

# Appliqué Tutorial Machine Embroidery Designs

Are you afraid to try appliqués? I know I was TERRIFIED to try it. I thought there was no way that I could do that. I had no problem with the solid embroidery designs but appliqué way to scary!! Don't be afraid.... It really is easy and a lot of fun!! Your options are endless because you can use any fabric that you choose!!

Here is a step by step guide on how to do appliqués. This system works with the way I create designs.

## 1. Load the design on your Machine

The first step is loading the appliqué onto your machine. Please begin with a simple design and work up from there.



## 2. Hoop the finished material

Next you need to hoop the garment your design will be on. Make sure you stabilize as you would any kind of embroidery. Place hoop on machine.



### 3 The Appliqué's Outline

The outline stitch is the first stitch. You can use any color thread, it will be covered up with the next step. I usually use the same color that I'm going to have the satin stitch be.

This works especially well if you are using white fabric and white satin stitches.



### 4 Applying Heat N Bond Lite

Next cut a piece of Heat N Bond Lite to the size of the fabric that you are going to use for your appliqué. Place Shiny side of Heat N Bond Lite right side up. Place appliqué fabric wrong side down on top of heat n bond.



Using an iron on low setting iron the appliqué fabric to the Heat N Bond. Make sure that you don't iron over any Heat N Bond, it will make your iron sticky. Turn fabric over and pull off the paper backing from the Heat N Bond. Through away paper.



## 5 Applique Fabric

Place your appliqué fabric with Heat N Bond over the outline stitches. You need to hold the fabric in place. **DO NOT** try to unhoop the design to add the appliqué fabric. Just lay it on top.



## 6 Tack Down Fabric Stitch

This will run another outline stitch over the first. This holds the fabric in place.



## 7 Cut Away The Material

Next you want to take the hoop off the machine, but **DO NOT UNHOOP** the fabric. Carefully cut next to the stitching to cut away the extra material. Cut close enough but try not to cut the outline stitches.



## 8. Setting Heat N Bond

Next use your iron and iron over the cut out appliqué



## 9 Final Satin Stitch

Place your hoop back on the machine and start your machine again. This creates the satin stitch around your design.



## 10. Press again

Press your design with your iron one more time to make sure all the Heat N Bond has been activated.



More detailed designs are done with these same directions just done more than once.



Now wasn't that easy!! Remember start off slow and go from there! Try this design for free and see if you like it.