# **Dad's Chenille Primitive Embroidery Stocking**



With all the popular faux chenille and primitive embroidered projects this holiday season, this is the perfect new stocking for Dad. Any Baby Lock Sewing and Embroidery machine can create this unique technique, and before you know it, your home will have a rustic touch for Christmas!

Skill Level: Beginner

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## Supplies:

Baby Lock Sewing and Embroidery Machine

1 yard Osanberg for stocking, cuff and layering of lettering chenille work

1/4 yard homespun checked fabric for letters and cuff

½ yard muslin for lining

Fleece or batting for quilting

1 spool all-purpose thread & 1 filled bobbin to match fabric

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1 spool 30wt cotton thread

3 small scraps of checked fabric for 'patches'

Pinking shears

Iron-on stabilizer

Temporary spray adhesive

Walking foot

Disappearing marker or chalk

Slash cutter by Clover (optional, but very helpful)
Fast turn foot & Fast turn tool (optional, but very helpful)
Very sharp Appliqué scissors
Rotary Cutter, Mat & Ruler
Iron, Ironing Board & spray starch

#### Instructions:

#### Preparation:

- 1. Cut two 19" by, Osanberg, one 15 1/4" by 9", two 14 1/4" by 4", six 4" x 4".
- 2. Cut six 4" x 4" squares, and two 14 1/4" x 4", one 7"x1" homespun fabric.
- 3. Cut two stockings from muslin for lining.
- 4. 3 squares of scrap different colored checked fabric cut with pinking shears 1 ½" to 2" for patches placed on toe & heel.
- 5. Press the fabric for the stocking, starch well, then, iron a piece of stabilizer onto the back. Leave in rectangle for easier hooping, will cut out after embroidered.
- 6. Place stabilized fabric into the hoop.

## **Embroidering:**

- 1. Set up your machine for embroidery by attaching the embroidery unit, selecting embroidery mode and inserting the proper needle and foot.
- 2. Select the letters D, A and D in a font you like. Move the letters around so they are within approximately an 8 ½' line.
- 3. Place embroidery hoop on machine. (We are not going to pay attention to the way them machine tells you to stitch. We are creating a different look, so follow these instructions.)
- 4. Use the trial to make sure the design fits approximately 1-1 ½" to the bottom.
- 5. Touch start/stop button. The machine will place an outline of the letter D on the fabric and stop. Press help key and touch spool back, so it will do that stitch again. Layer a 4" square of homespun, two 4" squares of Osanburg and 4" square of homespun and place on top of the outlined area. Press start/stop button. Press start/stop again. Then spool back again so it stitches an outline a third time. After machine stitches the third outline, touch spool forward (this will skip the satin stitching. You will have stitched the fabric pieces onto the main fabric 3 times.)
- 6. Carefully remove hoop from machine DO NOT REMOVE FABRIC FROM HOOP!!! Use very sharp appliqué scissors and clip fabric ¼" from stitching. Make a slice in the center of the D making sure not to cut thru stocking fabric. Clip into the corners so fabric will fray nicely when washed and dried.

- Attach hoop back onto machine. Follow same procedure for the A and then the D. Don't forget to clip fabric from around the A before starting last D.
- 8. When all three letters are stitched, remove hoop from machine, remove fabric from hoop, clip threads and remove stabilizer.
- 9. Lay pattern on fabric and cut out stocking. Stocking back will be plain piece of Osanburg.

## Making chenille cuff:

- 1. Using the 15 ¼" x 9" piece if Osenburg as the background, layer the homespun, two layers of Osenburg, and homespun, using the temporary spray adhesive to hold the layers together. Mark one line diagonally across the cuff. Attach walking foot. Select quilting stitch; lengthen to 4.0. Stitch along marked line. Continue stitching using the foot as a guide between stitches.
- 2. After stitching, use the slasher and cut fabric between lines of stitches, or use scissors to cut layers--be careful and do not cut the bottom layer.
- 3. Fold cuff in half, right sides together and stitch the side seam.

## Quilting and label:

- 1. Draw diagonal lines 1 1/2" inch apart on stocking front and back pieces using disappearing pen. Attach walking foot and select a quilting stitch. Lengthen stitch length to 4. Use neutral color all-purpose thread and bobbin and stitch along lines.
- 2. Place the patches at toe and heel as desired. Straight stitch around each patch 1/4" from edge. Use directional sewing for added ease in stitching. (Sample was done with two patches on toe, one on heal.)
- 3. Select decorative stitches and select script lettering. Personalize as you desire and date (sample says 'Love Ya Merry Christmas 2002'). Attach 'N' foot; insert coordinating cotton thread in needle and stitch between two of the quilting lines on the back of the stocking. **Note:** It is easy to keep lettering or decorative stitches straight if you watch the foot and keep it parallel between the two rows of quilting.

# Sewing it together:

- 1. Attach the Fast turn foot. Insert the 1 1/2" by 7" piece of fabric in the guide of the foot, adjust the seam as needed and stitch the seam. Use the Fast turn to turn right side out.
- 1. Use half-inch seams to sew stocking seam. Sew cuff on top. Sew lining pieces together, leaving the bottom open for about 5 inches. Turn stocking right side out and pin lining along top right sides together.(Lining will be around the outside of the stocking.) Sew along the top of the cuff.
- 2. Stitch around the top of the cuff sewing lining and stocking together. Pull lining up, and pin the bottom seam together. Seam very close to edge. Stuff inside the stocking.
- 3. Throw in the washer and dryer to fluff up the chenille. You are finished.