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Embroidered Children's Play Tent and Flag



Give you children or grandchildren a special place of their own with this personalized tent! You can purchase one and embroider to customize or find a pattern and make your own. And don't forget to create a flag to match so everyone will know who owns this special playhouse!

Skill Level: Intermediate

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Supplies:

Baby Lock® Solaris Sewing and Embroidery Machine



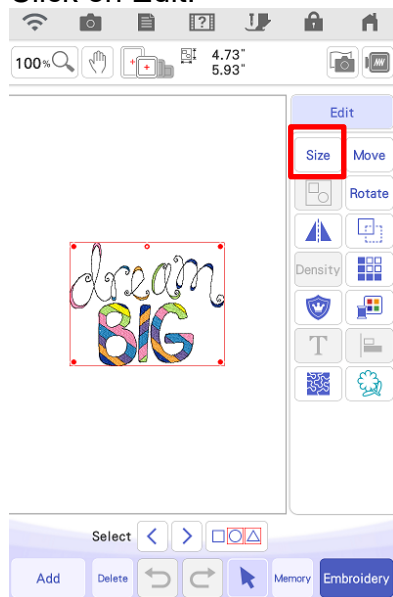
Purchased play tent
 Purchased blank garden flag
 Madeira® embroidery thread
 Baby Lock Tear-Away Soft (BLT104)
 Temporary Spray Adhesive
 Small yellow rick rack
 Large green rick rack
 Basic sewing supplies

Instructions:

There are several areas on the tent that will work well for placing an embroidery design, such as over the flap, along the bottom edges on the tent, and around any window flaps. The choice is yours. In the sample, several embroidery placement options will be discussed.

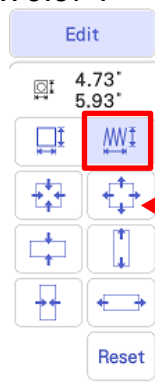
Design over Tent Front Flap:

- 1) Set up the machine for embroidery.
- 2) Click on Embroidery and follow the next set of directions:
 - a) Select Exclusives.
 - b) Scroll over and select Sewlebrities.
 - c) Scroll down through the designs and select design #017 Dream Big. Click on Set.
 - d) Click on Edit.



- e) Click on Size as shown above in the red box.

- f) Select the second sizing option on the right (*as shown in the red box below*). This sizing option will allow you to resize the design while maintaining the stitch density.
- g) Select the icon with the four arrows pointing outward and resize the design so that it fits in the 9 ½" x 9 ½" hoop. In the sample, the design was 7.47" x 9.37".



- h) Click on Embroidery in the lower right corner.
- i) Click on Layout. Before we embroider the design, place a basting stitch around the design. This will help to hold the tent in place during



embroidery. Select the Basting icon (found under the Layout field) to automatically place the stitch around the design. This will be the first color on the design.

- 3) Using the Baby Lock Tear-Away stabilizer, the 9 ½" x 9 ½" hoop and the area above the opening on the tent; if you can, hoop the three items in the hoop. If the hoop is too large for the area, you can float the tent over the hooped stabilizer. Use the temporary spray adhesive to lightly spray inside the hoop onto the stabilizer.



- 4) Embroider the design onto the tent using the colors listed on the design.
- 5) Remove the stabilizer from the backside of the tent.
- 6) Press well.

Design on Front Flaps:

- 1) Click on the Home button on the machine and follow the next set of steps:
 - a) Click on Exclusives.
 - b) Select the Sewlebrities category.
 - c) Select design #18, the shooting star and set.
 - d) Click on Edit. Click on Size. Select the size button on the right of the screen to maintain stitch density. Resize the design so that it measures approximately 3.4" x 9.10 by using the icon with the four arrows pointing outward.
 - e) Click on the rotate tool and rotate to the right 90°.
 - f) Click on Embroidery in the bottom right corner.
 - g) Hoop the tent area on the left front flap (*as shown in the following illustration*). Or you can float the tent over the stabilizer as needed.



- h) Embroidery the design using the thread colors as stated in the design.
- i) Click on Return to get back to the Edit screen.
- j) Click on the Mirror image icon (*as shown below in the illustration*) to flip the design for the opposite side of the tent.



- k) Hoop the stabilizer and tent on the right side of the tent flap.
- l) Embroider the design using the same thread colors as used for the first shooting star design.
- m) Remove the stabilizer from the backside of the tent and press well.

Designs on the Bottom Edge of the Tent and Window Flap:

- 1) Click on the home button.
- 2) Use Sewlebrities designs #019, 020, and 021, 023, 024 around the bottom edge of the tent. Use the sizing and editing skill that were used in the above instructions. Place the designs evenly spaced three to four inches above the bottom edge. Place the butterfly designs above the flowers and tree designs. Use the camera for placement of the designs.



- 3) Measure the window flap and jot down that measurement.



- 4) Retrieve design #16 from the Exclusive Sewlebrities field and Set the design. Follow the next set of Editing steps:
 - a) Select Edit.
 - b) Click on Rotate and rotate the design 90° to the right.
 - c) Click on Edit.
 - d) Click on Size.
 - e) Click on the left side sizing option. Refer to Page 65 in the manual for size limitation options.
 - f) Resize the design by using the arrows to fit the window. The design should fit inside the window flap. Since the window may vary in size you will need to adjust according to the size window that was measured earlier.
 - g) Hoop the stabilizer in the hoop.
 - h) Spray with the temporary spray adhesive.
 - i) Place the window flap over the adhesive sprayed hoop and finger press to secure.
 - j) Click on Embroidery.
 - k) It is always a good idea to do a test sew for pattern accuracy.
 - l) Embroider the design onto the tent window flap.

m) Remove the stabilizer from the backside of the tent.

Garden Flag:

- 1) Retrieve design #022 and set.
- 2) Resize the design as needed to fit on the purchased garden flag.




- 3) To personalize the flag, follow the next set of steps:
 - a) Click on Add.
 - b) Click on lettering #3.
 - c) Select font #11.
 - d) Using upper case lettering, type in the first initial of the chosen name. (L)
 - e) Select the lower case font icon and type in the remaining letters of the name (*as shown below*). Select the apostrophe from the punctuation icon (*as shown with the green arrow below*). Then add the lowercase letter "s"
 - f) Click on the space icon to place a space between the two words.
 - g) Then go back to the upper case icon for the first letter in Playhouse. End with the lower case font for the rest of the word. Since we are using the large font, you will get a message when entering the last letter that you will need to rotate the lettering. Let the machine rotate the lettering.
 - h) Click on Set.



- 4) To edit the lettering follow the next set of steps:
 - a) Click on Edit.
 - b) Resize the lettering so that it will fit above the world design as we did in the tent designs.
 - c) Click and drag the lettering above the design (*as shown below*).

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- d) Under Edit, click on the Font icon.
- e) Select Array .
- f) Select the arc icon (*as shown in the illustration below inside the red box*).
- g) To adjust the arc of the lettering design, click on the icon inside the green box until you have the right arc (*as shown in the illustration below*).
- h) Click on the Arrows on the bottom right side to adjust the placement of the lettering. You can also drag the font with your finger to adjust.
- i) Click on OK when you are happy with the placement.
- j) Then click on Set.
- k) Click on Embroidery.



- l) Hoop the stabilizer and flag in the hoop. Be sure that the flag is centered in the hoop.
- m) Embroider the design.
- 5) Finish the flag by adding large and small rick rack to top and bottom on the flag (as shown below in the illustration).



- a) Set up the machine for sewing.
- b) Attach the "J" foot.
- c) Thread the machine with thread that coordinates with the rick rack.
- d) Select a straight stitch and sew along the edges on the rick rack.

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