

Projects

“Old World Paisleys”



Originally Seen in [Designs in Machine Embroidery](#) January/ February 2008 Issue this beautiful table runner project has been remade for the Baby Lock [Enterprise](#). The same basic steps for the project construction are used, except now you can take advantage of the many great features of the [Enterprise](#) embroidery machine. With ten needles, True View HD LCD screen, LED lighted spool stands, speed of 1000 stitch per minute, NeedleCam for precise design placement, and much more the Baby Lock [Enterprise](#) is more than a business venture it is a creative adventure!

Designs Used are from [Amazing Designs](#):
[Paisley I](#) (ADC-31J)
[Feathered Fancy](#) (ADBL-13D)



OLD WORLD PAISLEYS

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Breathe life into richly colored wool felt with elegant peacocks, Jacobean flowers and fanciful paisleys. The multiple layers of felt add dimension and color to this heirloom table runner. You'll embroider on the first layer (loden green), then stack the embroidered sections onto cranberry felt and trim with pinking shears. Sew the appliqué onto a base of olive green felt and finally, place the table runner on another piece of cranberry felt and cut with pinking shears.

Embroidery Products

Baby Lock Embroidery
and Sewing Machine
Amazing Designs Paisley I
Collection (ADC-31J)
Baby Lock Jacobean Birds Design
Collection (BLDP-P55)

Materials

1 1/4 yd. loden green wool felt
1 1/2 yd. cranberry red wool felt
1 yd. olive green wool felt
1 yd. fusible webbing
Pinking shears
Embroidery thread
Monofilament thread

All of the designs are first embroidered on the loden green wool felt. No stabilizer is necessary for embroidering the designs, due to the thickness of the wool felt!

Step 1. Embroidery

Hoop the loden green wool felt into the large embroidery frame. Select the peacock designs and enlarge it to 13.7cm x 15.5 cm. Move the design to the bottom center of the embroidery hoop and embroider the design.

Without removing the hoop, rotate the peacock to an upside down position in the hoop. Move the designs to the top/center of the hoop and embroider the pattern again.

Remove the embroidered peacocks from the hoop. Re-hoop the loden green wool felt leaving several inches of felt between the embroidered peacocks and the new area to be embroidered.

Select a Jacobean flower embroidery pattern, enlarge the design to its largest format, and embroider the design. Remove the embroidered flower from the hoop.



Re-hoop for the second flower, again leaving several inches of felt between each design. Select the horizontal mirror image of the already selected Jacobean flower before embroidery the second flower design.

Remove fabric from the hoop and re-hoop for the next pattern. Continue stitching the smaller Jacobean flower design (15.3cm x 14.2cm) (two of one pattern) and the paisley designs (enlarge to maximum size) (four repeats of two different patterns) making sure to mirror image each design before stitching a second time.

Step 2. Construct the Table Runner

Press fusible webbing to the back side of each embroidered design. Cut out designs as follows: for the peacocks and large Jacobean flower designs follow the shaped pattern (available at www.dzgns.com, click on issue updates), for the paisleys and the

small Jacobean flower designs trim close to the edge of the embroidered designs.

Following the manufacturer's recommendations, fuse the embroidered wool to the cranberry wool felt. Cut around each design using pinking shears, allow about 1/4" of the cranberry red felt to show along all of the edges.

Place the embroidered designs onto the olive green felt using the photograph as a guide. Pin the designs in place. Baste the designs securely to the olive green felt. Cut out the table runner. Allow about 3/8" of the olive green wool felt to show around the outer edge of each design, use regular shears. Pin the table runner to the cranberry red felt. Thread the machine with the monofilament thread; stitch around each design; through all three layers of wool felt. Trim the outer edge of the table runner with pinking shears; allowing about 1/4" of cranberry red felt to show. Steam and press the entire table runner.