

In-the-hoop Jar Tags



Materials needed:

Front and Backing, can match the front or not, I used cream colored fabric on back all my tags-1 piece each cut 4 ½" by 4"

Center-1 piece cut 3" by 2 1/2"

Cut away stablizer to fit 4" by 4" hoop

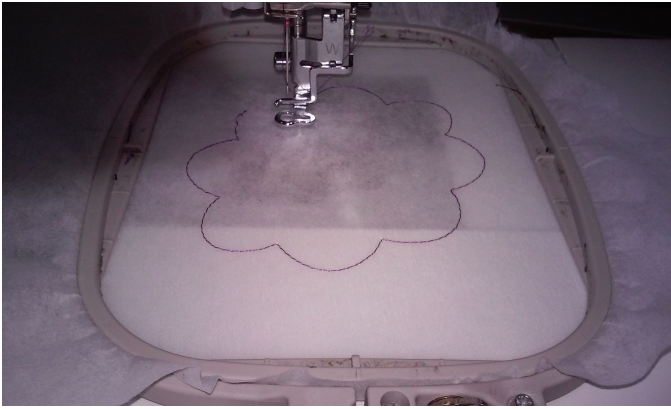
Assorted small pieces fabric for applique

Ribbon to tie tag to jar-5/8" or 3/4"

You may also need some Fray Block to seal edges on some of your fabrices it they start to ravel. I put it all the way around the center applique on the tag above. I used the June Tailor brand.

I also starched all my fabric until it was almost stiff as paper. If you do this your appliques will cut much better.

I use Cuticle Scissors to cut appliques this small.

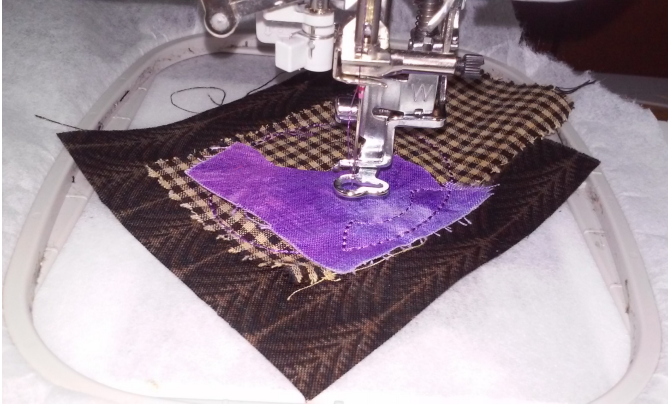


1-Hooper your stabilizer and stitch the first color, lay the front fabric down over stitching lines, make sure the lines are completely covered. This picture looks like something is on the hoop, its not. It's the light from the camera and the machine

2-Stitch the next color, placement for you center applique over the front fabric. You don't do anything to the front fabric until the end.



3-Lay center applique fabric over placement lines and stitch next color. I almost missed the bottom edge here. It really doesn't matter, another piece of applique is going over it. If not I would have ripped it out.



4-Stitch placement line for the first piece of the applique. Lay down applique fabric and stitch in place. If I can I wait and trim the first piece of the applique and the center at the same time. There are two of the files that can't be done that way, the hat extends up over the edge of the center.

the hoop to the machine.

5-Continue in the manner until you have all the applique done.



6-Remove hoop from machine and add the backing. I only used 2 pins, one at the top and one at the bottom, to hold the backing in place. Check as you put the hoop back on the machine to make sure nothing wrinkled up. Stitch the last color and button holes.



7-Remove hoop from machine and material from hoop and trim around the edges, again leave about 1/8".

8-Now you are about finished, press and cut your button holes for the ribbon. I used the button hole cutter in the picture at the right. It works great for this project. If you don't have one of these, fold the button hole in half and make a small hole and then finish cutting.



I hope you will enjoy these Jar Tags, I had fun digitizing and stitching them.

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