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You'll love this 5" x 7" Love Bear zippered bag! Very easy to make in just one hooping on your embroidery machine. Cutting is made simple: Use the ScanNCut to cut out the appliqué! Make one for yourself, and a few more for gifts! It's fully lined and features no raw edges on the inside.

MATERIALS:

Stabilizer

Quilt Batting (low loft)

Brown Nylon Zipper

Lining fabric (to match bag color)

Brown Bear Fabric

Pink Cotton Fabric (Heart)

Cream Cotton Fabric (Paws, Muzzle)

Iron-On Fusible

Approx. 1/2" wide ribbon or cording

1 piece medium cutaway to fit hoop

1 piece 6" x 2" Front Top

1 piece 6" x 6" Front Bottom

1 piece 6" x 8" Back

9" long

1 piece 7" x 3" Lining Top

1 piece 7" x 7" Lining Bottom

1 piece 7" x 9" Lining Back

1 piece 7" x 3" Front Top

1 piece 7" x 7" Front Bottom

1 piece 7" x 9" Back

1 piece 5" x 5"

1 piece 5.5" x 6"

1 piece 5" x 5"

1 piece 5.5" x 6"

1 piece 4" long

THREAD LIST: (FIG. "SEW ORDER")

Tan: Steps 1-4, Zipper placement; lower zipper stitch; appliqué placement lines; satin stitching around muzzle

Black: Step 5, Eyes; Nose

Pink: Step 6 Heart satin stitches

Tan: Steps 7-11 Paws satin stitches; upper zipper stitch; Ears; finishing the bag

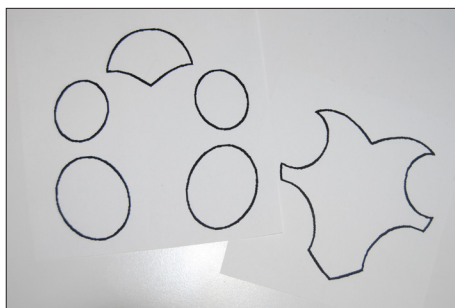
Helpful Tips:

- Read all of the instructions completely before beginning. Then read each step again as you proceed with the project.
- Do NOT use a metal zipper (or you'll be sorry!). Use only nylon (not chunky plastic).
- Pay close attention to which side of your fabric is facing – up or down!
- When taping or pinning, be sure to keep tape and pins out of the way of the stitching!
- Keep your fabric taut when you pin or tape. When it's time to open the zipper, do not forget this step!
- The tearaway stabilizer is for use over the top of the batting, as it is to keep the machine's foot from hanging up in the batting. If you use a batting that is dense, and your foot glides easily over it, you may not need this stabilizer

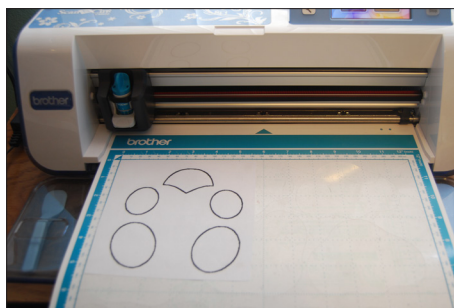
TO MAKE THE APPLIQUÉS

step 1. Print the PDF images to actual size.

*Note: that the images are reversed from the actual appliquéd bag.
This is because you'll be cutting with the “wrong” side of the fabric facing up.*



step 2. Place the printed image on the Standard Scan Mat and press “SCAN,” and then “Scan-to-Cut Data.”



- step 3.** Then press the “Scan Outline” button. At this point, you can resize the cutting area, using the red arrows on the screen.



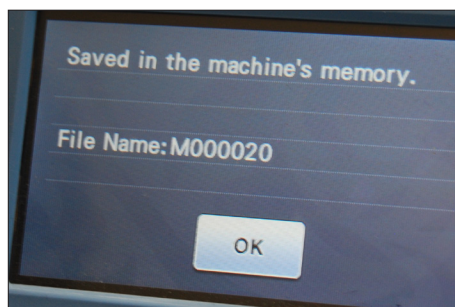
Note: Operations manual suggests using the standard mat with the high tack fabric support sheet.

- step 4.** Press “Save,” and on the next screen, choose the ScanNCut picture. You’ll see a message that says “Saved in the machine’s memory” and a File Name. Make note of the File Name.

Now, press the “Home” button on the far left and then choose “Pattern” on the screen. Choose “Saved Data,” and then the ScanNCut picture again. Find your saved pattern and press it.

Do this process for each of the two appliqué colors (Pink = Heart, Cream = Paws + Muzzle).

You are now ready to prepare your fabrics and cut!



PREPARE YOUR FABRIC:

step 1. On the ScanNCut, press the “Wrench” button on the far left to show you the settings. Set the “Cut Speed” to “1” and the “Cut Pressure” to “5”.



step 2. The blade should be set at “4” or “4.5”.

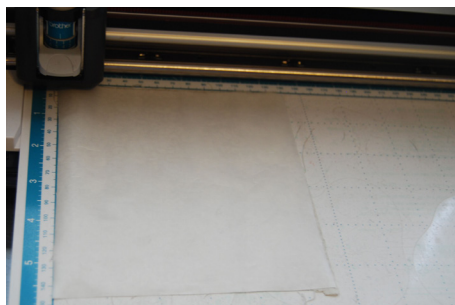


step 3. You'll be using your Low Tack Adhesive Mat, with the fabric support adhered to it. Iron the adhesive backing onto the back of the 5.5" x 6" piece of Cream-colored fabric.

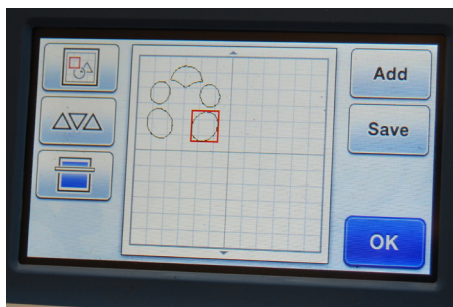


PREPARE YOUR FABRIC:

- step 4.** Position it, fabric-side down, on your prepared mat. Load the mat into the machine and press "OK."



- step 5.** At this point, you can drag the image on the screen around to position it just where you want it to cut on the mat. Be sure that if your fabric is in the upper left corner of the mat, your image should be in the upper left corner of the screen as well.



- step 6.** Press "OK" followed by "Cut," and "Start." When it has finished cutting, remove the paper backing from the back of the appliqué.

Repeat this process for the 5" x 5" piece of Pink fabric for work with the Heart appliqué.



TO MAKE THE BAG

STITCH 1: Tan Thread

Hoop your stabilizer in the hoop and stitch out the first sewing step. These are the placement lines for the zipper.

Remove hoop from the machine, but DO NOT unhoop your stabilizer.

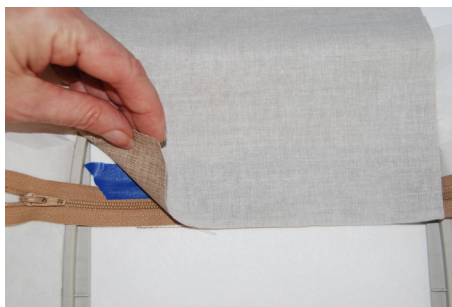
- step 1.** Lay your closed nylon zipper face up, between these lines, with the zipper pull to the left. Both ends of the zipper should be hanging off the sides of the hoop. Tape the zipper in place.



- step 2.** Turn your hoop over so you're looking at the back, and lay the lining bottom on the back side of the stabilizer (right-side towards the stabilizer). The bottom edge of the lining will align with the lower zipper placement line. Tape or pin in place.



- step 3.** Turn your hoop over to the front. On the front side of the hoop, lay the Front Bottom fabric (right-side towards the stabilizer) in the same position as the lining is, aligned with the lower zipper placement line. Pin or tape in place.



TO MAKE THE BAG

STITCH 2:

Return hoop to machine, and stitch out the next step. This secures the lower half of the zipper.

step 4. Place the Front Bottom piece of batting on the stabilizer below the zipper, and fold down the fabric over the top of the batting. Be sure the fabric is taut. Pin in place. (On the back, leave the lining as it is. Do not fold it down, yet.)



STITCH 3:

Stitch the next step, which are the appliqué placement lines for the Love Bear.



step 5. Place the appliqué fabric pieces within the placement lines and press with an iron, adhering them to the fabric.



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STITCH 4:

Stitch the next step, which is the satin stitching for the bear muzzle.



STITCH 5: Black Thread

Stitch the next step, which are the Nose and Eyes.

STITCH 6: Pink Thread

Stitch the next step, which are the satin stitches around the Heart.

STITCH 7: Tan Thread

Stitch the next step, which are the satin stitches around the Paws.

- step 6.** Turn hoop over to the back.
Fold the Lining Bottom down and pin or tape into place.



- step 7.** On the front, lay the Front Top fabric (right-side towards the stabilizer) with the long edge lining up with the edge of the zipper. Pin or tape into place.



- step 8.** Turn the hoop over and (looking at the back) lay the Lining Top fabric (right-side towards the stabilizer), with the long edge lining up with the edge of the zipper. Return hoop to machine. Pin or tape into place.



STITCH 8:

Stitch the next step, which secures the top edge of the zipper.

- step 9.** Remove hoop from machine. Lay the smallest batting piece on the stabilizer above the zipper and fold the Front Top fabric up to the top of the hoop. Pin in place. (Do not fold up the lining, yet.)



STITCH 9:

Sew the next step, which are the Ears.



TO MAKE THE BAG

step 10. Turn the hoop over to the back. Fold the upper lining up to the top of the hoop and pin or tape in place.



step 11. Turn hoop over to the front.
At this time, you need to OPEN OUT THE ZIPPER TWO-THIRDS of the way.
Also, fold your 1/2" x 4" ribbon piece in half, forming a loop, and tape the raw edges into place along the top edge of your hoop (with the looped end touching the zipper), and center the ribbon.



step 12. On the front side of the hoop, lay the Back fabric (right-side down) inside the hoop. Then, lay the largest batting on top of that. Next, lay the tearaway stabilizer on top of that. Pin into place.



TO MAKE THE BAG

STITCH 10:

Return hoop to machine, and sew out the next step, which sews completely around the whole design.

step 13. Remove hoop from machine and turn it over, so you're looking at the back. Lay the Lining Back piece, (right-side towards the stabilizer), and tape or pin into place.



STITCH 11:

Return it to the machine. Stitch out the last step. This stitches almost all the way around the design, leaving a little space open for turning.

step 14. Remove from hoop, and trim the edges to 1/4".

Very important: Clip the corners and curves!

Turn the bag right-side out through the opening.

Hand stitch the opening closed.

With scissors, remove the stabilizer at the zipper area. Since the zipper is open, you can now turn your bag right-side out. Enjoy your new bag!



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