

Santa and Helper Stockings Ornaments

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Please read through instructions prior to starting your project.

Materials needed:

5X7 hoop

Water soluble stabilizer - woven type such as Vilene - not the plastic type

Variety of fabrics for appliqué

Heat N Bond Lite for appliqué fabrics

Cotton batting or felt

Bobbins wound to match thread

Scissors

Spray adhesive or tape

Estimated Assembly Time: 2 Hrs.

Basic instructions for all ornaments:

When you see red, that is a placement line. Cover the area with your chosen fabric. Blue is your tack-down line. It is not meant for you to use red thread and blue thread. Rather choose a neutral color that will not show through. The red and blue colors will make your machine stop.

Each ornament requires 2 hooping's. The back is made first and removed from the hoop.

You may use cotton batting or felt. I tried both and found the felt easier to work with.

Back

Choose which ornament you would like to create. Load the pattern back into your machine.

Hoop water soluble stabilizer.



Stitch the first red placement stitch directly on the stabilizer. Lay a piece of felt on top of this line to completely cover the red line. Tape the corners of the felt in place if desired. Stitch the blue tack-down line. Carefully trim away excess felt being careful not to cut into the stitches.



You will continue to use the red placement line with fabric to cover, and blue tack-down throughout the design. Heat N Bond Lite should be added to the back of all appliqué fabrics. Remember to trim away excess fabric after each. A small craft iron is helpful to adhere fabrics as you are adding them. If you have any questions, refer to the worksheet provided with each design.



When you have finished the back of the design, remove it from your hoop and set aside.



Front

Load the corresponding pattern front into your machine.

Hoop water soluble stabilizer.

You will use the same procedure as on the back. Placement and tack-down for felt will be first. Applique pieces of a red placement line, covered

with your prepared Heat N Bond Lite fabric. Follow with the blue tack-down line. Carefully trim away excess fabric.

Referencing ATWDD-0455: you will add fabrics one at a time until all fabrics have been added. Detail stitches begin at step #13. Once step #14 has stitched, the front is complete.

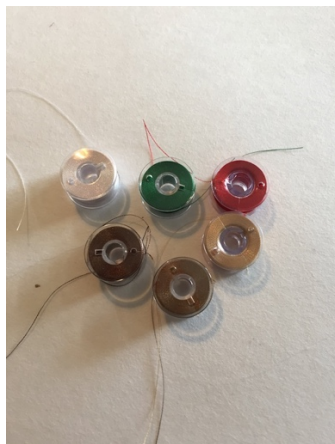
Most of the hats in this series will allow for a name to be added. You must have the necessary software to add a name. Names should be added at this point before adding the design back.



Do not remove the **front** from the hoop

Adding the back to the front

From this point forward you will need to match your bobbin thread to the thread in your machine.



Remove hoop from machine. Turn hoop over with design facing downward. The back will be added right side up.



Trim away excess stabilizer from ornament back leaving at least 2 inches all around. Prepare back with spray adhesive.



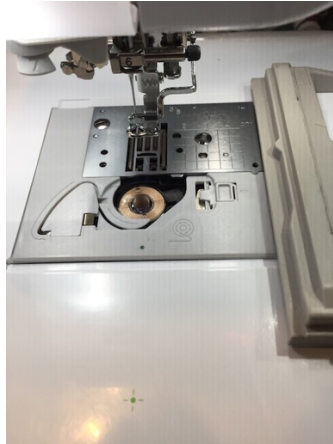
Using a well-lit window or lightbox, carefully line up the back to the front. Adjust as necessary. Use additional tape to secure if you'd like.

Place hoop on machine.

Again, referencing ATWDD-0455. Step #15 is a placement stitch that will secure the back to the front. Once stitched, remove the hoop from the machine, turn it over to see that your front and back line up. It will probably not be perfect. There is a little wiggle room for error. If the back and front are way off, remove the stitches and line up again. You will need to back

your machine up one step and stitch #15 again. Once you are satisfied, secure the front to the back by stitching #16.

Change your bobbin to match. Stitch #17.



Change your bobbin. Stitch #18.

Change your bobbin. Stitch #19.

Change your bobbin. Stitch #20.

Change your bobbin. Stitch #21.

Change your bobbin. Stitch #22.

Your ornament is now complete.

Remove hoop from machine. Remove ornament from hoop.

Carefully trim away excess stabilizer.



Take your ornament to the sink. I used my wet finger on the edges to dissolve any remaining stabilizer.

Let air dry.

Enjoy!!

