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Projects

“SANTA PHOTO STITCH PILLOW”



Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa Claus is coming to town. All little elves will want to have a picture of Santa embroidered on their pillow while they dream of Christmas and all of its wonders. Discover how easy it is to use the 9.0 Palette and the Enterprise ten-needle machine. The Palette will use the wmf Santa file and convert to a photo stitch.

Skill Level: Easy

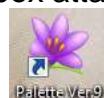
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Supplies:

Baby Lock® Ellisimo embroidery machine
Baby Lock Palette version 9
Baby Lock Tear-Away stabilizer
Baby Lock ruffling foot
Beige colored fabric 18" x 18" square
1 Yd of Red Christmas print for sashing
1 Yd of beige Christmas print for ruffle
16" Pillow form
Assortment of Madeira Polyester threads
Chaco marking pen

At the Computer:

1. Download and save the Santa image to a location of your choice.
2. With the USB reader and writer cable box attached to the computer, open the

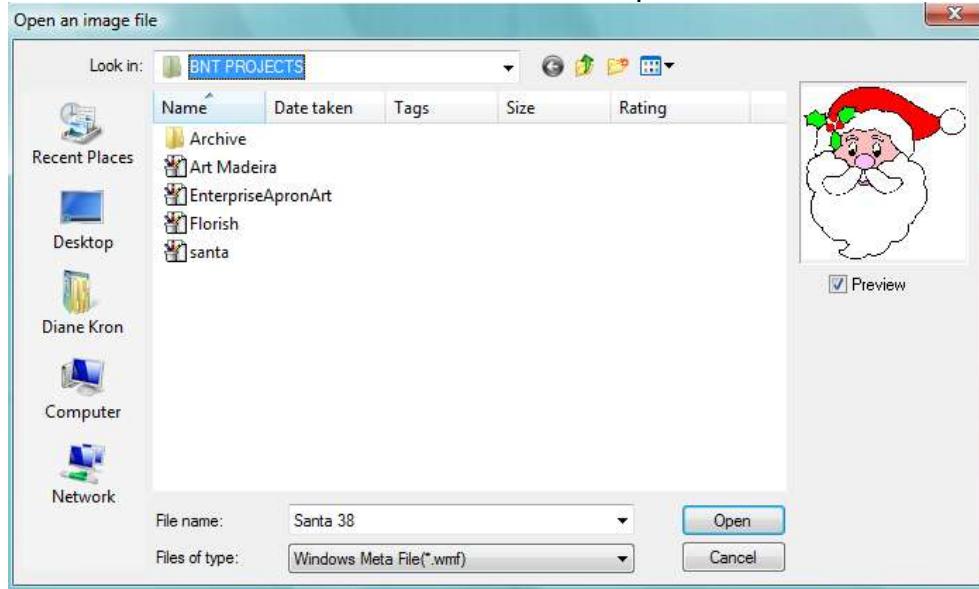


- program by clicking on the palette icon on the desktop.
3. Click on Image to Stitch icon (as shown in the dialog box below) and follow the next set of steps.



- In the Open an Image file, click on the down arrow next to Files of Type and select Windows Meta File and go to the location where you have

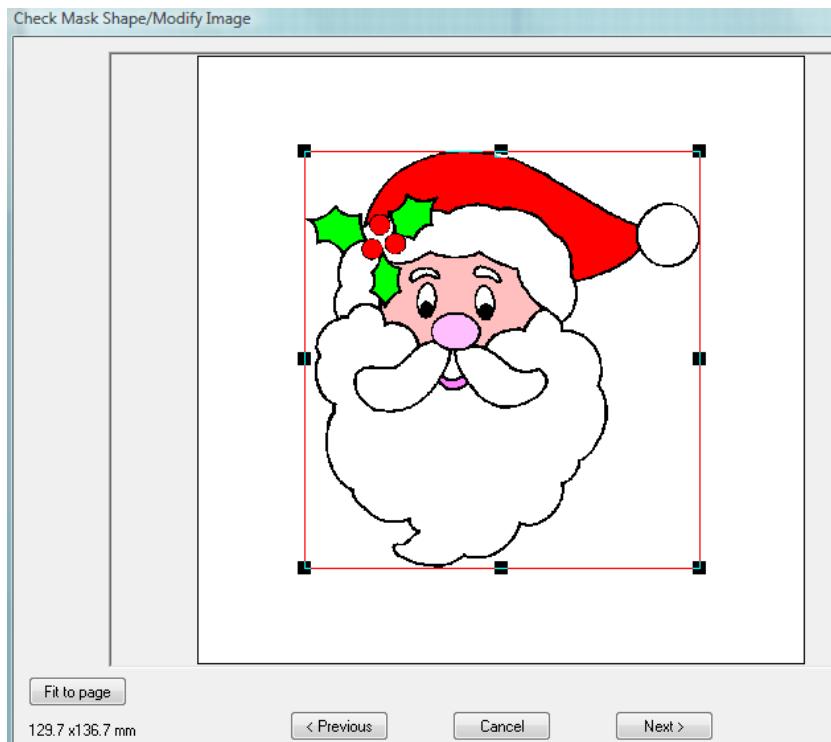
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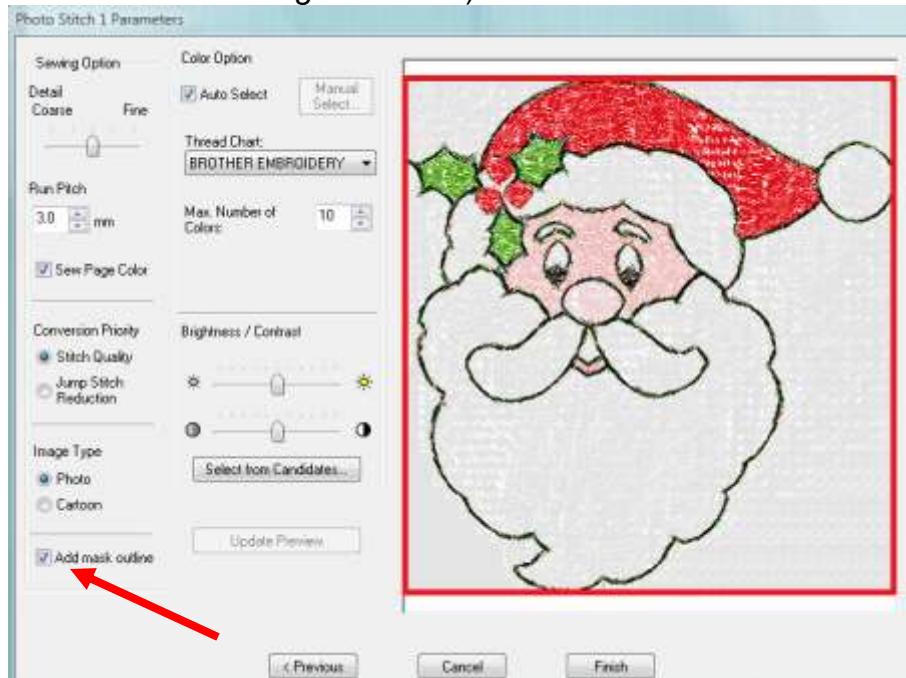
- In the Select Stitch Method for Image field, select Photo Stitch 1 and click on Next.



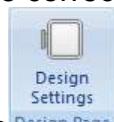
- In the Select Mask field click on Next. This will apply the first application to the image.
- In the next field, Check Mask Shape/Modify Image, no changes will be made. Click on Next.



- In the Photo Stitch 1 Parameters field, select Add Mask Outline (as shown in the following illustration) and click on Finish.



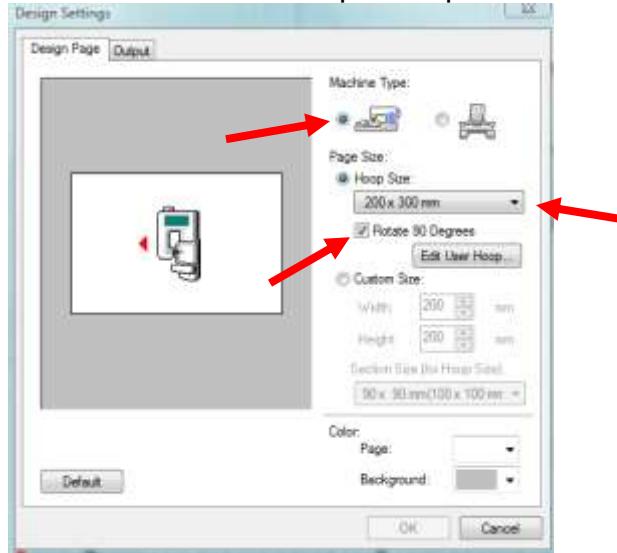
- So that you use the correct size hoop for the project, click on the Design



Settings Page icon [Design Page](#) and follow the next set of steps:

- Under the Machine Type choose the sewing/Embroidery icon.
- Under the Hoop Size click on the down arrow and select 200mm x 300mm hoop.

- Place a checkmark next to Rotate 90 Degrees.
- Click on OK for the hoop to be placed on the workspace.



Embroidery:

1. With the machine on, connect the USB end of the communication cable to the computer and the other end to the Ellisimo.
2. Going back to the Palette, send the design to the Ellisimo by clicking on the  Send icon. Click on Send to Your Machine through to the USB drive.
3. Retrieve the design in the machine.
4. Click Merge icon and select from the screen and font of your choice. Type in "HO! HO! HO!" using the large font size. Place the lettering above Santa. Click on the duplicate icon to duplicate the lettering and place the second set below Santa (as shown in the photo).
5. Hoop the 18" x 18" square beige fabric along with the tear-away stabilizer.
6. Thread the machine with the appropriate thread colors and embroider the design.

Assembly:

1. Press the embroidered section and then trim the section so that it measures 10" x 10".
2. From the red Christmas print fabric, cut two strips across the width of the fabric 3 1/2" wide.
3. Set the machine up for sewing.
4. Sew one of the 3 1/2" wide strips to the top and bottom of the center embroidered section.
5. Trim the ends and press toward the red print fabric.
6. Sew the remaining 3 1/2" wide strips to each of the sides of the center embroidered section. Trim the ends and press toward the red print fabric.
7. Attach the Christmas trim over the inside seam using a straight stitch.
8. From the beige Christmas print fabric, cut three strips across the width of the fabric.
9. Piece the strips together on the short ends to form one long strip.

10. Fold and press the section together lengthwise.
11. Attach the ruffling foot to the machine and set the ruffle to create a medium ruffle.
12. Place the folded strip with the raw edge placed along the ruffle and ruffle the length.
13. Pin the ruffled strip to the right side of the embroidered section with raw edges even. Baste in place using a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance. Tip: When you get to the corners, stitch around the corners rather than stitching them square. It makes for a prettier corner.
14. Cut a 17" square from the red Christmas print fabric.
15. With right sides together, lay the square on top of the embroidered section and sew the top to the back using a $\frac{1}{2}$ seam allowance while leaving a 8" opening for inserting the pillow.
16. Turn the pillow case right side out and insert the pillow. Sew the opening closed.

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