

“Welcome Friends Door Banner”



Create a bright and cheery welcome to any entrance with this door banner using Designer’s Gallery LetterWorks. Place your lettering around a sunflower design from *In the Country* from Baby Lock and then finish off this summertime project with straight line quilting or stippling. Hang on your door and enjoy.

Skill Level: Beginner

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Supplies:

Baby Lock® Sewing & Embroidery Machine (Ellegeo)
 Designer’s Gallery® LetterWorks™ version 2.0 toolpack
 (Designer’s Gallery Studio, Studio Plus™ or CustomWorks™, installed)
 Baby Lock® embroidery collection *In the Country* BLDP-P13
 Finishing Touch® Tear-Away Stabilizer (14 inch square)
 Robinson-Anton® 40wt embroidery threads
 Robinson-Anton 50wt cotton threads
 Fat Quarter of yellow print fabric for embroidery background
 Fat Quarter of green print fabric for inner border
 ½ yd of sunflower print fabric for outer borders
 1 yd of yellow fabric for backing and binding

Low-loft batting (26" square)

Instructions:

Creating the Design: (Instructions based on using LetterWorks 2.0 through Studio and may vary if CustomWorks platform base is used)

1. Open Designer's Gallery Studio. Locate the folder where *In the Country* BLDP-P13 is stored. Select the sunflower design #CTY020.
2. From the file bar select Tools, Gallery Tools and then click on Gallery LetterWorks.
3. On the LetterWorks file bar select View, then Select Hoop. In the Hoops box select the 160 X 260 mm hoop. Click Apply and then OK.
4. Click on the Text icon.  Click on the workspace above the sunflower. Right click on "My Text" and select Properties.
5. In the Text Entry box type "**Welcome**". Select Bumble Bee from the Font list. Change the Height to 1.15 inches (29.2 mm). Click on the Color box and change the color to pumpkin. Click on Apply and then click the X in the top right corner to close the Properties box.
6. Right click on the "Welcome" text, select Envelop, and then click on ConvexTopConcaveBottom. Position the cursor over the text until a hand appears then place the text above the sunflower design as desired by dragging.
7. Click on the workspace to deselect the "**Welcome**" text. Click below the sunflower design to create a new text segment. Right click and select Properties. In the Text Entry box type in "**Friends**". Change the Height to 1.15 inches (29.2 mm). Click on the Color box and change the color to pumpkin. Click on Apply and then click on the X to close the Properties box.
8. Right click on the "**Friends**" text, select Envelop, and then click on ConcaveTopConvexBottom. Position the cursor over the text until a hand appears then place the text below the sunflower design as desired by dragging.
9. Click on the Select tool.  While holding down the CTRL key, click on Welcome, the sunflower design and the Friends text selecting all three sections. On the menu bar click on the Center icon. 
10. Send your design to Designer's Gallery Studio by clicking the Send to Designer's Gallery icon  on the menu bar.
11. Exit LetterWorks.
12. Save your design to a floppy disk to take to your Ellageo.

Embroider the Design:

1. From the yellow print fat quarter cut a 14" square. Fold in half both lengthwise and widthwise. Finger press. Hoop the fabric and stabilizer in 160 mm X 260 mm Ellageo hoop, using the fold lines to align and center the fabric.
2. Embroider the design.
3. Remove the tear-away stabilizer. Press the finished embroidery.

Cutting the Fabrics:

1. Re-cut the yellow print fabric, with the completed embroidery, to a 13" square.
2. From the green print fabric, cut two strips 1 ½" X 13" and two strips 1 ½" X 15 ½"
3. From the sunflower print fabric, cut two strips 4" X 15 ½" and two strips 4" X 22".
4. From the yellow fabric cut three strips 2" wide by the width of the fabric and a 26" square.

Sewing the Project:

Use a quarter inch for all seams.

1. With right sides together sew the 1 ½" X 13" strips to the right and left sides of the 13" embroidered background square. Press seams toward the green strip.
2. With right sides together sew the 1 ½" x 15 ½" strips to the top and bottom of the background square. Press seams toward the green strip.
3. With right sides together sew the 4" X 15 ½" sunflower strips to the top and bottom of the background square. Press seams toward the green strip.
4. With right sides together sew the 4"x 22" sunflower strips to the top and bottom of the background square. Press seams toward the green strip.
5. On a flat surface, place the backing fabric face down. Place the batting on top of backing. Place pieced Sunflower square on top of the batting face up. Baste or pin.
6. Machine quilt through all layers as desired.
7. Trim backing and batting even with edges of the front and trim if necessary.
8. With right sides together sew the 2" strips together at ends. Fold in half lengthwise and press.
9. Sew binding to front of quilted square aligning raw edges and mitering corners. Press.

10. Fold binding to the back of quilted square and hand or machine stitch to finish.

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