

Embroidering on Velvet

Products you'll need:

America Sews Cut-A-Way Stabilizer

Hydro Stick Stabilizer

America Sews Melt-A-Way or Dissolve-A-Way Stabilizer

Damp Sponge

We have 2 goals for velvet:

- 1.) Avoid hoop rings whenever possible.
- 2.) Don't let the nap poke through the embroidery.

To accomplish this we will do the following:

- 1.) Cut the Cut-A-Way & Hydro Stick Stabilizers to fit in your hoop.
- 2.) Hoop the two stabilizers in the hoop with the Hydro Stick on top.
- 3.) With your damp sponge wipe the Hydro Stick in the hoop to make it sticky.
- 4.) Place the velvet on top of stabilizer. The sticky Hydro Stick will hold the velvet in place for you.
- 5.) Place the Melt-A-Way or Dissolve-A-Way on top of the velvet.
- 6.) Sew out design.
- 7.) Tear away excess Melt-A-Way.
- 8.) Cut-A-Way excess Hydro Stick and Cut-A-Way.

Embroidering on Organza or Sheers

Products you'll need:

Aqua Magic
505 Spray

We have 2 goals for sheers:

- 1.) Leave no stabilizer behind.
- 3.) Have the fewest puckers possible.

To accomplish this we will do the following:

- 2.) First we must choose a design that will work. Not all designs are good for sheers. The best are the ones that are the most open, or have very low density.
- 3.) Cut two pieces of Aqua Magic large enough for the hoop.
- 4.) We will use the 505 Spray to help keep the fabric from shifting within the hoop. Spray 505 onto one side of each piece of Aqua Magic.
- 5.) For the stabilization we are going to make a sandwich. Bottom: Aqua Magic, sticky side up; Middle: Sheer; Top: Aqua Magic, sticky side down. We will use the 505 Spray to help keep the fabric from shifting within the hoop. Spray 505 onto each piece of Aqua Magic.
- 6.) Embroider your designs.
- 7.) Rinse away stabilizer. It takes a good deal of rinsing. If it's a garment, just washing the garment will be easiest.