Mylar Tea Light Wraps

Supplies needed

Water-soluble stabilizer (not the thin topper type)
Embroidery thread with same thread wound on your bobbin
Mylar film
LED tea light
Fabric glue



These designs are sized to fit a standard LED tea light and will stitch in the 5x7 hoop or larger. You will be able to make two designs in the 5x7 hoop.



To begin making the tea light wrap, hoop your water soluble stabilizer.



You will want to have a bobbin wound with the same thread you are using as the top thread.

The design shows four color changes, but all are stitched with the one color thread on the top and in the bobbin. The color changes are simply stops for you to get the mylar in place. (same as an applique design)



Stitch the first color (which will be the band for the bottom of the wrap) and the second color, which will give you placement for the mylar.



Lay the mylar over the area that just stitched and stitch the third color. This will tack your mylar in place.

Sharon has a wonderful variety of mylar colors in solids, opal and iridescent. There are variety packs to try the different types and colors.

You can get creative!



Continue to stitch the fourth color which will be the design over the mylar.

Finished stitching.

At this point the excess mylar around the design can be removed by gently pulling it off.



Remove the hoop from the machine, unhoop and cut away the excess stabilizer without cutting into the actual design.

Soak the design in water. After soaking, blot the excess moisture and lay flat to dry.

When completely dry, apply the glue to one end of the wrap. Bring the two ends together and hold them in place until glue is dry.



I tried using clips to hold the ends together and also pinning the holders down for this process.

The easiest for me was to use a piece of thick styrofoam wrapped with plastic wrap and pinning the design down with ball topped straight pins.

(Wrapping the foam with the plastic wrap will prevent the glue sticking to the foam.)

Let the wrap sit until glue is completely dry. Finished!



Mylar Tea Light Wraps