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PERFECT PATIO OUTDOOR PILLOWS & RUNNER



Brighten up any patio seating arrangement with these colorful outdoor pillows and the matching table runner for your coffee table or dining table. Use durable fabrics and these quick and easy decor sewing projects will liven up your space in no time!

Skill Level: Beginner

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Supplies:

Baby Lock Sewing & Embroidery Machine

Narrow Zipper Foot (ESG-NZF)

LetterWorks III

Embroidery software, such as Baby Lock Palette or Designer's Gallery

Spool of polyester embroidery thread

All-purpose thread to match fabrics

1 yard stripe outdoor fabric for pillows

2/3" yards yellow canvas for pillow and piping

1 yard red outdoor home décor fabric for pillows

Two 14" pillow forms

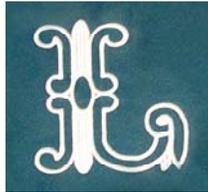
Two 16" pillow forms

Synthetic clothesline (50 ft x 3/16")

Baby Lock Cut-Away stabilizer
Fiberfill pillow stuffing
Pencil
Ruler
Scissors
Chalk
Pins

Instructions:

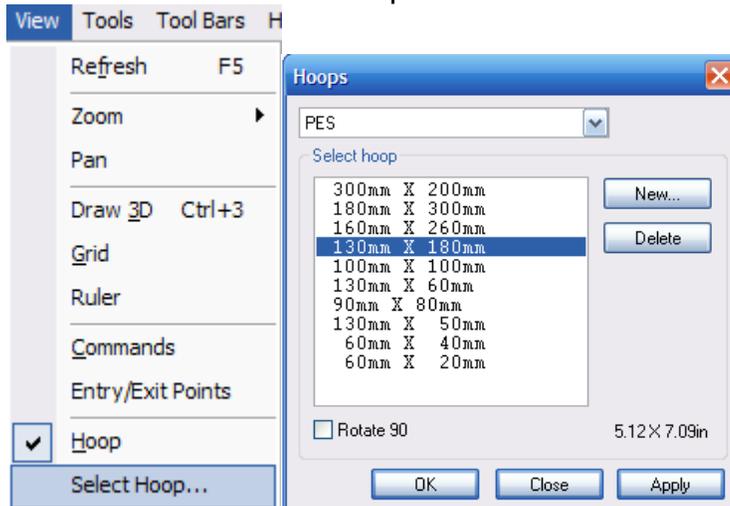
Monogram Initial:



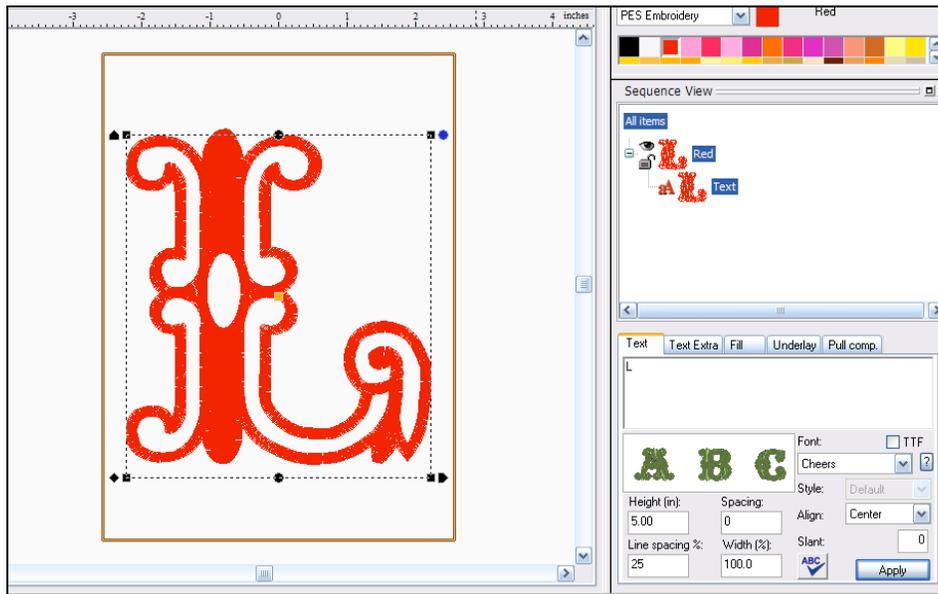
1. Open LetterWorks III



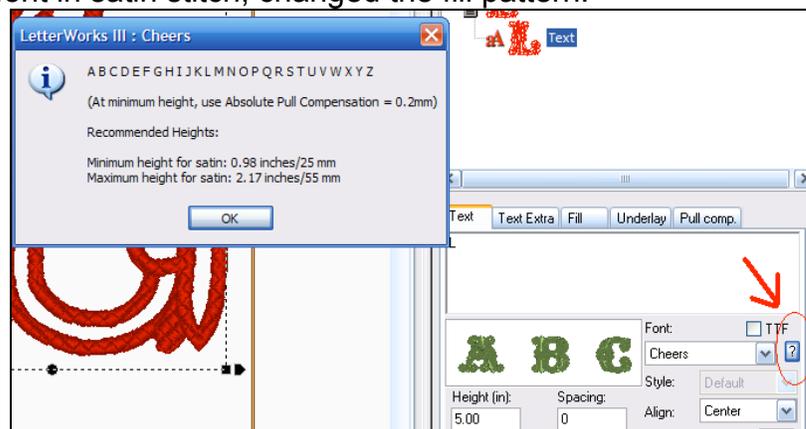
2. Select the text icon and click to create text.
3. Select View then select hoop. Choose the 130mm x 180mm (5"x 7") hoop.



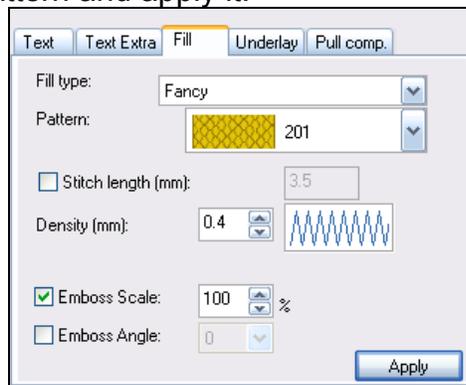
4. In the properties box type the letter and choose a font (font shown is "Cheers").



5. Change the size to 5". Because this goes outside the recommended size for this font in satin stitch, changed the fill pattern.



6. Select the Fill tab. Change the Fill type on the drop down menu to Fancy then select a fill pattern and apply it.



7. Once you have the desired initial, save the design.
8. Use your transfer system to transfer the design and write to card. Place it in the machine.

Pillows:



To Make Custom Piping:

- Cut 8 strips 1-1/2" wide x width of the fabric from the yellow canvas. Connect the strips together to make one long piece.
- Place the narrow zipper foot on the machine select a straight stitch and adjust the needle position left or right as needed so the needle does not strike the foot.
- Fold the canvas strip over the clothesline. Use the narrow zipper foot to stitch close the piping cord.

Red Initial Pillows:

1. Cut four 16" squares from the red outdoor fabric.
2. Set up the machine for embroidery mode.
3. Hoop a piece of cut away stabilizer and one 16" square of red fabric, centering it in the hoop.
4. Embroider the letter.
5. Once the embroidery is complete, clip jump threads and remove it from the machine and hoop.
6. Repeat this for one more of the red squares.
7. Set the machine in sewing mode.
8. Make custom piping as described above.
9. Align the seam allowance of the newly created piping cord along the raw edge of one of the embroidered red squares. Stitch piping around the outer edge slightly rounding the corners and overlapping the ends.
10. Place a solid red square with right sides facing the embroidered piece and pin in place. Stitch the front and back together leaving a 6" opening along the lower edge.
11. Turn right side out and lightly press.
12. Insert pillow form and whipstitch opening closed.
13. Repeat for the remaining red pillow.

Stripe Accent Pillows:

1. Cut four 14" squares from the stripe outdoor fabric.
2. Set the machine in sewing mode.
3. Make custom piping as described above.
4. Align the seam allowance of the newly created piping cord along the raw edge of one of the striped squares. Stitch piping around the outer edge slightly rounding the corners and overlapping the ends.
5. Place a second square with right sides facing and pin in place. Stitch the front and back together leaving a 6" opening along the lower edge.
6. Turn right side out and lightly press.
7. Insert pillow form and whipstitch opening closed.
8. Repeat for the remaining stripe pillow.

Small Initial Pillow:

1. Cut two 11" squares from the yellow outdoor canvas.
2. Set up the machine for embroidery mode.
3. Hoop a piece of cut away stabilizer and one square centering it in the hoop.
4. Embroider the letter. Once the embroidery is complete, clip jump threads and remove it from the machine and hoop.
5. Set the machine in sewing mode.
6. Place the other yellow square with right sides facing to the embroidered piece and pin in place. Stitch the front and back together leaving a 4" opening along the lower edge.
7. Turn right side out and lightly press.
8. Insert fiberfill until firm. Whipstitch the opening closed.

Table Runner:

1. Cut two strips 7" x length of table + 8" from the stripe fabric.
2. Place the strips right side together and using a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance stitch around all edges leaving a small 3 - 4" opening along one of the long sides.
3. Turn and lightly Press.
4. Whipstitch the opening closed.

Instructions available for "Perfect Patio" Part 1 - Grill Cover.



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