

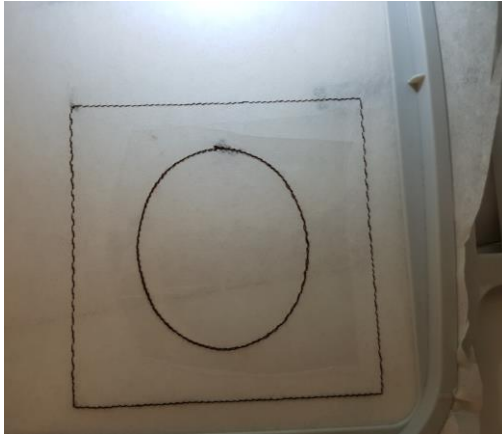
ITH MEMORY BOX (4x4 & 5x5)



Fabric/fleece/felt or any suitable material for the top
Fabric/fleece/felt or any suitable material for the backing
Clear vinyl/film for the pic frame
Applique fabric for the piece without pic frame
Threads as desired
Tearaway stabilizer
Cardboard for inserts
Ribbon & button(optional)

FOR PIECES WITH THE PIC FRAME:

- The 1st color will give the square outline as well as the placement line for the vinyl window.



- Lay a piece of clear vinyl, tape in place and sew the 2nd color.
- Next lay the square piece covering the outline and sew the next color.



- Continue and stitch the design.
- Before the step of decorative stitches around the vinyl window, remove frame and carefully trim the top layer of fabric within the stitched outline.



FRONT



BACK

- Also tearaway the stabilizer from the back and get the hoop back to the machine and stitch the decorative stitches framing the vinyl window.
- Continue with step 6 below.

FOR PIECES WITH APPLIQUE PATCH:

1. Hoop Tearaway stabilizer and sew the 1st color.
2. Lay the top fabric enough to cover the outline, hold in place or tape it and sew the 2nd color.
3. Sew the 3rd color which will give the placement line for the applique patch.
4. Lay a piece of fabric over the placement line and sew the next color.

5. Trim the excess fabric as close to the stitching as possible. Continue and complete the embroidery except the last 2 colors.

NOTE: Any names, initials or messages you want to add on the patch should be done at this stage before the last 2 colors!



6. The second last color is the partial outline. Before this step remove the hoop and place the backing at the back of the hoop, 3mm below the top edge of the outline. Tape in place and sew the second last color.

NOTE: Have a straight edge at the top of this piece of backing. If using a regular fabric, use a folded piece with the folded edge at the top, so there is no raw edge.



7. Remove hoop once again and trim all 4 sides of the top fabric and 3 side of the backing.



8. Fill bobbin with same thread as top for the last satin stitch edge.
9. Once the piece is complete un-hoop and Tearaway excess stabilizer.

10. Cut 6 pieces of cardboard or drawing sheet to the size that can be slipped in the opening. (for the smaller size you can use 3.5"x3.5" pieces and for the bigger size you can use 4.5"x4.5" pieces approximately)

NOTE: Make sure to use a stiff material to make your box sturdy.



11. Using a sewing machine zigzag stitch the pieces in the order you want. The opening of the side panels should be on the top, so that it is easier to remove or change the pics.
12. Opening for the base should be at the bottom but if you prefer you may keep it on the inside. Opening for the top can be on any side. Hand sewing some of the edges may be needed.

13. For the lid just attach 1 edge using the same zigzag stitch and leave the other 3 open. You may add a loop and button to close the box or use ribbons to tie.
14. Cut the pictures to the required size and slip it in through the opening along with the cardboard for extra stability.

NOTE: The base piece is done in the same way except the embroidery.