



CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS1

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These Christmas Stockings are ideal for using up left-over bits of fleece fabric. They look great in a variety of colours. Embroider out a back and front (both sides in the pattern) and stitch together with your sewing-machine. I used Metallic/Glitter Machine embroidery thread for fun - soooo Christmassy!

HOOP SIZE: 5inches x 7inches / 130mm x 180mm

(I stitched out the back and front together in a 200mm x 300mm hoop - shown in photos)

Method

1. Hoop 1 layer of Cut-away Stabilizer.

Materials:

Polycotton for lining

Fleece for the Stocking. Use a variety of colours - own choice

Marathon Threads as per colour-chart or own choice

Glitter thread if you wish - I used gold for some of the embroidery

Pins for holding Fabric in place

Magic Tape to hold the bits of fleece (heels and toes) in place

Hoop 1 layer of Cut-Away Stabilizer

Use left-over pieces of Water-Soluble Stabilizer to



go on top of Fleece before
embroidering designs

Sharp-pointed Embroidery
Scissors

Ribbon or Rick-rack for loop
if wished

5 x 7 inch hoop/130 x
180mm hoop

2. Using white thread stitch out the outline of the shape of the first part of the Christmas Stocking onto the stabilizer.



3. Cut fleece a little larger than the design stitched on the stabilizer. Pin in place as shown. Make sure the pins are away from the stitching area.



4. Stitch the outline of the stocking piece onto the fleece.



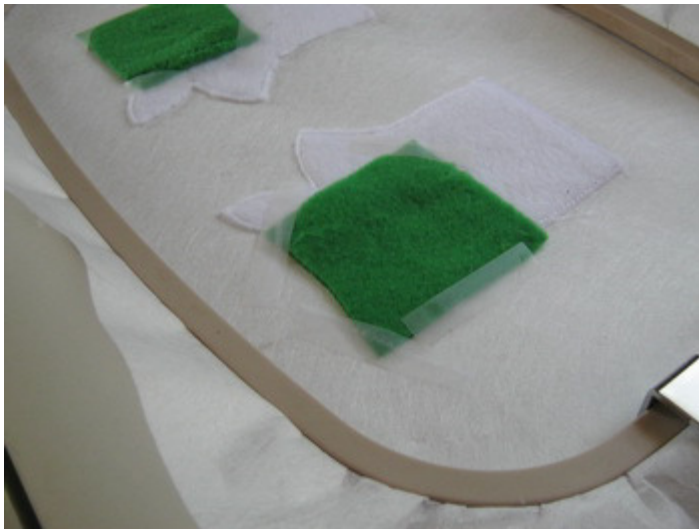
5. Using a pair of sharp-pointed embroidery-scissors carefully cut away the fleece around the stitched outline.



6. Now stitch the outline of the heel of the boot. I used a pair of machine tweezers to indicate this.



7. Now take a piece of fleece a little larger than the heel and cover the outline of the heel. Hold in place with Magic Tape.



8. Stitch in place and trim.



9. Now stitch the outline of the toe. Take a piece of fleece a little larger than the toe and hold in place with Magic Tape.



10. Stitch in place and trim.



11. Now stitch the outline of the cuff of the boot.



12. Take a piece of fleece a little larger than the cuff. Hold in place with Magic Tape and stitch. Trim.



13. Take a piece of Water-Soluble Stabilizer big enough to cover the entire little stocking. Hold in place with pins and MagicTape if needed.

Please Note: The WSS prevents embroidery stitches from sinking into the fleece. I save my wss left-over pieces specifically for this as it's a cost-saving.

Now do the embroidery on the stocking. Please change colours using the colour chart. Also, feel free to use whatever colours you may prefer.



14. Now stitch the "inner fleece" edgings - as shown.



15. Turn the hoop over.



16. Take a piece of lining fabric and cover the stocking. Pin in place away from the stitching area.



17. Trim the lining as shown



18. Trim the right side as well - as shown



19. Using white, stitch the edging stitch right round the outside of the stocking.

20. Now stitch the decorative stitch. I used Metallic Gold embroidery thread.



21. Using your sewing machine stitch front and back together - stitch in a hanging loop if you wish. Rinse the Water-soluble Stabilizer and allow to dry. Fill with sweets or a gift. Lovely:)

Have fun, Claudia and Phil

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