A Day at the Beach

Turn heads this summer at the beach or pool by personalizing all your pool accessories. It is easy to do! With your Baby Lock Embroidery Machine and purchased blanks you will quickly be sunning in style.

**Skill Level: Beginner**

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**Supplies:**
- Baby Lock® Ellure Plus
- 5”X7” embroidery hoop
- 3-4 Spools Madeira® embroidery thread
- Finishing Touch Bobbin Thread
- Microtex Sharp Needle
- EmbroideryWorks™ Advanced software
Purchased blanks [www.allaboutblanks.com](http://www.allaboutblanks.com)
Swim Suit Cover-up
Ribbon Sun Visor Hat
Jute Can Wrap
Baby Lock Tear Away Firm Stabilizer (BLT103)
Baby Lock No-Show Mesh Beige (BLC303)
Self-adhesive spray like Mettler Web Bond or 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive
Pins

**Instructions:**

**Monogram Design**

1. To embroider your purchased blanks, you first need to determine the monogram style you want for your blank.
2. Open EmbroideryWorks™ Everyday software.
3. Select Edit, Preferences to select the 5" x 7" (130mm x 180mm) hoop size. Touch OK.
4. For the cover up, we will be working with a stretchy Lycra fabric. With EmbroideryWorks™ Advanced, the ability to use the Project Advisor is available. If you are using this version of the software select Utility, Project Advisor. From the list of Fabrics, select Lycra and Set Project. The Stitch Perfect system stores information such as fabric, density, stretch and the perfect stabilizer for the job. This help to minimize the pucker that occurs when some designs are used on lighter fabrics.

![Project Advisor](image)

5. To create the monogram, select the Create Letters Icon
6. Type in three initials, select the font of your choice and touch set.

![Create Letters Icon](image)

7. To adjust the monogram, double click on the green edit nodes on each letter. Resize the middle initial to be larger and adjust the side letters smaller. For this sample top, the design width is approximately 4.5” X 3”.

![Adjust Monogram](image)
8. Rotate the design 90° in the hoop using the rotate icon.
9. Change the color properties to alternate the monogram colors.
10. Center the design in the hoop.
11. Save the design as a .pes file to a USB Drive.

Hooping the Project:
Each of these blanks lends itself to a different hooping technique and stabilizer.

Pool Cover-up:

1. Determine the center point on the top portion of the cover-up.
2. Using the 5” X 7” hoop, and a piece of Tear Away stabilizer. In the sample, the top will be floating on the hoop. Spray the stabilizer with the temporary spray adhesive.
3. Cut a 6” X 6” piece of the No Show Mesh stabilizer.
4. Layer the No Show Mesh stabilizer and then the cover-up top.
5. Pin all the layers together smoothing out the Lycra fabric. Do not stretch the top, but use pins to keep it from buckling while floating. (Do not place the pins in the embroidery area)
6. Select two coordinating spools of embroidery thread.
7. Thread the machine using a microtex sharp needle and appropriate bobbin thread.
8. Attach the hoop to the machine making sure that the excess cover-up fabric will not be stitched during embroidery
9. In embroidery, select the rectangle frame shape with stitch #10 selected. This will provide a basting stitch for your design.

10. Stitch the baste design

11. Import the monogram design.

12. Position your design over the center mark of your cover up top.

13. Embroider the design.

14. When completed, gently remove the Tear Away stabilizer. Then trim the No Show Mesh stabilizer close to the stitched area to remove the excess.

Ribbon Sun Visor Hat:

1. Determine the center front point on the top portion of the hat.

2. Hoop you 5” x 7” with a piece of Tear Away stabilizer. We will be floating the hat in the hoop. Apply spray adhesive to the Tear Away Stabilizer.

3. Pin the hat flat to the stabilizer to keep it from buckling while floating. (Do not pin in the embroidery area.)

4. Select two coordinating spools of embroidery thread.

5. Thread machine using a microtex sharp needle and appropriate bobbin thread.

6. Attach the hoop to the machine making sure that the excess hat will not be stitched during embroidery.

7. Import the monogram design.

8. Position your design over the center mark of the hat front.

9. Embroider the design.

10. You may want to apply a wash away topping or a permanent topping to the hat to help smooth the stitching. This hat has a braided pattern that you will be stitching over.

11. When completed, gently remove the Tear Away stabilizer. Then trim and remove the topping if you chose that option.
Jute Can Wrap:

1. Determine the center front point on the top portion of the can wrap.
2. Hoop the 5” x 7” with a piece of Tear Away stabilizer. We will be floating the can wrap in the hoop. Apply spray adhesive to the Tear Away Stabilizer.
3. Pin the wrap flat to the stabilizer to keep it from buckling while floating. (Do not pin in the embroidery area.)
4. Select two coordinating spools of embroidery thread.
5. Thread machine using a microtex sharp needle and appropriate bobbin thread.
6. Attach the hoop to the machine making sure that the excess can wrap will not be stitched during embroidery.
7. Import the monogram design.
8. Position the design over the center mark of your can wrap.
9. Embroider the design.
10. When completed, gently remove the Tear Away stabilizer.

You are now ready to head to the beach or pool in style for some summer fun!

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