

“Embroidered Fabric Pillow”



Creating embroidery-textured fabric is the start of something big! This project will simplify the task while using the Ellisimo sewing and embroidery machine and its 200mm x 300mm hoop along with StudioPlus from Designer’s Gallery. This project will feature the gold pillow in the background.

Skill Level: Intermediate

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Supplies:

Baby Lock[®] Ellisimo sewing and embroidery machine

StudioPlus by Designer’s Gallery[®]

Gold satin fabric

Striped decorator fabric for the back

Baby Lock® Tear-Away stabilizer
Pillow form
Temporary spray adhesive
Sewing and embroidery thread
General sewing and embroidery supplies

Instructions

Design Retrieval:

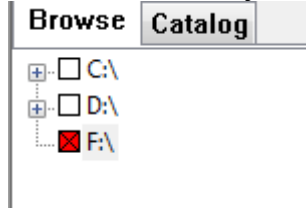
1. With the Ellisimo machine on:
 - Click on Embroidery Edit.
 - Click on the Exclusive button.
 - Click on the Quilting category.
 - On page 1 of 2, select the quilt design in the second row that is positioned 2nd from the left. (*The design is shown below.*)



2. With the design on the workspace, click on Sewing.
3. Connect a thumb drive to the Ellisimo sewing /embroidery machine.
4. To save the design to the thumb drive, click on Memory.
5. When the next screen opens, click on the 2nd icon from the left to send the design to the thumb drive. The design will be saved as a .phc file format.



6. Open StudioPlus by clicking on the icon on the desktop.
7. To retrieve the design click on the USB drive. The drive used was the “F” drive. It may be different on your computer.



8. To select the design, left click on the design.
9. Click on the Print icon on the top toolbar and print out a copy of the design. When the dialog box opens, select Full-Size Image and the Selected Designs Only categories. Click OK. This will print a template that will be used for placing the design on the fabric.



At the Embroidery Machine:

1. Fuse tricot to the wrong side of the gold satin fabric. This helps to stabilize the fabric to eliminate any puckering that may occur.
2. Hoop the stabilizer and spray with the temporary spray adhesive.
3. Determine the placement of the design on the fabric. Start close to one of the edges of the fabric so that you can apply multiple hoopings of the design.
 - Pin the template to the fabric.
 - Place the fabric in the hoop and finger press smooth.
 - Line the needle up over the cross marks on the template.
 - Remove the template from the fabric.
 - With the design merged onto the embroidery machine’s workspace, embroider the design using the thread color of your choice. Red was used in the sample.
4. Hoop another piece of stabilizer and spray with the temporary spray adhesive.
 - Pin the template next to the first embroidered design. Line up the template so that it overlaps slightly into the last embroidered section. Take your time with this so that you have perfect alignment.

- Once you have determined the placement, finger press the templated fabric onto the hoop. Use the cross marks on the template and the marks on the hoop for accurate placement.
5. Repeat Steps 2-4 until the embroidered section is large enough to create the pillow size of your choice.

Pillow Construction:

1. For the pillow front, cut out the desired size from the embroidered fabric one inch larger than the pillow form.
2. Cut out a piece of coordinating fabric for the pillow back (the same size as the pillow front).
3. Apply any trim around the outer edge as desired and baste.
4. With right sides together place the back to the front using a ½" seam allowance while leaving an opening for turning and for inserting the pillow form. Clip the seams as needed.
5. Insert the pillow form.
6. Slip stitch the opening closed.

See the Striped Appliquéd Pillow project for directions on the creation of the pillow in the fore ground.

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