

Stitchitize



BEE #8

HANGER HIDE-AWAY

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Hide valuables and freshen your closet with this fun and easy project. You will want to make one for every closet in your house! This project is great for a fast and unique gift. The designs for this set have been supplied in different styles and options. You can personalize yours with a monogram too!

Our supply requirements make 1 Hanger Cover with dimensions dependant on the hanger that you choose.

SUPPLY LIST

Each Hanger Cover will require the following:



- 1 Wooden or Plastic Hanger (measure and record base width)
- 1 Closed End Zipper **2" longer (or more) than hanger's width (match colour with fabric)
- Fabric: 14.5" x Hanger's width + 2" (front piece)
and 5.5" x Hanger's width + 2" (back piece)
- Iron-on Fusible interfacing for each piece of fabric

FOR EXAMPLE:

Hanger Width - 18"

Zipper - 20" or more

Fabric (fused) - 14.5" x 20"

and - 5.5" x 20"



NOTIONS

- Regular sewing foot
- Embroidery foot
- Zipper Foot
- Regular sewing thread and bobbin to match fabric
- 4 - 5 Embroidery Thread colours
- Embroidery Hoop (minimum size 3.5" x 5" - 90mm x 125mm)
- 1 piece Medium weight Tear-away Stabilizer
- 1 piece Lined 8.5" x 11" paper (regular loose-leaf works well)
- Fabric, Clipping and Paper Scissors
- Pins
- Seam Ripper
- Point Turner
- Ruler
- Stitchitize Bee # 8 Embroidery Designs
- Masking or Painter's Tape
- Pencil



EMBROIDERY

There are 2 different styles of embroidery designs to choose from, Floral Heart (Bee008A's) and Diamond Shape (Bee008B's). Each of the styles have been supplied with a shape in the center to finish the design (Bee008A1 & B1). These are intended for use if you Do Not want to monogram the hanger cover. Each of the styles has also been supplied with a space in the center (Bee008A2 & B2). These designs are intended for use if you want to monogram the hanger cover. In order to monogram you will need to add lettering in your machine's or software's edit mode. It is best to add the monogram to the design before you start sewing to ensure that everything is centered properly. All editing systems are different, therefore, we recommend that you read your manual for help.

1. Iron fusible interfacing to wrong side of both pieces of fabric following manufacturers directions.



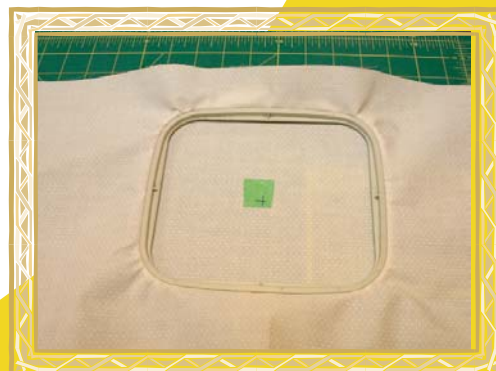
2. Choose a design and prepare machine to sew embroidery. Choose embroidery colours to compliment your fabric. If you are adding a monogram, prepare the design in your editing mode prior to starting the design.



3. On largest piece of fabric only, (front piece) measure and mark a crosshair on a small piece of tape 4.75" DOWN and CENTERED on longest side. If you have serged your fabric, your mark should be measured from the opposite to the serged edge.



4. Hoop fabric with mark as close to center as possible.





Embroidery cont...

5. Attach hoop to machine and use your jog keys to align your needle exactly through marked crosshair. Slide a piece of medium weight tear-away stabilizer under the hoop. Remove the tape and sew your design following the corresponding sewing sequence (see below)



Floral Heart Shaped Designs

Bee008A1

- background fill
- leaves
- flowers
- flower centers
- **Trim thread jumps through center of design
- center heart shape



Bee008A2

- background fill
- leaves
- flowers
- flower centers
- **Trim thread jumps through center of design
- monogram (if added)



Bee008A3

This design has been included for added embellishment to your hanger cover, or how about a matching sachet!

- one colour heart shape





Sewing Sequences cont...

Diamond Shaped Designs

Bee008B1

- background fill
- outer swirl border
- inner swirl border
- center diamond shape



Bee008B2

- background fill
- outer swirl border
- inner swirl border
- monogram (if added)



Bee008B3

This design has been included for added embellishment to your hanger cover, or how about a matching sachet!

- one colour diamond shape



When embroidery design is complete, remove the fabric from the hoop and trim all threads from front and back. Gently remove all stabilizer from back side perimeter of the design. Lightly press to remove hoop marks and to "smooth out" the embroidery.





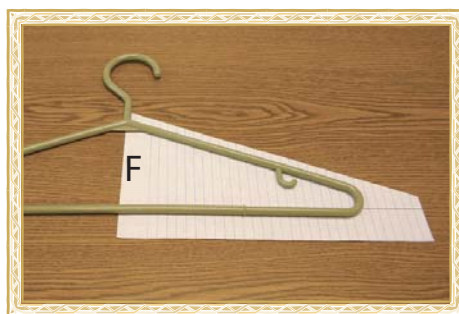
Making Your 1/2 Pattern

In order to make your cover fit the hanger that you have chosen, you will need to trace the shape of the hanger for your 1/2 pattern.

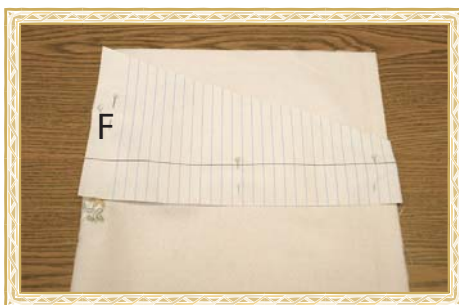
1. Place hanger on lined paper. Line up bottom of hanger with a long edge of paper or margin line and trace one side of the hanger shape. Draw past your hanger approx. 1".



2. Cut out along shape and down each side following the lines on the paper. Mark the longest side edge (where the center of the hanger was) with an F.



3. Fold the embroidered fabric, right sides together, joining short ends. Place pattern on fabric with the marked F on the fold of the fabric and the tip of the pattern even with the top edge of the fabric.



4. Pin pattern to fabric and cut along shape. Repeat for second (back) piece of fabric.





Inserting Center Zipper

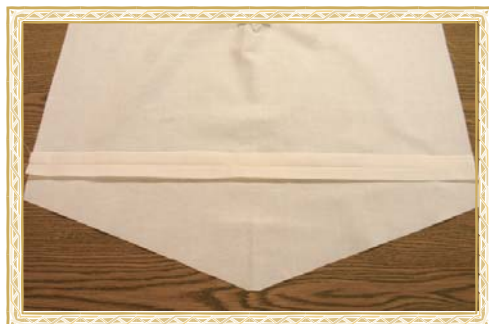
1. Lay embroidered fabric bottom edge and back fabric long edge (both serged edges if you did this step) right sides together. Pin.



2. With thread and bobbin to match the fabric and machine in regular sewing mode, baste (longest stitch length) 5/8" (SA) to temporarily join these edges.



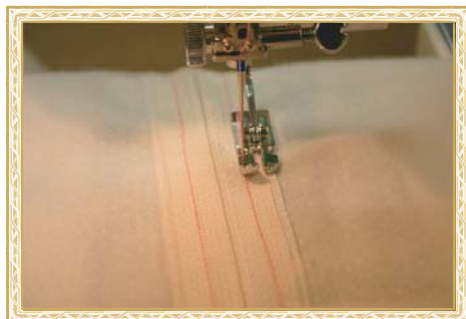
3. Press the seam open from the wrong side.



4. Pin zipper with teeth exactly through center of basted seam. If your zipper is longer than your fabric width, lay both ends of the zipper over the edges of the fabric.



5. Return to regular stitch length. With zipper foot attached, sew 1/4" from zipper teeth on each side of zipper tape. Be sure to sew directionally. (start each seam on the same edge)



6. Carefully open the basted seam on the top side with a seam ripper. Clean off bits of thread through the zipper opening with a piece of tape.





Finishing

1. Open zipper slightly. Fold entire piece, right sides together, joining shaped edges. Pin.



2. Fold in half, joining short edges to find center at shaped edge peak. Pin at exact center.



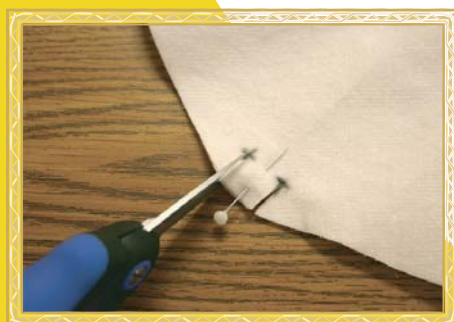
3. Lightly mark 1/4 on each side of pin.



4. Lightly mark 1/2" down from peak on each side of pin. You will now have a crosshair on each side of the pin.



5. Cut from top edge of fabric to the crosshair on both sides of the pin. It is important that you DO NOT cut past the crosshair.



6. Pin Zipper ends at both sides to ensure that there is no movement while sewing last seams.





Finishing cont...

7. With regular sewing foot attached, start with needle down exactly on a crosshair. Sew 3 stitches forward and backtack 3 stitches, do not sew over crosshair. Continue with a 1/2" (SA) on one side down to fold. Be careful when sewing over the zipper.



9. With hanger cover still inside out, fold both peak tabs over, wrong sides together. Temporarily secure both tabs with tape along the bottom of the tab.



11. Trim the seam allowance to 1/4" being careful when cutting zipper ends.



8. To ensure that your cover keeps it's uniform shape, it is best to sew directionally. Turn fabric over, mark at bottom of cut. Repeat step #6 to finish the opposite seam.



10. Open zipper fully. Prepare to sew tabs from wrong side. Work with the fabric in the tab area until it is flat under the foot. Sew 1/8" seam along each tab, Backtack each tab back to start position once.



12. Turn to right side. Use a point turner to poke out corners. Press. Insert hanger.



Finished!!

Extras and Ideas

- embroider a small piece of matching fabric with coordinating small embroidery design Bee008A3 or B3 and make a sachet to tuck inside or attach it to hanger hook with a ribbon
- when travelling, use with a garment bag to store all of your accessories for an outfit. (lingerie, jewelery, scarves, etc.)
- use the embroidery designs to embellish matching closet organizer accessories, bedroom linens, etc.

