

Halloween Earrings using Mylar

Hoop two layers of water soluble stabilizer. I used Vilene.

Sew out the first line, that is the stitch showing where to place the Mylar.

Lay your Mylar on top of the placement stitch and sew over it.

Trim the Mylar carefully, close to the placement stitch.

Sew the rest of the design.

When finished, unhoop and trim excessive stabilizer close to the earrings carefully so you won't cut any threads.

Dip the earrings into WARM water for about 20 seconds, you want some of the stabilizer to stay on the earrings to keep them nice and stiff.

Stick the tip only of a toothpick through the earring hole to make sure it's clear of stabilizer residue. Then press them between two pieces of paper toweling and lay a flat plate or book on them for about a half hour. This will keep them from curling up.

DON'T IRON - The heat will damage the Mylar.

Your Halloween Earrings are ready for the earring wires. These can be purchased from any hobby or fabric store.

Suggestions: It's easier to trim any thread on your designs BEFORE dissolving the stabilizer.

I used Australian crystals on part of my owl. These look cute with different colors of crystals or small drops of glitter glue for the eyes.

When these are dry, take a tiny dab of clear quick drying glue on your fingertip and use it to smooth the edges of the earrings. Make sure you smooth the glue towards the back of the design. This will smooth any little threads that sometime pop-up and it will also give you a professional finish.