

Traditional Cutwork

Method 1: Adding Cutwork to a Vector

- Open BERNINA CutWork Software.
- Make sure that Create New is selected in the wizard.
- Click Next.
- Place a dot in front of From File.
- Click on Browse.
- Navigate to the Bernina Cutwork Samples folder.
- Select ASC 00058.cmx.
- Click on Open.
- Click on Next.
- In the Fabric dialog box, open the Embroidery Normal category by clicking on the +.
- Select Linen 3 from the Fabric Type and choose a background color.
- Click Next.
- In the Color Reduction dialog box, click Finish.

Adding Cutwork



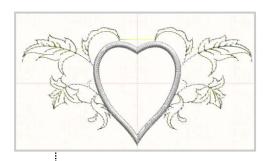
- Click on the Zoom In icon and draw a bounding box around the design.
- Select the heart, right click, and select Break Apart from the menu.
- Select the outer heart again, right click, and select *Break Apart*.
- Draw a bounding box, excluding the larger heart, but including all lines of the next largest heart.
- Right click and select *Delete* from the menu.
- Select the heart; click on the Cutwork icon.
- In Object Properties, place a check mark in front of Running Before. Change the Offset to 1 and Passes to two.
- Place a check mark in front of Net Fill. Change the Offset to 1.5 mm, the Cell Size to 2 mm, and the angle to 0°.
- Place a check mark in front of Satin Serial. Change the Offset to
 1.
- In *Tool Options*, change the *Outline* value to 3 mm. Hit *Enter*.
- Select Edit> Select All.
- Left click on the upper left hand corner of a color chip in the Thread Palette to convert to a one-color design.
- Select *File> Save As.* Navigate to the location to save the file. Name the file, *Cutwork from Vector*.
- Click on Save.
- Export the design to the machine of your choice.

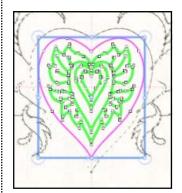


Method 2: CutWork from Embroidery Design

- Open BERNINA Embroidery Software.
- Click on File> Open.
- Navigate to the Florals folder and select FQ037. Click on Open.







You may also delete parts of the design by selecting Delete on your keyboard.

If the colors revert, select Ctrl A and click on the upper left hand corner of a color chip in the Thread Palette.

If Object Properties is not open, go to View> Toolbars> Object Properties.

To open Tool Options, go to View> Toolbars. Place a check mark in front of Tool Options.

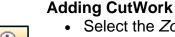




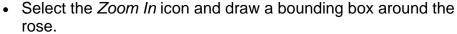
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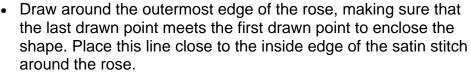
- · Select the design.
- Click on Ungroup.
- Open Color Film and select the light grey stitching.
- Hit *Delete* on the keyboard.
- · Select File> Save As.
- Navigate to the desired location to save the file.
- In Save As Type, select BERNINA USB Stick (*.exp) or Melco (*.exp). Click Save.
- Open BERNINA CutWork software. Select File> New if the wizard is not open.
- Make sure that *Create New* is selected in the wizard.
- · Click Next.
- Place a dot in front of From Embroidery. Click on Browse.
- Navigate to the location of the saved file and select it.
- Click on Open. Click on Next.
- In the Fabric dialog box, open the *Embroidery Normal* category by clicking on the +.
- Select *Linen 3* from the *Fabric Type* and choose a background color.
- Click Next. Click Finish.











- Hit the space bar to select the drawn line.
- Select the Edit Node icon.
- Edit the drawn line as needed. (see information to right)
- Hit the space bar.
- Click on the Cutwork icon.
- In Sequence Manager, select the cutwork layer and move into first position by dragging into place.
- Place a check mark in front of Running Before and change the Offset to 1; the Passes, to 2.
- Place a check mark in front of Net Fill. Change the Cell size to 1, Offset to 1, and the Angle to 45°. Hit Enter.
- Select File> Save As. Navigate to the location to save the file.
- Name the file, Adding Cutwork to Embroidery Design.
- Click on Save. Export to the machine of your choice.



- Select File> New. Make sure Create New is selected.
- Click on Next in the wizard.
- Select New Graphic and select a hoop size. Click Next.



If you have other cutwork designs, you can import directly into CutWork software by selecting From Embroidery in the Wizard. CutWork software will open many types of embroidery formats.



EDITING NODES

Select a node by clicking on it. It turns blue.

To add a node:

Right click on the line where you wish to add the node and select *Add node* or simply double click on the position. A smooth node is always added.

To delete a node:

Right click on the node and select *Delete node* or select the node and press delete.

To change a node:

Select the node you wish to change, right click and select the opposite type from the menu. A smooth node creates curves; a cusp node creates points and straight lines.

To move a node: Select the node and drag it into a new location.

To reshape the outline, you may also change the direction or shorten/lengthen the control handles.







- Select the type of fabric and the color of the background.
- Click Finish.

Intersect Tool

- Select the Create Ellipse tool.
- Draw a circle while holding the Ctrl key.
- Hit the space bar to select the object.
- Make sure Proportional is checked in Tool Options.
- In Tool Options, change the height to 55 mm. Hit Enter.
- Select Edit> Copy. Select Edit> Paste.
- Use the right arrow key to move the copy to the right of the first object.
- Select Edit> Select All.
- Click on the Intersect icon.
- Move the created shape away from the intersecting circles. Select the intersecting circles and delete.

Apply Circular Array

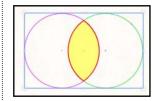
- Add guidelines to the design by clicking on the horizontal and vertical rulers and dragging the guidelines to the horizontal center and vertical center of the design screen.
- Select the created shape and move the design so that the lower point of the design is placed at 0,0. Zoom in for accuracy.
- Select the Create Circular Array icon.
- In *Tool Options*, change the *Start Angle* to 90°, the *End Angle* to 90°, and the *Step Count* to 6.
- While holding the *Shift* key, move the object at 90° position away from the 0,0 point.
- Click Apply Circular Array bar in the dialog box when pleased with the arrangement of the array. Make sure it is within the hoop.
- While the shapes are all selected, click on the *Cutwork* icon to add cutwork to the shapes.
- Place a check mark in front of *Running Before* and change the *Offset* to 1 mm.
- Place a check mark in front of Satin Serial. Change the Outline value in Tool Options to 3 mm.
- Hit Enter to activate the changes.

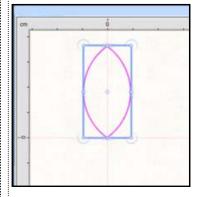
Weld Tool

- Select the Create Polygon Tool.
- In *Tool Options*, change the *Number of Sides* to 3.
- Make sure the Start Angle is 90° in Tool Options.

Click on the black triangle in the lower right hand corner if the Create Ellipse icon is not visible on the Toolbar.

Holding the Ctrl key while drawing a shape snaps the shape on diagonal guidelines.





Holding the Shift key while moving the original object will keep the object from rotating off the axis as it is being moved. Click on the center control handle of the object to move it.

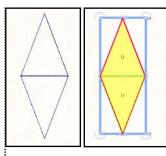
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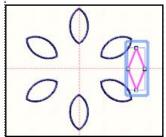




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- Draw a triangle by clicking and dragging your mouse down.
- Hit the space bar to select the triangle.
- Make sure *Proportional* is unchecked in Tool Options.
 Change the width to 24 and the height to 30. Hit *Enter*.
- Select Edit> Copy; then Edit> Paste.
- Select Mirror Y.
- Move the copy so that the edges of the triangle just meet as pictured to the right. Zoom in for accuracy.
- While holding the *Ctrl* key, select each triangle.
- Select the Weld icon.
- Resize the diamond shape if necessary by clicking and dragging on a corner handle to resize proportionately.
- Move the diamond object so that the left center point is at 0 on Y axis and is positioned between the objects of the array as desired.



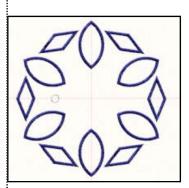


Apply Circular Array

- Click on Create Circular Array.
- Change the values in *Tool Options* to *Start Angle* 0, *End Angle* 360, leave the *Step Count* at 6.
- If you wish to move the diamond array in relation to the first array, hold the Shift key down and move the diamond at the 0° position.
- When pleased with the arrangement, click Apply Circular Array.
- Select the CutWork icon to add cutwork to this array.
- Place a check mark in front of *Running Before* and change the *Offset* to 1 mm.
- Place a check mark in front of Satin Serial. Change the Outline value in Tool Options to 3 mm. Hit Enter.

Adding Eyelets

- To create an eyelet, select the Create Ellipse icon.
- Hold the Ctrl key down and draw a small circle.
- Hit the space bar to select the circle.
- In Tool Options, change the height and width to 8 mm.
- Hit Enter to activate.
- Move the eyelet to the Y axis at 180° position.
- Select Create Circular Array; changing the Start Angle and End Angle at 180° and keeping the Step Count at 6.
- Apply the array.
- Add Cutwork, Running Before with an Offset of 1, and add Satin Serial, changing the width to 3 mm.
- Edit> Select All.
- Right click and select Combine.



By combining these cutwork shapes, the cutting function will be done more efficiently.



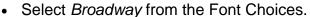




Adding an Initial.



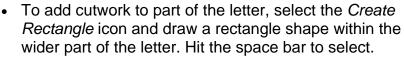
Select the Edit Text Icon.



Click in the center of the circle and type your desired initial.

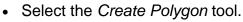


- · Change the size of the letter as desired.
- Select the initial and while holding the Ctrl key, select the surrounding cutwork shapes.
- Click on Align Vertical Centers and Align Horizontal Centers.



- Click on the CutWork icon and add a Running Before stitch with 2 passes and a 1.5 mm offset. Do not add a Satin Serial to the cutwork rectangle.
- Select the letter, click on Satin Serial and change the Outline value in *Tool Options* to 2.5 mm. Hit *Enter*.
- Change the color of the letter to create a color stop by left clicking on the upper left hand corner of a color chip in the Thread Palette.
- Select *Edit*> *Select All*, right click, and select *Group*.
- Select File> Save As.
- Navigate to the location to save the file.
- Name the file, Created CutWork and click on Save.

Add a Border

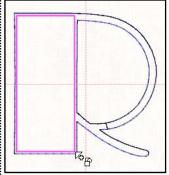


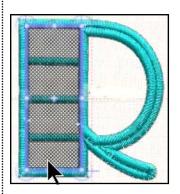
- Change the number of sides to 6 and draw a hexagon large enough to surround the design.
- Hit the space bar to select the hexagon.
- Change the color of the hexagon to a different color by clicking on the upper left hand corner of a color chip in the Thread Palette.
- Select Edit> Select All.



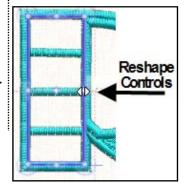
- Click on Align Centers Horizontally and Align Centers vertically.
- Select the hexagon and click on *Copy*; then *Paste*.
- Select the original hexagon in Sequence Manager and apply CutWork. Add a Running Before, Offset of 2.
- · Select the copy of the hexagon and click on Satin Serial. Place a check in front of Offset with a values of -3mm.
- Change the width of the Outline value to 8 mm.
- Select the Zigzag option for the satin stitch in Object Properties. Click on Save.

You can change the shape proportionately by clicking and dragging on the corner of the selection box around the object.





After adding the CutWork, make sure that the cutting lines will be to the inside of the satin stitch of the letter. You can reshape the Cut-Work area if needed.







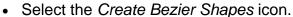




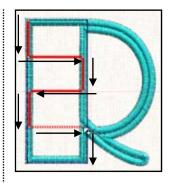


Adding Richelieu Bars in CutWork

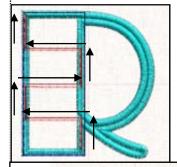
- · Make sure everything is deselected. Zoom In.
- To add Richelieu bars to the cutwork letter, first choose another color that hasn't been used by clicking on the upper left hand corner of a color chip in the Thread Palette.
- In the dialog box that opens, make sure that "Make that color default for new graphic objects" is checked and that "For that design only" is also checked. Click OK.



- Beginning in the upper left corner of the rectangle, toward the outside edge of the satin stitch of the lettering, left click while holding the Ctrl key and work your way down and across the letter with a series of left clicks. (See first diagram at right; place a click at the beginning and end of each arrow).
- Right click to activate.
- Repeat the path back up the letter, staggering the outline stitches so they are not directly on top of one another across the letter. Once again, hold the Ctrl key as you are left clicking. Place the lines toward the outside edge of the satin stitch.
- · Right click to activate.
- For the last path, select another color, repeat the order of the first diagram, but right click two times at the end of each left click segment to create separate objects. This will allow you to create different object properties for the segments. (see diagram)
- Click on the Rectangle Selection tool and select the segments that go across the letter while holding the Ctrl key.
- Click on Satin Serial and change the value of the Outline in Tool Options to 2 mm. Hit Enter.
- While they are selected, place a check mark in front of Underlay in Object Properties and select Zigzag+ for the underlay type in the drop down selection.
- In Sequence Manager, select the Richelieu Bar segments (as they were drawn from beginning to the end) while holding down the Ctrl key. Drag them to stitch before the initial.
- While they are all selected, click on the upper left corner of the color chip that was used for the initial.
- Drag the cutwork rectangle to the second layer (the layer after the combined cutwork objects).
- · Save the file.



Selecting the Backspace key will erase one click at a time.



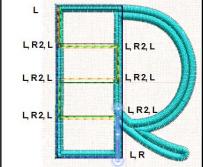
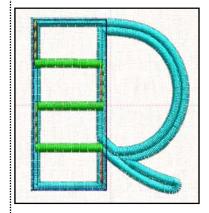


Diagram indicates mouse clicks.



The segments that are buried in the satin stitch of the lettering will be running stitches between the satin stitches and will prevent jump stitches.

