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**Embroidery Design
Sewing Information**

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Best Friends Picture Frames

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DESIGN SIZE & INFO FOR 4" HOOP

Stitches: 3313

Height: 3.70 in

Width: 3.70 in

Colors: 5

Stops: 5

Finished Project Size:

3 7/8 x 3 7/8 inches

SUPER IMPORTANT:

You will not remove the project from the hoop until you are completely finished with the stitching.

You will remove the hoop from the machine several times, but the vinyl and stabilizer remain in the hoop.



DESIGN SIZE & INFO FOR 5X7" HOOP

Stitches: 5240

Height: 6.06in

Width: 4.28 in

Colors: 4

Stops: 5

Finished Project Size:

6 1/8 x 4 1/2 inches

Supplies:

(2) 5 x 7 inch pieces of vinyl (for larger frame) **or** (2) 4 1/2 x 4 1/2 inch pieces of vinyl (for small frame)

Stabilizer, a piece big enough for you to completely hoop (tear-away or cut-away)

Embroidery thread, your choice of colors

Your finishing thread should match or compliment your background color, and backing fabric color.

Embroidery needle, size 11 (I use Organ 15X15T)

Magnet or ribbon for backing and strong craft glue (I personally love E6000)

Exacto knife, rotary cutter, and cutting mat (helpful, but optional)

General supplies: Scissors, painter's tape or scotch tape, embroidery machine

Note about vinyl: Marine vinyl or high quality glitter vinyl will work best for this project. I have used cheaper vinyl and it doesn't hold the stitches very well. It will work fine for backing, but not stitching.

The design on your frame most likely will be different from the one shown here in the illustrations, but all instructions are the same.



1. Load your file into your machine.
2. Hoop the stabilizer and snap onto the machine. Do not put the vinyl on yet. The first stitching will be your placement stitches. You will stitch this right on the stabilizer. It doesn't really matter what color you use, because you will never see it.

3. Remove hoop from machine and place your vinyl right side up over your placement stitches. Be sure that you leave at least a quarter inch away from stitching for your margin which you will cut away later. Place your vinyl on the stabilizer.

4. Stitch through the various color changes up until the last one. These are the details of your design. Before stitching the last color, remove the hoop from the machine.

5. Very carefully cut away the inner portion of the frame very close to the stitching line. You'll need some sharp scissors for this. You'll also be cutting through the stabilizer (in the center only) at the same time. **DON'T REMOVE PROJECT FROM HOOP!**

NOTE: Cutting out the center of the frame can also be done at the very end of the project, after removing it from the hoop. I've done it both ways, and they both worked out well. This will be your personal preference. If you choose to cut the center at this step, you will be able to use an Exacto knife.



6. Flip the hoop over and apply your backing fabric. Please notice that I didn't leave a margin along one of the sides. You will need an opening to slip in your photo, so you will place that edge close to, but not on the stitching line. Stitch the final step.

ANOTHER OPTION: You can stitch the back without adding the opening and carefully cut a slit along the upper or side edge on the back layer of vinyl after stitching. Just be sure to cut close to the line of stitching without going through both layers of vinyl.



7. Remove the project from the hoop and tear away any excess stabilizer (if using tear-away). Cut around the outside of the frame close to the stitches. A rotary cutter works great for this.

If you haven't already done so, you can now carefully cut out the center.

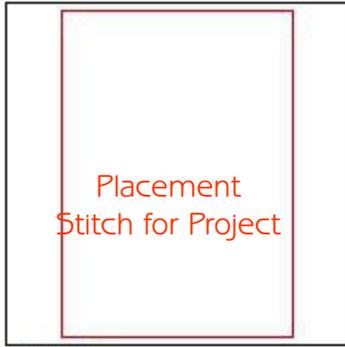
8. Flip the frame over and glue a magnet or ribbon to the back if desired.



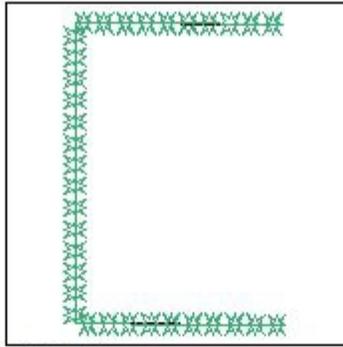
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[In the Hoop by Sher](http://www.inthehoopbysher.com)

If you change the size or density of the original design, you could alter the final result.



Stop #: 1
 Element:
 Code: 225
 Name: Poinsettia
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 281
 Thread used: 4.26ft

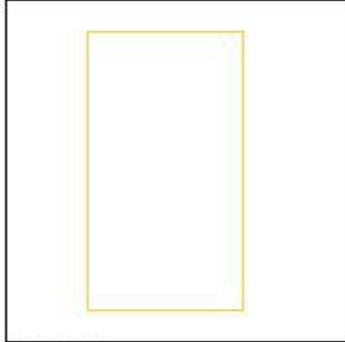


Stop #: 2
 Element:
 Code: 202
 Name: Green
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 643
 Thread used: 14.29ft



Stop #: 3
 Element:
 Code: 225
 Name: Poinsettia
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 2,873
 Thread used: 37.73ft

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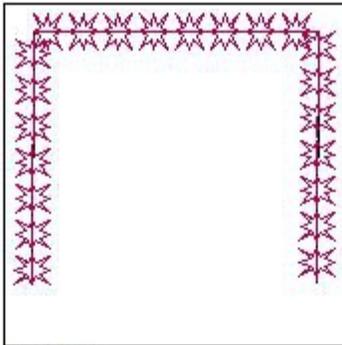
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 Element:
 Code: 223
 Name: Gold
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 643
 Thread used: 9.70ft



Stop #: 5
 Element:
 Code: 226
 Name: Brown - Dark
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 800
 Thread used: 12.29ft



Stop # 1
 Element:
 Code: 216
 Name: Red Scarlet
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 205
 Thread used: 3.11ft

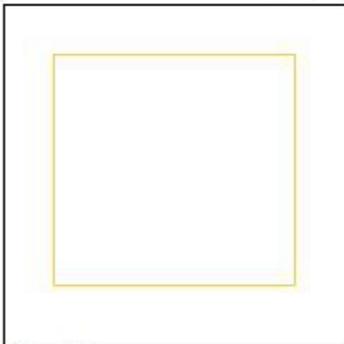


Stop # 2
 Element:
 Code: 227
 Name: Red - Berry
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 431
 Thread used: 9.40ft



Stop # 3
 Element:
 Code: 229
 Name: Coffee Brown
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 1,667
 Thread used: 20.39ft

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Stop # 4
 Element:
 Code: 223
 Name: Gold
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 432
 Thread used: 6.52ft



Stop # 5
 Element:
 Code: 201
 Name: Blue - Med.
 Chart: Hatch
 Stitches: 578
 Thread used: 8.86ft