

Bookmark Picture Frames

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What a delightful new project Marlene has created for us this week! Now you can keep your favorite picture with you as you read! Imagine the possibilities! A favorite pet guarding your pages or perhaps a picture of Mother or Grandmother to hold the place in their recipe book which has been passed down.

Grandmothers, Grandfathers, Aunts and Uncles can put a picture of themselves into the bookmark and send it, along with a book to someone they love dearly. They will never forget far-away relatives when they are with a favorite book each time it is read!

Nothing like getting started on Christmas stocking stuffers!

All designs fit the 4x4 Hoop

Materials Needed:

Tear-away stabilizer

Felt

Clear Vinyl Covering (Found at Hobby Lobby, Hancocks, most any fabric store)

Tassels

Instructions:

(1) Hoop tear-away stabilizer and felt. Stitch out the design up to the first single outline of the Bookmark. Stitch this outline then take hoop out of the machine.



(2) Cut the felt around the inside of the small frame (it will be either rectangle or oval) the trim the outside of the bookmark, being careful not to cut the stabilizer. Poke a hole through the small top circle where the tassel will be attached.



(3) Cover the top of the hoop with clear vinyl, taping the edges to secure. Then place the hoop back in the machine to stitch out the tac-down (three sided single stitched frame)

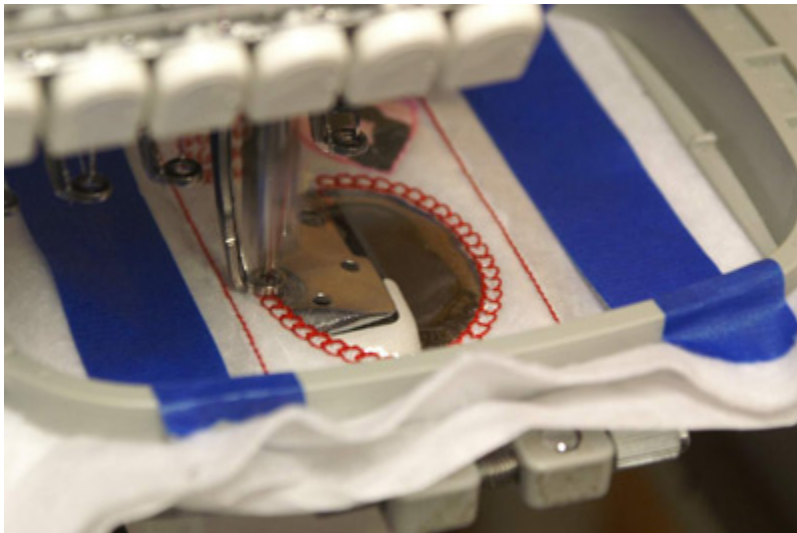


(4) Remove the hoop from the machine and turn it over to trim the stabilizer out from the inside of the small picture frame. You can also trim any rough edges around the inner sides. Any threads or fuzzy pieces of felt can be trimmed now.





(5) Place back in the machine to stitch the picture frame.



(6) Remove from the machine, turn the hoop over and measure down 1/2 inch from the top of the bookmark. This is where you will line the top edge of the clear vinyl . Tape down to secure and place in the machine to complete. (The top of the vinyl will remain open to allow you to change pictures.)



When the bookmark is completely sewn, take it out of the hoop and gently tear it away from the stabilizer and the excess vinyl.
Open the hole at the top with tweezers or the tips of scissors. Then take a tassel and push the loop through the hole, then take the tassel part and pull it through the loop as seen in the pictures.





The materials for this project can be purchased at Hobby Lobby, Hancock Fabrics, or any fabric store.

