

Step by Step Instructions for Basic Applique

★ Basic Project Supplies

All supplies are listed on the back of the pattern cover.

★ Numbered Pattern

Each pattern contains two black and white artwork patterns. The small pattern has the numbers and the alpha characters.

The numbers are in chronological order that pieces are to be placed onto the background fabric.

The alpha characters represent the fabric colors as listed on the color value chart.

The large pattern will also have notes and tips about specific areas.

★ Preparing Pattern

1. The large black and white artwork pattern will need to be taped together.
2. Using scissors, cut on the dashed lines, to remove the extra paper.
3. Match pattern pages together. Using Scotch® magic tape, tape pattern pages together.
4. Using a Sharpie® permanent black fine point marker, trace any missing lines.
5. Using a pencil, number each piece on the front of the large pattern. Use the small pattern that is numbered as a reference. Also transfer any directional arrows, notes, etc.

6. The pattern is **NOT REVERSED**. Turn the pattern over on the light box.

7. Using a pencil transfer the numbers, alpha characters and any directional arrows or notes to the back of the pattern.

★ Finding the Center of the Pattern

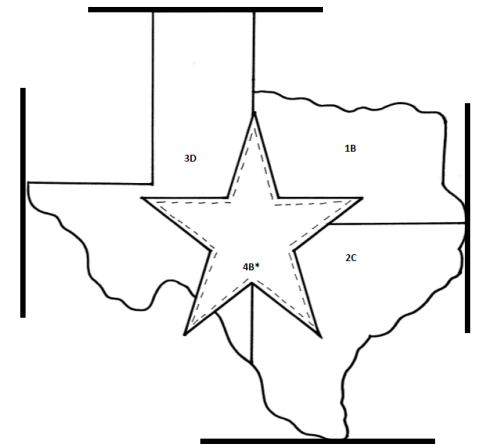
1. To find the center of the pattern, use a ruler and a pencil. Draw a line on top of artwork top and bottom, then left and right side.
2. Fold bottom of pattern to top, matching the top drawn line to the bottom drawn lines. Finger press the center of the pattern.
3. Repeat the step above for left side to right side.

4. Using a Sharpie® permanent marker, make a dot in the center. Then trace over the centering lines that were made when the pattern was creased.

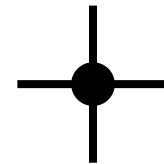
★ Tracing Applique Pieces

1. Turn pattern over and place onto light box.
2. Using a pencil, trace each piece onto the Steam A Seam 2® fusible on the side with the yellow graph lines. Trace on the line of the artwork.
3. Trace each piece in numerical order. If any section touches another section, add 1/8 inch dashed line on overlapping pieces. Leave 1/2 inch between pieces. Circle the number on the back of the pattern after it has been traced.

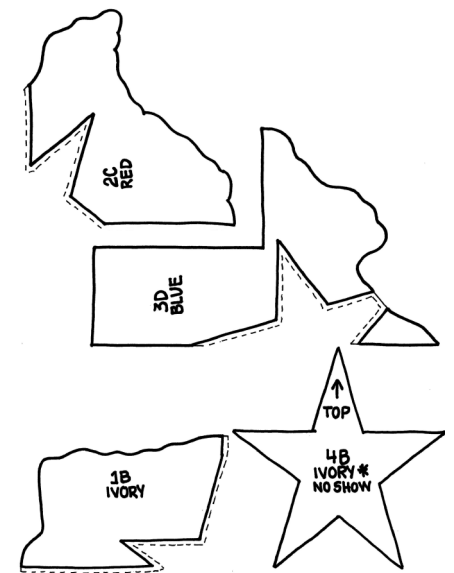
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Add pencil artwork lines.



Centering lines.



Traced Applique Pieces with 1/8 of an inch overlap, dashed lines added.

Be sure to identify each piece by adding notes to include, number, part name and any directional notes.

4. Check the back of the pattern to make sure all pieces have been traced.

★ **Preparing Applique Pieces**

1. Using scissors, cut out between each piece. **DO NOT CUT** on traced lines.

2. If the artwork pattern has any special details, they need to be traced onto the applique piece so they can be transferred to the fabric.

3. Place the applique piece back onto the artwork pattern and transfer any details using a pencil. After tracing wash hands to remove pencil.

4. Match up each applique piece with the correct fabric.

5. Remove the release paper and stick the applique piece onto the wrong side of the fabric. Pay attention to any directional notes, etc.

6. If the piece has special details, trace over the markings with the black Sharpie® onto the Steam A Seam® 2.

7. Place the piece onto the light box. Using the Pigma® Micron pen listed, trace details onto right side of fabric.

8. Take all pieces, background fabric and Bear Thread® applique pressing sheet to an ironing surface. Clean iron with a Magic Eraser®. Wet the

Magic Eraser®, ring out to activate cleaner. Place on a cotton towel and run hot sole plate over wet eraser.

9. Press applique sheet and background fabric to make sure it is flat.

10. Lay applique pieces on top of the applique pressing sheet. Press with **clean** hot dry iron. Iron setting should be 180 degrees or cotton.

TIP: Keep gently used dryer sheets at ironing surface to clean the hot iron sole plate after pressing the applique pieces. Steam A Seam® 2 melts and can get on iron.

★ **Placing Applique Pieces**

1. Find the center of the background fabric by folding bottom to top, lightly finger crease. Repeat for left to right.

2. Match the center of the background fabric with the center of the artwork pattern.

3. Using two straight pins, pin background fabric to the artwork pattern. Top and bottom.

4. Using a "T" pin to score the Steam A Seam® 2 release paper in the center.

5. Place background fabric with pinned artwork pattern back on light box.

6. In numerical order, fold the applique piece in half to remove release paper from Steam A Seam® 2. Place onto the background fabric. Continue until all pieces are in place.

7. Press for 15-20 second with clean, hot dry iron on cotton setting.

8. Check to make sure **ALL** applique pieces are in the correct position. If they are not gently remove and adjust placement.

9. Fold two paper towels together. Spray with water bottle. Place wet paper towel over applique pieces and press with clean, hot dry iron. The wet paper towel will provide heavy steam in the area. Repeat until all pieces have been steamed into place.

10. Square to block size and store flat until ready to use.

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