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Open-Back Embroidered Shirt



For a unique and personalized garment that is on-trend, create this open-back top! The Baby Lock Solaris' IQ Designer's ability to create intricate decorative fills gives this project its unique finish. Because of the details, we recommend that you have prior experience with garment sewing before attempting this project.

Skill Level: Advanced

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Supplies:

Baby Lock® Solaris Sewing and Embroidery Machine

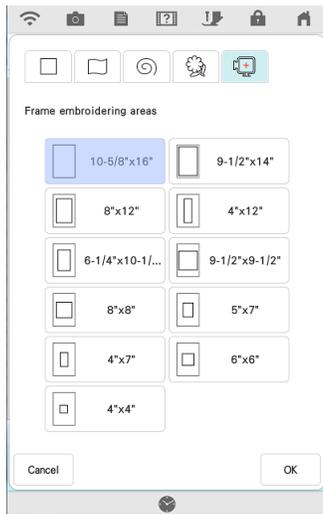
Simplicity Shirt Pattern #8416 or similar style
Linen fabric and supplies as listed on the pattern guide sheet (required yardage should be based on size as listed on pattern)
Madeira® embroidery thread
Baby Lock No-Show Mesh Fusible Stabilizer (BLC304)
Baby Lock No-Show Mesh Stabilizer (BLC301-20)
Temporary spray adhesive
Basic sewing and embroidery supplies

Instructions:

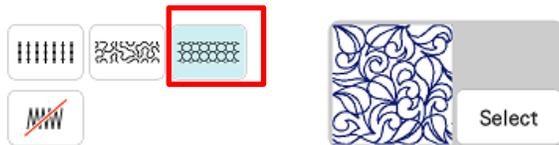
- 1) Follow the guide sheet from the pattern for cutting out each of the pattern pieces for View D of the shirt. Fuse the No-Show Mesh Fusible Stabilizer to the backside on the fabric from the yoke pattern piece #3. **Tip:** When fusing the section to the stabilizer, use a pressing sheet so that you do not gum up your iron or ironing board.
- 2) Hoop the Baby Lock No-Show Mesh Stabilizer in the 10 5/8" x 16" hoop. Use the temporary spray adhesive; lightly spray the topside of the stabilizer. Place the stabilized section of the yoke on the center of the hooped stabilizer. Finger press to secure.
- 3) Set up the machine for embroidery:
 - a) Wind two bobbins using the Finishing Touch Thread that comes packaged with the machine. This bobbin thread is the perfect thread for the job. The machine is calibrated for this thread thickness and should always be used to achieve the best results.
 - b) Place the hoop onto the embroidery unit.
- 4) To create the design, follow the next set of steps:
 - a) Click on the IQ Designer option on the opening screen.



- b) Click on the Frames icon  as shown on the center right on the screen.
- c) Select the Hoop icon for the 10 5/8" x 16" hoop (*as shown in the following illustration*) and click OK. This will create the largest area in which the design will fit.



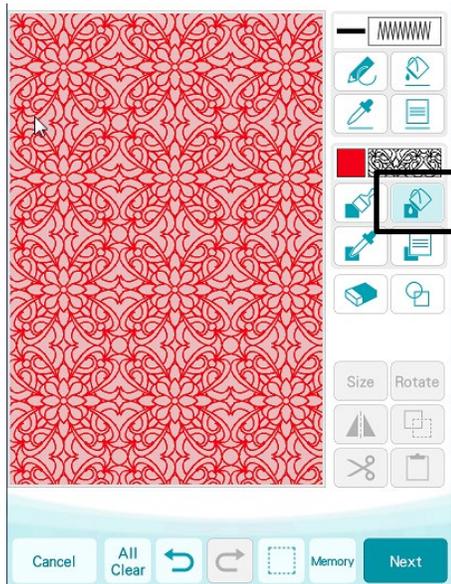
- d) Click on the next icon as shown here  .
 e) Click on the icon below in the red



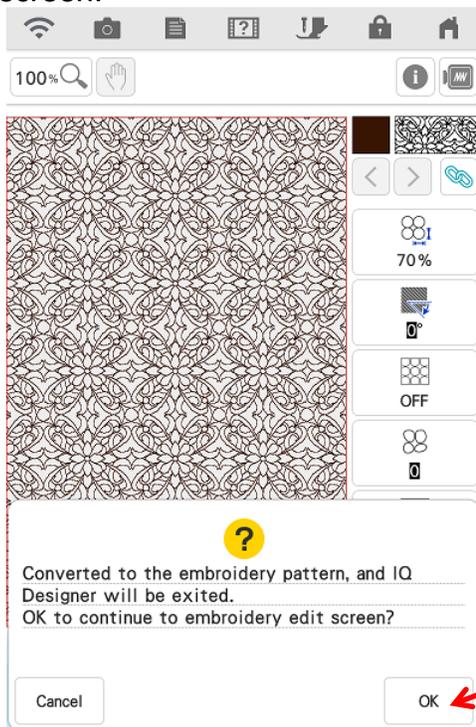
- f) When the next icon to the right of the red box opens click on Select. This is the complete list of open fill design that can be chosen. Select one from this field. The design that was used for this project was design #011.



- g) Click on OK to accept the design.
 h) In the next field, change the color of the design as desired.
 i) Click OK once more to get back to the home page screen.
 j) Click on the icon inside the black box as shown below. This icon will fill the hoop area with the design. Click on the open area of the workspace to fill the area with the design.
 k) Click on Next.



- l) In the next field, you can make any adjustments to the design such as the size, the direction of the pattern, placing an outline around the design, shift the pattern in the hoop or offset the patterns. Click on each of the options and make adjustments to the pattern as desired. The only thing that I did not do in the sample design was place an outline around the pattern. It was not needed for this project. But try the other options and have fun with them. They can change any design to one that is truly yours.
- m) After any changes have been made, click on Set to advance to the next screen.



- n) Click on OK. You are now on the main screen of Embroidery Edit.
 - o) Since no more changes are needed click on Embroidery at the bottom of the page.
- 5) Press the Start button to embroider the design using the designated thread color. In the sample, Madeira embroidery thread was used.

- 6) The design will take approximately 69 minutes to embroider. Remove the embroidered area from the hoop. You may need to cut out the yoke section while maintaining the original shape for the area.
- 7) Proceed with the pattern guide for constructing the shirt. Continue with the guide sheet until you get to the cuff insertion Step 30.
- 8) In the sample, the cuff sections (Pattern 7) were embroidered using the same pattern design as on the back of the yoke. Embroider them at this time following the same steps as above. Since the cuffs are smaller than the yoke section, you might choose to create a smaller design. It will take less time to embroider but you will have two cuff sections.
- 9) Continue with the Step 30 through to the end of the pattern guide sheet.
- 10) Apply the buttonholes using the new buttonhole foot that comes with your Solaris. Test-sew the buttonholes on a sample piece of fabric with the same thickness as the final garment. This will assure that you have the same consistency throughout.

Optional: Apply decorative stitches along the two back opening sections using the new camera functions (*as shown in the following illustration*).



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