Neck Facing Pattern Pieces
For the Lilified Beach Caftan in
Through the Needle ONLINE,
Issue 17

Lilified Beach Caftan
Front neck facing
Join pieces, aligning red lines
Cut 1 on fold

Lilified Beach Caftan
Back neck facing
Cut 1 on fold

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Carry beach towels, snacks, and water in this summery monogrammed tote, embellished with “Lilified” applique from the BERNINA Exclusive Collection #82003, is just the thing for your next trip to the beach. Instructions for the coordinating caftan are found in Through the Needle ONLINE, Issue #17.

Supplies

**Machine & Accessories**
- BERNINA Embroidery Machine
- Jumbo, Mega, or Large Oval Hoop
- CutWork Tool and Stitch Plate (optional)
- All-purpose foot (BERNINA Reverse Pattern Foot #1/1C/1D)
- Overlock foot (BERNINA Overlock Foot #2)
- Edgestitch Foot (BERNINA Edgestitch Foot #10/10C/10D)
- Embroidery Foot (BERNINA Teardrop Embroidery Foot #26)

**Embroidery Collection**
- BERNINA Exclusive “Lilified” Collection #82003

**Fabric & Notions**
- Benartex “Lilified” Collection
  - Bella Flora Fuchsia
  - Bella Flora Orange
- black crinkled silk, polyester, or cotton gauze
- 4” x 10” rectangle of Soft and Stable
- OESD HeavyWeight Cut-Away Stabilizer, black
- OESD HydroStick Tear-Away Stabilizer
- OESD Applique Fuse & Fix
- Fusible interfacing
- 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive
- 1 yard of braided cord for the drawstring
- 1 yard of 2”-wide webbing for the handle
- Isacord embroidery thread in desired colors
- Bobbin thread for embroidery
- All-purpose thread for construction
- Piping Hot Binding Tool and cording
- Organ Embroidery needles, #75/11 Sharp for embroidery
- Microtex needles, #80/12

**Cutting Instructions**
- Crinkled silk, polyester, or gauze
  - Cut one 16” x 18” rectangle
- Lilified Bella Flora Fuchsia
  - Cut two 1 1/2” x 28” strips for piping
  - Cut two 4” x 10” rectangles for base
- Lilified Bella Flora Orange
  - Cut one 3” x 28” strip for upper trim
  - Cut one 5” x 28” strip for lower trim
- Fusible interfacing (center and fuse to corresponding pieces)
  - Cut one 2 1/2” x 28” strip
  - Cut one 4 1/2” x 28” strip

- Mark the center of the 16” x 28” fabric strip. Select and embroider the desired applique monogram following the instructions included with the embroidery collection.

_for detailed instructions, see “Lilified Beach Caftan” in Through the Needle ONLINE, Issue #17._
Construct the Tote

- Create trim pieces as detailed in the Lilified Beach Caftan instructions.

- Set your sewing machine for a straight stitch and attach a quarter inch foot (BERNINA Patchwork Foot #37/37D or Patchwork Foot with Guide #57/57D).

- With the body of the bag flat, stitch the lower trim piece to the lower edge with wrong sides together using a ¼"-wide seam allowance.

- Sew the unpiped edge of the upper trim piece to the upper edge of the bag with the right side of the trim to the wrong side of the bag. Press the seam allowances toward the trim.

- At the lower edge, stitch the top edge of the trim to the bag using an edgestitch foot (BERNINA Edgestitch Foot #10/10C/10D), stitching in the ditch of the piping edge.

- Fold the trimmed bag piece right sides together; stitch together to form a tube, including the upper trim piece.

- Fold the upper trim in half to form a cuff at the upper edge of the bag. Stitch-in-the-ditch of the piped trim to finish the top of the bag. The free-arm of your sewing machine is perfect for this operation.

- For the bottom of the bag, place a 4" x 10" piece of Soft and Stable between the two 4" x 10" pieces of fabric, wrong side of the fabric toward the stabilizer. Stitch around the outer edge, a scant ¼" from the raw edges.

- Staystitch around the lower edge of the bag, a scant ¼" from the raw edge.

- Measure 5" to each side of the back seam to mark the back corners. Clip, taking care not to cut through the staystitching.

- Measure 4" out from the back corners to mark the front corners. Clip.

- Pin the lower edge of the bag and the bag base right sides together, machine the clips to the corners of the base. Stitch together using a ¼"-wide seam allowance. (The stay-stitching will be hidden in the seam allowances, just inside the seamline.)

- Finish the raw edges with an overlock stitch.

- Install eight large grommets around the upper trim, spaced evenly, for the drawstring. Thread the cord through the grommets and tie knots in the ends. Hand the cords to the side so they don’t cover the appliqued monogram.

- Stitch the 36"-long piece of 2"-wide webbing over the seam on the back of the bag using a triple straight stitch, turning the ends of the webbing under so they don’t ravel.

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