

Projects

"Envelope Labels"



The quilt that you make today will probably one day be a cherished heirloom! Don't leave the story of who made the quilt to chance, make a simple envelope label and record your story exactly as you would like it to be told.

Skill Level: Beginner

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Supplies:

Baby Lock Sewing and Embroidery Machine

1-8" x 10" piece of Steam-A-Seam 2 iron-on Stabilizer

Stitch-N-Ditch Stabilizer

2-8" x 10" squares of fabric

Buttonhole foot

Open Toe foot

All-purpose thread to match fabrics

Stiletto

Straight pins

Scissors

Closure as desired: button, 1/2" grosgrain ribbon, snaps, Velcro, etc.

Template (provided on last page)

Instructions:

1. Place Steam-A-Seam 2 Fusible web product between the two pieces of fabric and fuse together following manufacturer's instructions.
2. Cut the envelope shape out of the fabric using the template provided.
3. Place the envelope shape on top of two pieces of Stitch-N-Ditch stabilizer and sew around the outside edge using a 2.5mm stitch width that is .4mm long. If you have an open toe foot for your machine this would be a good time to use it!

Hint: Using a stiletto to hold the fabric down right before you sew it is a great way to keep from getting wrinkles in your project!



4. Remove the envelope from the Stitch-N-Ditch stabilizer. It should peel off very easily!
5. Now, stitch from the other side of the envelope using a 3.5mm stitch width and .3mm stitch length. This way you will be covering up any of the little fragments of stabilizer that did not get removed cleanly.
6. Once all of the stitching is done, fold in all four corners of the envelope to create the shape. Notice that two of the sides are shorter and the opposing two are longer. The shorter sides are the "side" of the envelope and the wider two are the top and bottom flap.

Embroidery Option:

If desired, place a piece of tear-away stabilizer in the hoop of your embroidery machine and using a built in font, embroider a personalized message to the recipient of the quilt. Then proceed to step 7 and finish off the closure!



7. To finish the envelope you have several options:

- a. Place one buttonhole at the point of the top flap and sew a button at the point of the bottom flap to close



- b. Place two buttonholes at the point of the top flap and sew a strip of grosgrain ribbon at the point of the bottom flap. Thread one end of the ribbon through each buttonhole and tie in a bow to close



- c. Place one side of a snap at each the top and bottom flap to secure the envelope closed

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