{Every Stitch Counts}

Slender Appliqué Letters Tea for Two Placemat

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Finished Project!

What little girl wouldn't love their own tea party. Why not make matching placemats, napkins and aprons for your little ones. You can even make a matching apron for her doll or favorite stuffed animal. Let's make two quilted placemats for her cute little tea party dishes to go on.

Supplies

2 pieces cut 8" x 8" from the Garden Journal napkin for each placemat
2 pieces cut 8" x 8" from a solid tea towel for each placemat
1 piece of cotton fabric for the back 16" x 16" for each placemat
1 piece of lightweight batting 16" x 16" for each placemat
1 piece of cotton fabric in pink 5" x 5" for the bird for each placemat
1 piece of cotton fabric in Aqua 7" x 4" for the letter "R" for each placemat
Design collection #12403 Chirpy Birds, Designs #12403-13
Design collection #12402 Slender Appliqué Letters, Design #12402-18
Design collection #12345 Classic Line Quilting, Design #BD827
Embroidery & Sewing Machine
OESD Ultra Clean & Tear Stabilizers
OESD Badgemaster
505 Temporary Spray Adhesive
202 Spray and Fix Temporary Spray Adhesive for Paper Patterns
Steam-A-Seam 2
Stitch Witchery
Isacord Threads
Regular sewing machine thread
Chalk or Water Based Marking Pen
Rotary Cutter
Acrylic Quilter's Ruler
Cutting mat

* Pre-Cut Appliqué Instructions
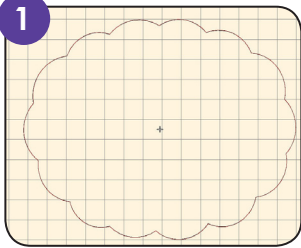can be found on Slender Appliqué
Letters Design CD #E-CD2JU12.

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Prepare the Placemat

1. Enlarge the pattern using the chart. Each square equals 1 inch (picture 1).

2. Place two fabric squares, one solid and one printed, with right sides together.

3. Sew the squares together with a ¼" seam, and then press the seam to the side of the solid fabric.

4. Repeat steps 1-3 with two more squares.

5. Lay together the two units, right sides together, so the center seams nest together, with the seam allowances pressed away from each other. (This should make a checkerboard)

6. Sew the two units together with a ¼" seam and press to one side (picture 2).

7. Align the center of the squares with the center of the placemat pattern and mark the scallops onto the fabric. (This will be the sewing line)

8. Following the printing instructions that came with the design collections, print a template of each design, to determine placement of designs. (You will need 2 templates of the quilting deign).

9. Place the templates on the placemat and mark the centers of each design being careful to keep the designs inside the placemat sewing line (picture 3).

Embroidery Instructions

1. Cut out the appliqué templates for Chirpy Bird #12403-13 and Slender Appliqué Letters #12402-18.

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Embroidery Instructions Continued

1. Cut out the appliqué templates for Chirpy Bird #12403-13 and Slender Appliqué Letters #12402-18.

2. Fuse Steam-A-Seam 2 to the wrong side of the pink and aqua pieces of fabric.

3. Spray the bird applique template on the wrong side with the 202 Temporary Spray Adhesive and place on the right side of the pink fabric and cut out the bird.

4. Spray the "R" applique template on the wrong side with the 202 Temporary Spray Adhesive and place on the right side of the aqua fabric and cut out the Letter.

5. Remove the protective paper from the Steam-A-Seam 2 and set aside.

6. Hoop 2 pieces of Ultra Clean & Tear.

7. Lightly spray the hooped stabilizer with the 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive.

8. Align the center placement of the Chirpy Bird with the center of the hoop.

9. Place the hoop on the embroidery machine and stitch color 1 of the bird design (picture 4).

10. Place the pink appliqué bird inside the stitched placement line so that it matches the stitching line (picture 5).

11. Finish stitching the bird design (picture 6).

Embroidery Instructions Continued

12. Remove the hoop from the machine and the placemat from the hoop.

13. Carefully remove the excess stabilizer from the back.

14. Hoop 2 pieces of Ultra Clean and Tear.

15. Lightly spray the hooped stabilizer with the 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive.

16. Align the center placement of the Letter "R" with the center of the hooped stabilizer.

17. Place the hoop on the embroidery machine and stitch color 1 of the Letter "R" design.

18. Place the aqua appliqué "R" inside the stitched placement line so that it matches the stitching line (picture 7).

19. Finish stitching the Letter "R" design.

20. Remove the hoop from the machine and the placemat from the hoop.

21. Carefully remove the excess stabilizer from the back.

Making the Placemat

1. Lightly spray the batting with 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive and place on the wrong side of the placemat.

2. Cut out the placemat ¼" outside the marked sewing line.

3. Place the right sides of the placemat and the lining together and stitch all the way around using a ¼" seam.

4. Fuse a 3 inch piece of Stitch Witchery to the middle of the lining fabric (picture 8).

5. Trim the lining to the size of the placemat and carefully clip into the V's of the curves.

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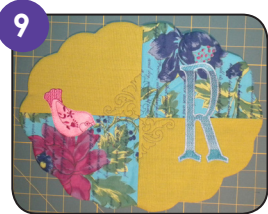**Making the Placemat Continued**

6. Clip a slit approximately 2 inches long in the piece of Stitch Witchery and the lining fabric.

7. Turn the placemat right side out.

8. Make sure all the edges are pushed out and press.

9. Remove the protective paper from the Stitch Witchery around the slit in the lining and carefully press the edges together (The quilting designs will hide the slit).

Embroidering the Quilt Designs

1. Hoop a piece of Badgemaster Water Soluble stabilizer.

2. Lightly spray the hooped stabilizer with 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive.

3. Align the crosshairs for the 1st quilting design with the center of the hooped stabilizer.

4. Place hoop on the machine and stitch the quilting design.

5. Repeat for the other quilt design, making sure to rotate the design.

Finishing the Placemat

1. Remove the hoop from the machine and the placemat from the hoop.

2. Carefully remove the stabilizer from the placemat (pictures 9-10).