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Cindy Hogan has been sewing since childhood, having been taught by her grandmother. She has been in the embroidery industry for many years, teaching embroidery software and embroidery machine operation. Her background in Special Education and love of crafting has led her to share her interests to many through her teaching, writing and blog. She is delighted to be able to have combined her passions for crafting, sewing, embroidery, software, and teaching into a successful career.

MATERIALS:

2 pieces of matching fabric cut to 10" x 14"

2 pieces of light weight batting cut to 10" x 14" (such as Warm N Natural)

3 pieces of SA541 water soluble stabilizer to fit the 8" x 12" hoop

2 scraps of fabric for the appliqué (one color for the leaves and one color for the flower)

Adhesive iron-on backing for the appliqué pieces

Brother embroidery machine with an 8" x 12" or larger hoop size

Download the 3 free embroidery designs to complete the project

Embroidery threads of your choice

2 elastic headbands that match fabric

Standard Mat 12" x 12" (Note: If you lint this, apply a little lint on it by rubbing it on your clothes. You can usually place the fabric with the adhesive backing face up on the mat. I suggest testing a small piece before placing all your fabric on the mat in this manner.)

Standard Blade

High Tack Adhesive Fabric Support Sheet (Note: If you use this, place your fabrics upside down on the mat.)


step 1. Adhere the iron-on backing to the back of your appliqué fabrics.


step 2. Bring backing to the embroidery machine.


step 3. Open Embroidery Edit.

step 4. Select the E-Reader front design and press Set.


step 5. Press the Color Change icon  on the machine.

step 6. Press the Forward Color button  until you see the placement stitch for the first piece of the appliqué. There are 3 pieces that are appliqué in this design (the 2 leaves and the flower). The first stitch segment of each of those will be the placement stitch.

step 7. Once the segment is selected, change the color to Appliqué material.  (It is at the bottom right of the color screen and has scissors on the color tile.)

step 8. Press the Forward Color button  again until you come to the next appliqué placement stitch.

step 9. Change the color to Appliqué material. 

step 10. Press the Forward Color button  until you come to the last appliqué placement stitch.


step 11. Change the color to Appliqué material. 


step 12. Press OK.

step 13. Press Sewing. 

step 14. Press the Memory button  and then choose USB.  The design will be saved out as a .phc file for the ScanNCut machine.

step 15. Load the USB stick into the ScanNCut machine.




step 16. Choose Pattern. 

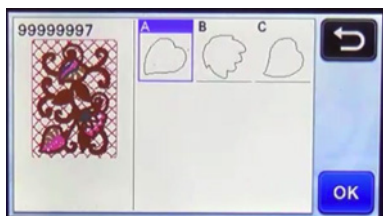
step 17. Choose Saved Data. 


step 18. Choose From USB. 

step 19. Select the .phc file you saved. (Note: If you changed the color in PE-DESIGN® or PE-DESIGN® PLUS, the file will be a .pes file instead.)



step 20. There are 3 pieces that will appear. Click on piece A  and choose OK  and then Set. 




step 21. Press Add  to add the other pieces into the cut canvas.

step 22. Press piece B,  click OK  and then Set. 

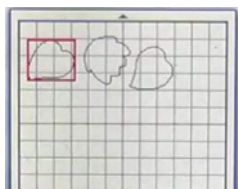
step 23. Press Add. 

step 24. Press piece C,  click OK  and then Set. 


step 25. All 3 pieces will be on the mat.

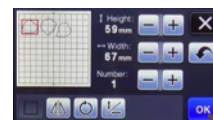
step 26. Click on the Edit/Layout menu. 

step 27. Move the pieces around on the canvas to get them away from the sides of the mat area.



step 28. Resize button/Pattern Editing button. 

step 29. Increase the size of the pattern piece by 1 mm and press OK.  It will resize proportionally as long as you haven't hit the button with the arrows. Do this for all 3 pieces.



step 30. Place the fabric for all 3 pieces onto the mat. You will use 2 pieces of fabric, one for the leaves and a one for the flower.

step 31. Press OK  to get out of the Edit/Resize menu and then press Scan  to scan your fabric.

step 32. Arrange the pieces on top of the fabric you wish to cut.



step 33. Press OK  and then press Cut. 

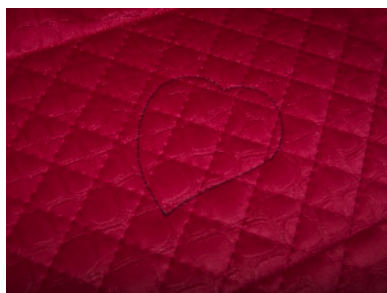
step 34. Press Start  and your fabric will be cut.

step 35. Hoop a piece of SA541 water soluble stabilizer in an 8" x 12" or larger hoop.

step 36. Layer the batting on top and then the fabric on top of that.



step 37. Stitch to the first appliqué piece.



step 38. Remove the hoop from the machine carefully and then lay the appliqué piece on top of the stitch line and press into place.



step 39. Place the hoop back into the machine.

step 40. Stitch through to the next placement stitch.

step 41. Remove the hoop from the machine carefully and then lay the appliqué piece on top of the stitch line and press into place.

step 42. Place the hoop back into the machine.

step 43. Stitch up to the next placement stitch.

step 44. Remove the hoop from the machine carefully and then lay the appliqué piece on top of the stitch line and press into place. You should now have all the pieces of the appliqué in place.



step 45. Place the hoop back into the machine. If your stitches are looping, you may wish to increase the height of the embroidery foot in the machine settings. This design has some long satin stitches and raising the embroidery foot can help.

step 46. Finish the embroidery design.

step 47. Remove the hoop from the machine and remove the E-Reader front from the hoop.

step 48. Hoop a second piece of SA541 water soluble stabilizer in an 8" x 12" or larger hoop.

step 49. Lay the batting and the fabric on top as you did for the front of the E-Reader cover.

step 50. Insert the hoop into the machine.

step 51. Open the E-Reader inside embroidery file in Embroidery Edit.

step 52. Stitch up to the second set of placement lines for the elastic (there are 8 of these on the right side of the design). This step may be a bit confusing as it is a set of placement stitches, tack down stitches and covering stitches for the elastic to hold the E-Reader in place. Stitch the first set of lines.



step 53. Remove the hoop from the machine.

step 54. Cut the headband into 2 1/2" pieces (you need 4 pieces).

step 55. Lay these across the placement stitches for the elastic in each of the 4 corners of the right side.



step 56. Tape into place with painter's tape. It is a good idea to place a piece of painter's tape in the center of each piece of the elastic to keep the embroidery foot from catching as well.



step 57. Place the hoop back into the machine.

step 58. Increase the height of your embroidery foot in the Settings of the machine to make sure it can clear the elastic.

step 59. Stitch the tack down lines. Stay at your machine and watch it embroider so that you can stop it if the elastic moves or gets caught by the machine.

step 60. Remove the hoop from the machine.

step 61. Remove the tape from the elastic ends, but keep it on the center of the elastic so the embroidery foot doesn't catch.

step 62. Trim the elastic close to the tack down stitches.

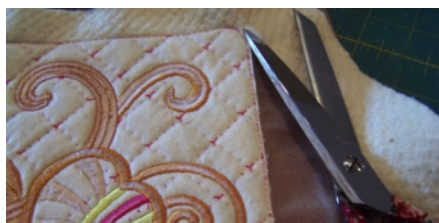


step 63. Place the hoop back into the machine and stitch the covering stitches for the elastic.



step 64. Remove the hoop from the machine and the project from the hoop.

step 65. Trim the batting for the front and inside up to the stitch line to reduce the bulk in the seam.



step 66. Trim around the edges to 1/2" from the outermost stitch line on all 4 sides of both pieces.

step 67. Hoop the third piece of SA541 water soluble stabilizer.

step 68. Open the "normal, put-it-together" embroidery file. Check to see if it is the correct size by using the trial sew button on the embroidery machine. If it is too large, choose the other "combining stitches if project shrinks" file. When batting is used, the design can pull and you may need to use the smaller, combining the stitches.

step 69. Stitch the first design segment.

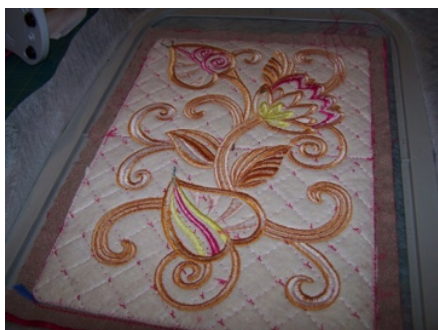
step 70. Mark the center of both the E-Reader front and the E-Reader inside.

step 71. Place the E-Reader (inside, face up) on the SA541 water soluble stabilizer and match it up to the stitch line. Tape it into place with painter's tape. Back up to the first color so you can use the trial sew button and check all the needle drop spots. If you have a Quattro® or THE Dream Machine, you can scan after you place the fabric on top to see if you are in the correct place.

step 72. Place a piece of the headband elastic across the width of the project and stitch into place by running the first stitch a second time.



step 73. Place the front of the E-Reader (right side down) on top of the inside piece. Match up the center stitch lines and tape into place.



step 74. Stitch the front to the inside.

step 75. Remove from the machine and trim to a 1/4" seam from the outer most stitch line.

step 76. Trim the curves as well.

step 77. Turn the project through the opening in the bottom.

step 78. Push out the corners with a point turner (or pencil eraser if you don't have a point turner).



step 79. Press and then pin or clip the opening closed.



step 80. Whip stitch together or stitch together with a sewing machine.

step 81. Insert your E-Reader and enjoy!



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