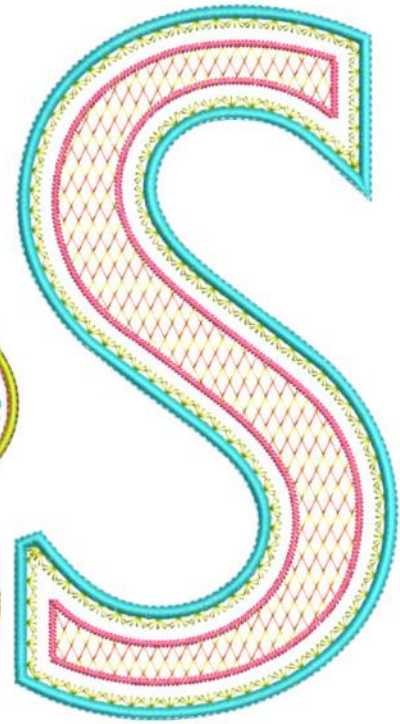
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5i



Express
Yourself



Let There Be
LOVE

A special deal for you!

Design Collection	100mm x 100mm Special 1 (20%) \$19.97 \$25	130mm x 180mm Special 2 (23%) \$84.97 \$110	150mm x 240mm Special 3 (26%) \$154.97 \$210	200mm x 250mm Special 4 (30%) \$234.97 \$340
Alphabet Soup 3i (\$25)	X	X	X	X
Alphabet Soup 4i (\$25)		X	X	X
Alphabet Soup 5i (\$25)			X	X
Express Yourself (\$60)		X	X	X
Let There Be LOVE Lowercase (\$75)			X	X
Let There Be LOVE Uppercase (\$75)				X
Let There Be LOVE Pillows (\$45)				X
Let There Be LOVE WELCOME (\$10)				X
MEA Care Package	X	X	X	X

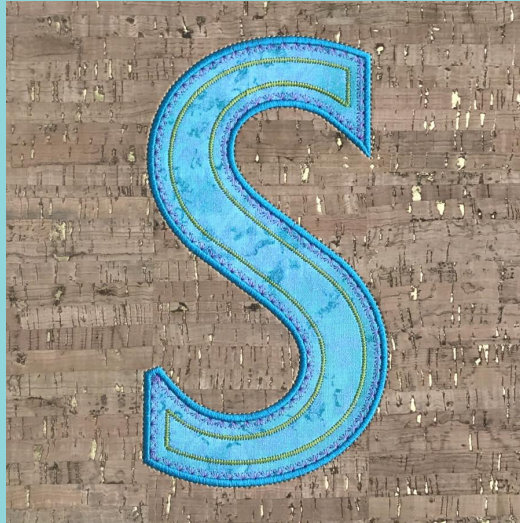




Believe



Expanding the possibilities of your embroidery machine



AND working with cork fabric



Now that you know how to stitch a design exactly where you want it on a piece of background fabric...

it doesn't matter how many designs get stitched on that one piece of background fabric!!!

Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

It's all about marking the background fabric!

- ✓ Floriani Heat N Sta Tearaway
- ✓ OESD Fusible Tearaway

If you don't have fusible stabilizer but you do have fusible webbing, use the fusible webbing to fuse a non-fusible stabilizer!

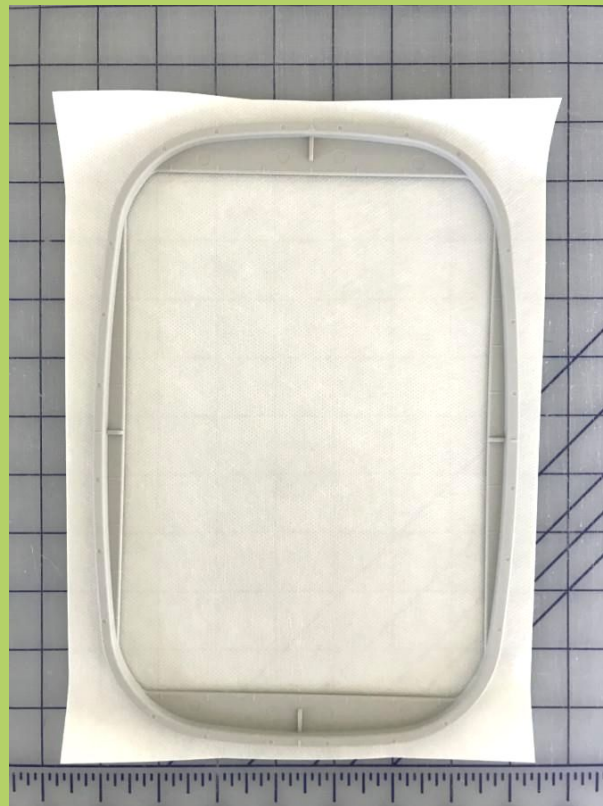
Request the **Machine Embroidered Appliqué care package** to get the dimensions for using each of the alphabets to create vertical banners



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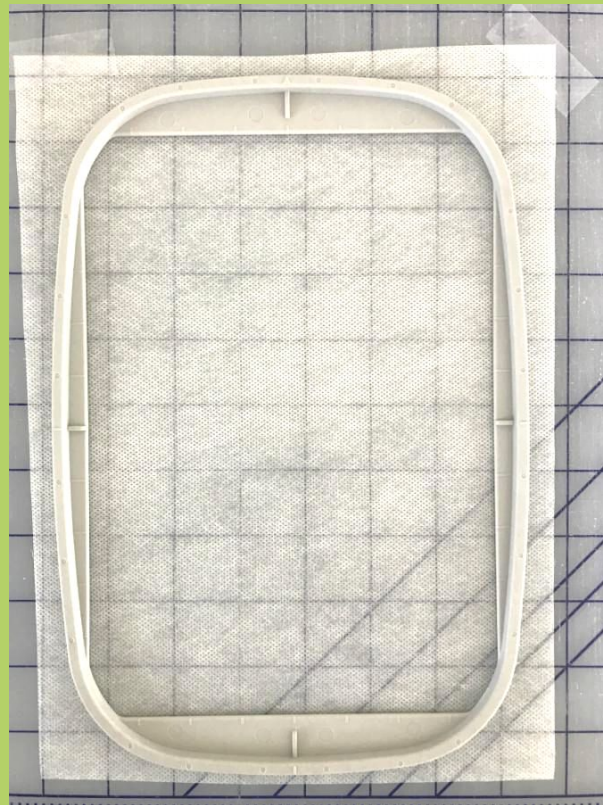
Working with cork fabric as the background requires a slightly different stabilizer recipe for the hoop:

- ✓ Cut a piece of sticky stabilizer slightly bigger than the inner hoop
 - ⇒ Floriani Perfect Stick Tearaway (white)
 - ⇒ RNK Stick Stitch Tear (black)
 - ⇒ OESD Stabil Stick Tearaway
 - ⇒ OESD Aquamesh Plus



Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

- ✓ Place the sticky stabilizer right side down on your cutting table
- ✓ Remove the backing paper from the stabilizer
- ✓ Use some Scotch Magic Tape to hold the stabilizer in place
- ✓ Center the inner hoop on the stabilizer



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- ✓ Put the inner hoop into the outer hoop and tighten the outer hoop to secure



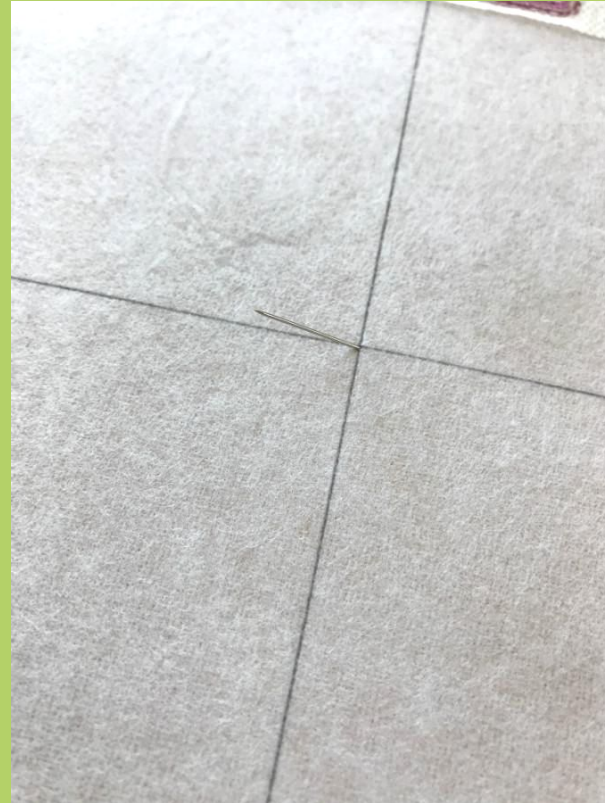
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- ✓ Load the design into your embroidery machine
- ✓ Stitch color #1
 - ⇒ Placement line showing you where to position the background fabric



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- ✓ Position the background fabric **ON** the stabilizer in the hoop
 - ⇒ From the right side of the background fabric, poke a pin through the intersection



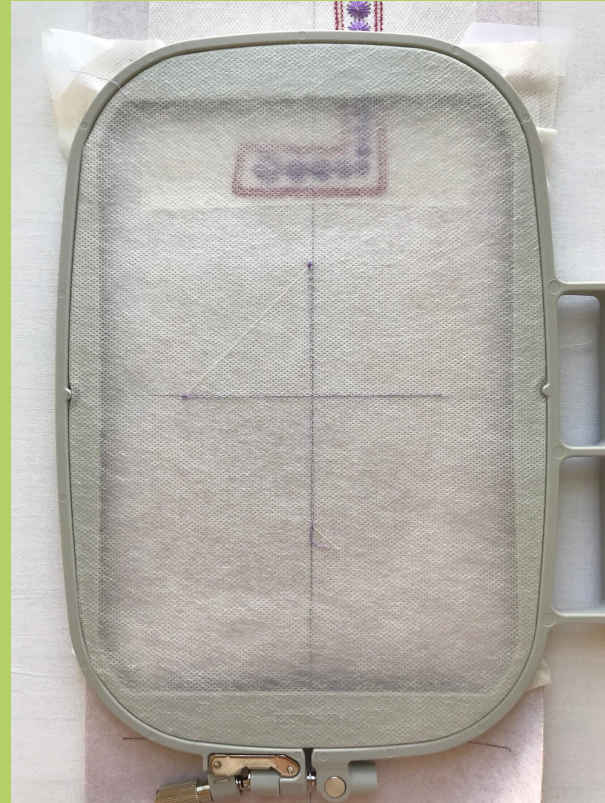
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- ✓ Position the background fabric **ON** the stabilizer in the hoop
 - ⇒ Put the hoop on your ironing board
 - ⇒ Guide the pin through the intersection stitched on the stabilizer in the hoop
 - ⇒ Push the pin **most of** the way in
 - ⇒ Rotate the background fabric around the pin until aligned
 - ⇒ Press the background fabric onto the sticky stabilizer



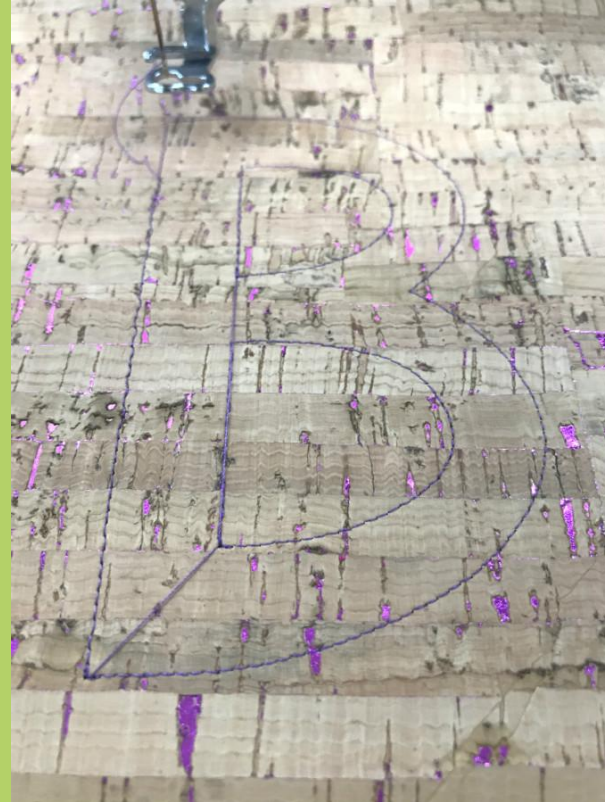
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- ✓ Check your alignment from the back of the hoop
 - ⇒ Reposition as necessary



Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

- ✓ Stitch color #2
 - ⇒ Placement line showing you where to position the appliqué shape
 - ⇒ If stitching onto cork fabric:
DON'T STITCH THE BASTING LINE!



Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

- ✓ Fuse the appliqué shape in place



Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

- ✓ Continue stitching, changing colors as desired

BUT BEWARE!

- ✓ Sticky stabilizer tends to be **VERY** sticky
- ✓ It **WILL** leave gummy residue on your needle
- ✓ Discard the needle when your “sticky” project is finished



Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

- ✓ Cork fabric doesn't need to be finished!
- ✓ Fuse a piece of fabric to the back to cover the back of the embroidered appliqué
- ✓ Top stitch around the edges



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- ✓ Hanging it version 1:
 - ⇒ Use double sided tape to wrap the end around a wooden dowel
 - ⇒ Scotch Indoor Mounting Tape



Expanding the Possibilities of your Embroidery Machine

- ✓ Hanging it version 2:
 - ⇒ Wrap a piece of fabric around some PVC pipe
 - ⇒ Insert a chain through the pipe



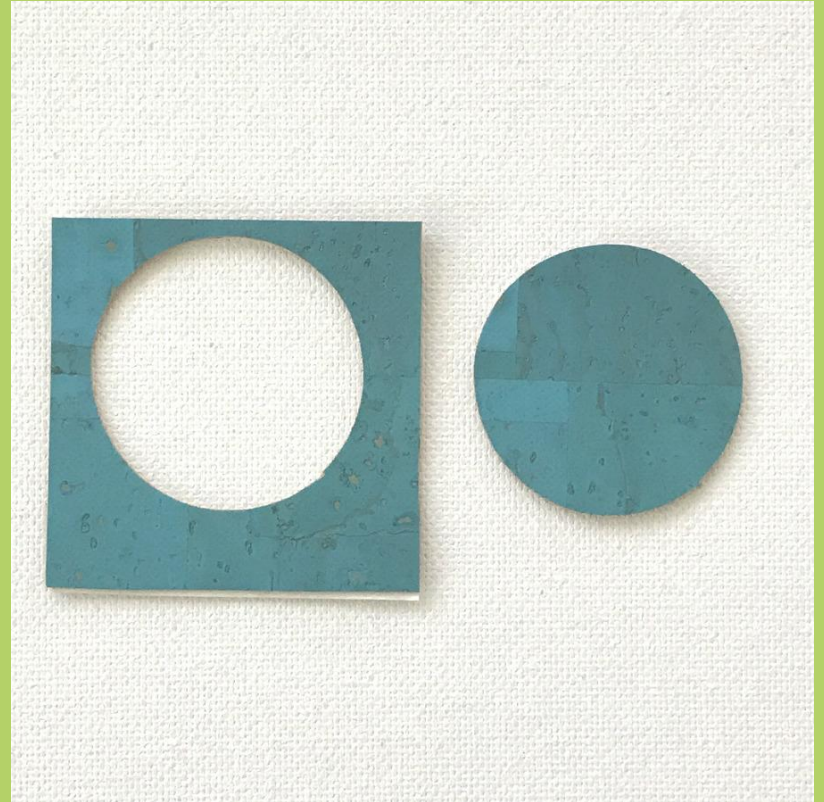
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- ✓ Cork fabric sews very well :-)



A little extra!

- ✓ Cork fabric also cuts very well with an electronic cutting machine!
 - ⇒ On my Brother ScanNCut, a blade setting of 12 was a little too deep.
 - ⇒ Try a blade setting of 8 to start with and adjust as necessary

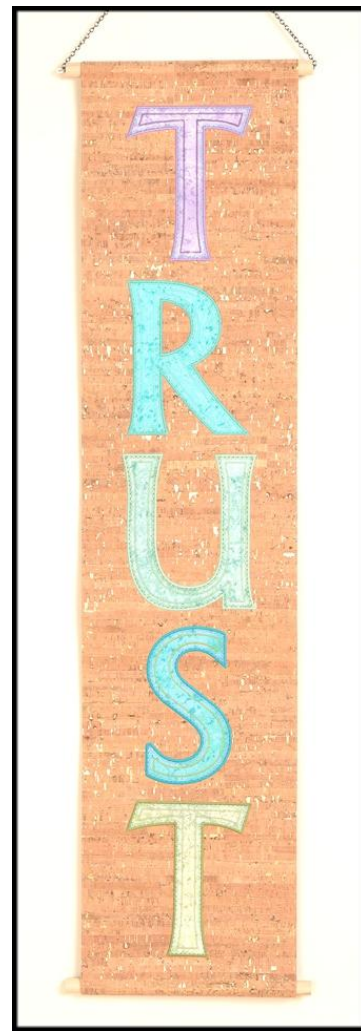




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