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Our Brother Free Design this month is a gorgeous fall leaf design. We stitched the design in an 8-inch hoop and used a built-in circular frame to help create the circular combination of motifs. Embroidered on a ready-made napkin, this makes the perfect centerpiece for your fall gatherings and holiday dinners.

Materials and Supplies

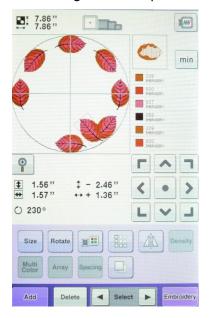
• Brother combination machine, or <u>Brother Embroidery Machine</u> and Brother sewing machine

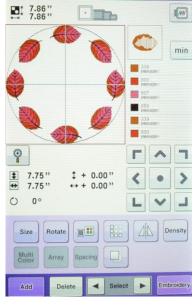
Note: We used the Brother PRS-100 Persona machine and an 8-inch hoop for our featured embroidery design.

- Brother Embroidery Threads and Brother Bobbin Thread
- SA5810 Brother Medium Weight Tear-Away Stabilizer
- Brother Free Design, Fall Leaf.pes
- 20-inch square, high quality napkin.
- One package of wide single fold bias tape 3 yd. X .875-inch wide for trimming napkin edge.
- Medium weight fusible interfacing for wrong side of napkin.

Instructions for Creating Table Mat

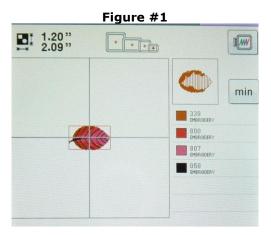
- Cut interfacing approximately ½-inch smaller than the napkin.
 Fuse interfacing to the wrong side of the napkin square to make it firm. Transfer design to the machine. *See Figure #1.
- 2. Use features available in the Edit mode of machine to copy, paste, and rotate leaf design, making a circle of leaves. We selected a circular frame from the built in frame designs to use as a background template. Delete circle after pattern is formed.













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- 3. To minimize color changes on the PRS-100 machine we selected the icon for color sorting. With this feature the machine will continually stitch each color in the leaves for a maximum of <u>four</u> thread changes as opposed to <u>thirty-two!</u>
 *See **Figure #2.**
- 4. Layer napkin with tear-away stabilizer and position in center of 8-inch hoop. Embroider circle of leaves. *See **Figure #3.**
- 5. Remove excess tear away and press. Pin bias approximately ½-inch from finished edge. Turn raw edge of binding under 1-inch at each end and press.
- 6. Select a stitch such as the Quilting Appliqué stitch shown below.





Note: We used the MuVit[™] digital dual feed foot along with the open toe accessory to stitch a smooth line on the bias. In addition, we used the Sew Straight Laser guide along the edge of the bias to help keep the stitching even.

- 7. Sew along edges of binding, sewing each set of two parallel rows and opening the ends so they neatly overlap at the corners. *See **Figure #4.**
- 8. Use a straight stitch to anchor each end of the bias.



You are finished!

