

Projects

"Floral Pillow"



Looking to elevate your home decor? Try creating this beautiful embroidered pillow. Embroidery is a snap with positioning stickers that come with Baby Lock embroidery machines, so you'll have perfect placement every time!

Skill Level: Intermediate

Created By: Diane Kron, Software and Embroidery Project Manager

Supplies:

Baby Lock® Sewing and Embroidery Machine

1 Yard cream colored wool fabric

1 Yard of floral decorator print for pillow backs

Madeira® rayon embroidery threads 1110, 1068, & 1170

Madeira Aerofil sewing thread

Hydro-Hold Water-Activated Baby Lock Stabilizer (BLC307)

Klasse® embroidery needles size 11

18" Pillow form

Rotary cutter, ruler and mat

Standard sewing supplies

At the Cutting Table:

1. From the cream colored wool fabric cut one piece that measures 25" square. This will be trimmed to the final size after embroidery.
2. From the floral fabric, cut one section for the back of the pillow that measures 19" square.

At the Embroidery Machine:

Pillow:

1. Turn on the embroidery machine and attach the embroidery unit.
2. Using the 200mm x 300mm hoop, hoop the stabilizer. Water-activate the stabilizer by following the manufacturer's directions. Determine the center on the fabric square and mark. Center the fabric square on the hoop. Place one of the Positioning Stickers over the center mark on the fabric.
3. Attach the hoop to the embroidery unit.
4. Select Embroidery Edit. Select the Flowers category. Scroll down and select the design as shown below. The design is numbered 29 in the Quick Reference Guide from the machine. In the sample, different colors were used. The colors are listed below, in the order that they are used: 1110- Medium Rose, 1068 Yellow, and 1170 Avocado Green.



5. To make sure that the design will stitch in the middle of the fabric, click on the Positioning icon. The machine will search for the Positioning Sticker and adjust the design's position according to the location of the sticker.
6. Remove the sticker and embroider the design using the Madeira threads.
7. To embroider the remaining designs, hoop the stabilizer and finger press the fabric in the hoop so that the design will be placed approximately ½" from the already embroidered design. Select the Fabric Scan icon. Position the design in the hoop according to the scan. If you have placed the fabric incorrectly reposition the fabric before you embroider the design and repeat the fabric scan. Embroider the design. Repeat this step until you have filled the 25" fabric square with embroidery. **Option:** If you have an editing program you may decide to print out a template of the design. Pin the template on the fabric and place one of the Positioning Stickers over the cross marks on the template. Select the Positioning icon to place the design. Embroider the design using the same colors as listed above.

Assembly:

All side seams will use a ½" seam allowance.

1. Trim the embroidered section to 19" square.
2. With right sides together, sew the front embroidered sections to the pillow back using a ½" seam allowance. Leave an 8" opening to insert the pillow form. Sew the opening closed.

For other exciting projects like this one, visit our Web site at www.babylock.com