



Smiley Ghost Coaster

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Supply List:

1/4" White Cording (clothesline), 2-1/2 yards

5" Square Stick On Stabilizer, 2 squares

2" Square Vinyl

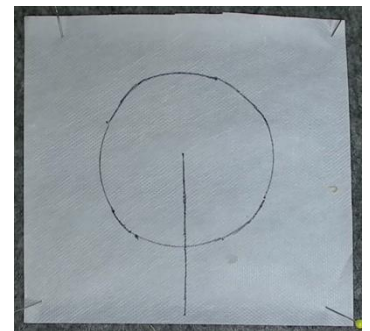
3-1/2" Circle Felt/Cork

White Sewing Machine Thread

Sewing Machine, Open Toe Presser Foot

Directions:

1. Apply one piece of stick on stabilizer to front of second piece (create a double layer of stabilizer with one side with release paper still attached).
2. Draw a 3-1/4" circle on the stabilizer side the double layer (created in step 1 above), then draw a straight line down from the center of the circle (about three inches long).
3. Turn the stabilizer over and remove the release paper from the back side.
4. Working with the stabilizer positioned (as shown in the first photo above), start at the bottom end of the straight line and position the cut end of the cording along the left side of the line starting at the bottom/end, along the left side, over the top, and then down the right side of the line pressing the cording against each other and against the sticky side of the stabilizer to adhere the cord to the stabilizer as shown bottom right. Cut the cord after each wrap around, leaving the ends a various length.
5. Continue wrapping cord around previous "stuck" wraps (those that are already stuck to the stabilizer) in the same manner, starting and stopping the cord



at various lengths and allowing the cord ends to fray as you wrap and stick them onto the stabilizer. Continue wrapping more cord lengths around ghost shape until you obtain the desired size for your coaster (ours



took nine wraps around the top) and vary the start/stop length of the cord as shown in the photo above.

6. Trim away excess stabilizer from around the outer edge of the stabilizer stuck cords



(trimming excess stabilizer away prevents it from accidentally sticking to the presser foot as you sew).

7. At the sewing machine, install white thread into machine (needle and bobbin). Set machine for center position zig-zag, medium length/width and attach open toe foot onto machine ankle.
8. Sew the cording together with the zig-zag stitch. Position the ghost coaster with the stabilizer side against the bed of the sewing machine, and the cording side up. Stitch the first center line (illustrated in RED in the photo on the right) and sew the cording with the presser foot centered with the well of the cording (where two sides of cording touch) securing the starting/stop points.



9. Continue sewing the cording together in the same manner (presser foot centered to the well between the cording) with the zig zag stitch, securing the starting/stopping points as you work each row working from the bottom, up around the top and down to the opposite side, cutting the cording at various lengths as you go (notice in photo right the final shape of the lower edge of the ghost coaster). Photo on right illustrates open toe foot seated centered to the well of the cording, and each row having been stitched into place. Continue sewing until each well of cording is sewn into place with the zigzag stitching.

10. After the last row is complete, you can add a layer of felt or cork (optional) to the back side of the ghost coaster. Simply slip a piece of cork or felt (sized to cover the bottom of the coaster) on the back side and stitch it into place (from the top side) along the last line of stitching. Once this last row of felt/cork attachment stitching is done, your coaster is ready to be completed.

11. Cut out ghost face from black vinyl (press on or for a more permanent bond use iron on) and position it onto the top cording side of the ghost coaster. Press or iron on well to secure bond.



Your smiley ghost coaster is now complete, Enjoy!