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# Manual Digitizing Tools

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Digitizing is the conversion of a graphic or drawn image into a data format that embroidery machines understand. Data is entered into the computer; then the data is defined to represent stitch types, stitch directions, stitching sequence, density settings, and other types of information for the design.

- The digitizing tools are used to set stitches for all the outlines and shapes in a design.
- In manual digitizing, every object must be defined by one of the tools.

You can create designs in DesignerPlus software using the manual digitizing tools while using artwork as a backdrop. Outlines of objects are created using right and left clicks around the objects. You have the choice to fill these areas with filled stitches or leave them as outlines around the objects.

## Manual Digitizing Tools

There are seven basic types of manual digitizing tools in DesignerPlus 7. These are accessed in the Digitize Toolbox.

- **Open Object Tool:** used for drawing outlines that don't enclose a shape, but are left open. The outline of the object is drawn with right + left clicks.
- Closed Object Tool: used for drawing filled or outlined objects that enclose a shape. The closed shape is drawn with right + left clicks.
- **Open Freehand Tool:** the open outlined shape is drawn by clicking and dragging on the screen vs. using right/left clicks.
- **Closed Freehand Tool:** used for drawing filled or outlined objects that enclose a shape by clicking and dragging on the screen vs. using right/left clicks.
- **Block Digitizing Tool:** used for drawing filled or outlined objects that set multiple angles within the object as it is digitized, using right/left clicks that alternate sides.
- **Ellipse:** used for drawing circles or ovals. You may also digitize a circle using the Open Object Tool and set three right clicks; then press Enter to set the shape.
- **Rectangle:** used for drawing rectangles or squares. Holding the Ctrl key with the Rectangle tool creates a square.

With manual digitizing, you want to start with objects in the background and work toward objects in the foreground. It helps to develop a plan—it will save you time in the long run.

Continued practice and experience will help you learn the basics of manual digitizing.

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# Manual Digitizing

## Fill Stitches:

There are fifteen types of fill stitches in DesignerPlus 7. These are accessed by shortcut icons at the bottom of the design screen or through Object Properties, Fill Tab. When you manually digitize designs, you choose the type and properties of the fill or outline, the color of the object, and the angle of the stitch for fill stitches. These decisions can be made prior to digitizing an object or they can be changed after the object is digitized.

# Types of Fill Stitches:

♦ Step Fill



- ♦ Satin Fill
- ◊ Raised Satin Fill
- ◊ Fancy Fill
- ◊ Ripple Fill
- Contour Fill (only with Block Digitizing tool or Circle tool)
- ◊ Blackwork Fill
- ♦ Candlewicking Fill
- ◊ Lacework Fill
- ◊ Cross Stitch Fill
- ♦ Stipple Run
- ◊ Stipple Stemstitch
- ♦ Stipple Backstitch

# **Outline Stitches:**

There are ten types of outline stitches in DesignerPlus 7. These are accessed by shortcut icons at the bottom of the design screen or through Object Properties, Outline Tab.

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# Types of Fill Stitches:

- ♦ Single Outline
- ◊ Triple Outline
- ♦ Backstitch Outline
- ◊ Stemstitch Outline
- ◊ Satin Outline
- ◊ Raised Satin Outline
- ♦ Blanket Outline
- ◊ Blackwork Outline
- ◊ Candlewicking Outline
- ◊ Pattern Run Outline

# Manual Digitizing

Default

color

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# **Open a New File/Blank File**

Click on the New icon or select File> New.

# Loading the Artwork

- Select Insert Artwork. ٠
- Navigate to the Artwork Folder (C:> My Designs> Artwork).
- Select the floral pattern4.bmp.
- Click on Open.
- Select File> Save As and name the file, Manual Digitizing.

# Preselecting Thread Colors

- Click on the Thread Colors icon.
- The first default color in the top section of the dialog box should be selected.
- Choose Isacord 40 numerical from the drop down box of the *Thread* Chart.
- Click in the Search box.
- Enter the first thread color number from the chart on the right.
- Press Enter.
- Enter the second thread color, press Enter.
- Continue to complete entering the thread colors.
- When finished with all of the colors, click OK.

# Changing the Size of the Design

- Right click on the Show Hoop icon.
  - Make sure that Show Hoop is checked.  $\Diamond$
  - $\Diamond$ Select artista 400 x 150 MEGA– Auto Split Machine.  $\Diamond$ Click OK.
- Click on the *Hoop Canvas* icon. Select the hoop.
- Click on Rotate Right twice to rotate the hoop 90°.
- Return to Embroidery Canvas by clicking on the icon.
- Select the artwork.
- Hold the Shift key and click and drag a corner resizing handle until the flag shows about 242 mm for the Width measurement (about 9.5").

# Digitizing with the Closed Object Tool

- Click on the *Zoom* icon and drag a box around the top leaf.
- Select the Closed Object Tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- The *Current Color* is 5411, the first assigned color.
- The default fill stitch is Step Fill.
- Using a series of right and left clicks, trace around the leaf shape.
- When you are close to the beginning click, press *Enter* to enclose the shape.

See digitizing tips on the next page.

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In Options, Scrolling Tab, make sure that a check mark is placed by Auto Scroll.

**New Color** 

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0608 • Changing density 0020 Calligraphy Outline Design

Analyze the design before you start digitizing. You must digitize the objects in the background first, the objects in the foreground last, then any details that overlay the objects in the foreground.

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Lesson covers:

Morphing

fills

Rotating a hoop

Color Blending

Manual Digitizing tools

Applying + editing craft

Changing Thread Colors

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Digitizing Tips:

- It takes three clicks before the direction of the line takes shape.
- A left click followed by a left click makes a straight line segment.
- A left click followed by a right click begins to make a curve.
- A right click followed by a left begins to make a curve.
- A right click followed by a right click begins to make a curve.
- Left clicks are used to change directions and turn corners.
- Use as few clicks as possible while still defining the shape.
- When you get close to finishing the shape, let the software enclose the shape when using the *Closed Object Tool* by pressing *Enter* on the keyboard.

## If you make a mistake:

- ♦ Use the *Backspace key* to erase one click at a time. Continue to use the *Backspace* as many times as you need.
- ♦ If you wish to start over, press the *Esc* key.
- You can always digitize the shape; then use *Reshape* to change the digitized points (see information below).

# **Changing Stitch Angles**

- Press *Esc* to deselect the digitizing tool.
- The default stitch angle for step fills is 45°.
- Select the object; then select Reshape Object.
- Rest your cursor on the peach-colored square at the end of the line segment.
- Click and drag the square so that it extends through the tip of the leaf. This changes the stitch angle.

# **Editing Reference Points**

- If you wish to reshape the object, this is also done through *Reshape*. To reshape objects:
  - To change a reference point—select the digitized point; press the space bar. This changes a left to a right click and vice versa.
  - To add a reference point—click on the line surrounding the object, right or left click on the line.
  - To move a reference point—click and drag it to a new location.
  - ♦ To delete a reference point—select the point and press *Delete*.
- Press *Esc* when finished.

# Adding Dimension by Splitting Objects

- Another method of digitizing leaves is to split the leaf in the middle and then digitize the leaf in two parts.
- Use Pan to move to the other leaf.
- Select the Closed Object Tool.
- Digitize the top part of the lower leaf in the design using Color #1, creating an imaginary line across the center of the leaf.
- Press Enter to activate the stitches.
- Select Color # 2; then digitize the bottom part of the leaf. Make sure you slightly overlap the objects in the middle of the leaf so a gap does not occur when stitching.

Zooming in on the picture helps when you are digitizing. Use the Scroll bars to the right and below the design screen

to move to another part of the picture or use Pan to move the design.



You can always add imaginary lines to the image in your design to create dimension.



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- Press *Esc*; then select the top part of the leaf.
- Right click to display Object Properties.
- Select the Stitch Angle tab, then change the value to 160.
- Click Apply.
- Select the lower part of the leaf. Change the stitch angle to 105°.
- Click OK; then Esc.

## **Remove Overlap**

- Use Pan to locate the flower on the far right.
- Select Color # 4; then select the Closed Object Tool.
- Digitize around the petals of the far right flower by beginning at an intersecting point (see the red arrow in the illustration to the right).
- Begin with a left click, then digitize around the petals. Remember to use a left click to change direction at the intersection of each of the petals.
- Press Enter to activate the stitches for the petals.
- Select Esc.
- Select Color # 5, then select the *Ellipse e* tool.
- Click in the center of the flower petals and drag to the desired size of the circle and click again.
- Press Enter; then press Esc.
- Next, select the flower center. Move if desired.
- Select *Remove Overlaps* from the *Edit Toolbox*.
- The stitching under the yellow center is removed.

# Morphing

- Select the petals of the flower.
- Click on the *Morphing Effect* tab in the *Docker Panels*. If the tab is not visible, click on the *Morphing Effect* icon in the *General Toolbar*.
- Click on the *Ripple Morphing Effect*.
- Drag the *Ripple Amplitude* (vertical bar) to 55.
- Drag the *Ripple Frequency* (horizontal bar) to 75.
- Click on the Twirl Morphing Effect.
- Select Esc.

# **Digitizing Candlewicking**

- Pan to another flower.
- Select Color # 4.
- Select the Closed Object Tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Digitize around only one petal of the second flower, beginning at the base of the flower center.
- Press *Enter* to activate the stitches; then *Esc*.
- Select the petal; then right click on the Candlewicking Fill icon to open the Object Properties dialog box.



# Notes:

You can change the angle of an object mathematically as well as visually.











cut the hole.



- Click on the Select button. •
- There are different types of Candlewicking fills. •
- Select the 3 mm knot.
- Click OK: then Esc.

#### Blackwork Fill

- Right click on the *Blackwork Fill* icon to open *Object Properties*.
- Click on the Select button.
- Click on Show True View to see how the stitches will actually look.
- Use the scroll arrows to select *Blackwork Fill # B0017a*.
- Click OK.
- Select the Closed Object Tool.
- Digitize around another petal and press Enter.
- Click on Show Bitmap Artwork to hide the picture.
- Press Esc.
- Select the Blackwork petal and click on Object Properties.

### Editing Craft Fills

- Click on the *Layout* button in *Object Properties*.
- Notice there are three blue repeats of the design surrounded by several yellow repeats.
- Each blue repeat has a different function for making alterations in the craft fills.
  - $\diamond$ With the middle repeat, you can resize the fill by clicking and dragging on one of the black boxes. Clicking on a corner box will resize the fill proportionally. The center squares will resize disproportionately.
  - Click in the middle of this repeat.  $\Diamond$
  - The black squares change to outlined squares and you can  $\Diamond$ now rotate the craft fill by clicking and dragging the outlined squares.
  - If you click and drag on a diamond outlined shape in the mid- $\Diamond$ dle, this will skew the fill.
  - The top repeat will stagger the repeats—click and move this  $\diamond$ repeat to see the effect on the columns.
  - The repeat on the right will bring the rows closer together or  $\Diamond$ further apart as you move this blue repeat.
  - Change these as you wish and press *Enter* to activate.  $\diamond$

### Lacework Fills

- Bring the picture back by clicking on the *Show Bitmap Artwork* icon.
- Color #4 should still be selected. Select the Closed Object Tool.
- Digitize another petal. Press Esc.
- Select the petal. If you closed *Object Properties*; reopen.
- From the Fill Type in Object Properties, select Lacework.
- Click on Select and select Pattern #L0003a. •
- Select *Layout* and edit the fill and rearrange as you wish.
- When completed, press Enter.

Notes:

You may also pre-select the type of fill before digitizing.



Any of the craft fills can be edited visually in this way.

You can also change the craft stitches mathematically by altering the numbers in Object Properties. These values are updated when you change the properties visually.

Fills may be selected through the Object Properties dialog box or you may click on the corresponding icon to activate the default fill of that fill type. If you right click on the fill icon, Object Properties will open to that particular type of fill.

Notes:

# Pattern Fill

- Digitize another petal using the Closed Object Tool.
- Press Enter to complete the shape; then press Esc.
- Select the petal.
- In Object Properties, select Pattern from the drop down box or right click on the Pattern icon.
- Click on the *Select* button.
- Select the *Cross* folder from the drop down menu.
- Select # 302. Click OK.
- Change the Size of the X and Y to .15".
- Change the Column and Row Spacing to .15".
- Click OK. Select Esc.



# Ripple Fill

- Select the Ripple Fill icon.
- Digitize another petal after selecting the Closed Object Tool.
- Press Esc.

# **Cross Stitch Fill**

- Right click on the Cross Stitch Fill icon.
- Under Stitch Style, select Upright Cross.
- Click on OK.
- Select the Closed Object Tool.
- Digitize another petal. Press Esc.

### Contour Fill

- Select the *Ellipse Tool*. Click on *Contour Fill*.
- Digitize the flower center using the *Ellipse tool*, clicking in the center of the flower and dragging to the edge of the center. Click again and press *Enter*.

# Fancy Fills

- Use Pan to move to the last flower.
- Right click on the Fancy Fill icon to open Object Properties.
- From the drop down *Pattern* choices, select 034 Sunny.
- Click Apply.
- Select the *Closed Object Tool.* Digitize around the remaining flower, using Color #4. Place the digitized points as you did for the first flower petal.
- Select Esc. Select the flower.

# **Fussy Cutting Fancy Fills**

- You must be in *Artistic View* to see the *Fancy Fill*. If necessary, select the *T* on your keyboard or click on *Show Artistic View*.
- Click on Layout in Object Properties.
- Move the blue sun to the flower center by clicking and dragging the middle blue sun.
- Press Enter. The sun becomes the flower center. Deselect.
- Close Object Properties.







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### Block Digitizing

- Pan to one of the spirals.
- Select Color # 2 from the Color Palette. Select the Step Fill.
- Select the Block Tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Begin block digitizing with two left clicks at the intersection of the spiral with the main stem. (see illustration)
- Follow the spiral with right clicks; end with two left clicks.
- You must alternate from one side to the other as you work your way around the spiral.
  - Remember you can use the back space key to go back one stitch, or more if you need to!
  - ♦ *Esc* will take you out of the function.
- When you finish the block digitizing, press Enter.
- Repeat for the other spiral that intersects with the stem.

### **Color Blending**

- Select the Closed Object Tool.
- Digitize the main part of the "stem", using right and left clicks, clicking around the shape of the stem.
- Press Enter to activate the step fill.
- Press Esc.
- Select the stem.
- Click on the Color Blending tool in the Edit Toolbox.
- In the dialog box that opens, select Isacord 4421 for the bottom layer and Isacord 5415 for the top layer.
- Leave the Spacing at 2 mm for each layer.
- Select Profile 2 for the blend. The profiles determine the point from which the color variation occurs.
- Click OK.

# Changing Density

- Deselect the main spiral; then select each of the block digitized spirals while holding the *Ctrl* key.
- Right click to open Object Properties.
- Change the Stitch Spacing to 1.0. Click OK.

### **Digitizing Candlewicking Outlines**

- Select the Open Object tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Select the Candlewicking Outline.
- Select Color #1.
- Using left and right clicks, digitize the single line to the left of the design.
- Press Enter to activate.

### Digitizing Backstitch Outlines

- Select the Open Freehand tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Select the Backstitch Outline.
- Select Color #2.
- Click and drag following the line above the top leaf.
- Release the mouse to activate the stitches. Press Esc.

# Notes:





Color Blending adds shading and color effects to embroidery designs.

Objects that have been Color Blended cannot be sequenced because the colors in the blended object are grouped.

DesignerPlus Software 7 provides several Craft Stitches to design and create with. These stitches are designed to mimic hand-worked embroidery.



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# Calligraphy

- Select the Open Object tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Select the Satin Outline. Color #2 should still be selected.
- Using left and right clicks, digitize the line under the main stem.
- Press *Enter* to activate. Press *Esc*.
- Right click on the satin line.
- Change the Satin Width to .12 inches.
- Change the Calligraphy Angle to 35°. Click OK.

# **Digitizing Stemstitch Outlines**

- Select the Open Object tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Select the Stemstitch Outline. Color #2 should still be selected.
- Using left and right clicks, digitize the two remaining lines.
- Press Enter to activate each line.
- Press *Esc*.

# **Deleting the Graphic**

- Select the white background of the picture.
- Press the Delete key.

# **Outlining Objects**

- Select the morphed flower, its center, and the Fancy Fill flower while holding the *Ctrl* key.
- Select Outline Design in the Edit Toolbox.
- In the dialog box that opens, select:
  - ◊ Color 0020
  - ◊ Offset: 0
  - ◊ Outline Count: 1
  - ◊ Outline Holes: Uncheck
  - ◊ Outline Type: Triple
  - ◊ Click OK
  - Select each of the craft petals while holding the Ctrl key.
- Click on the Outline Design icon and select:
  - ♦ Color 2011
  - ♦ Offset: 0
  - Outline Count: 1
  - ◊ Outline Holes: Uncheck
  - ◊ Outline Type: Single
  - ◊ Click OK
- For the flower center of the craft stitches, repeat the steps, but select *Satin* for the Outline Type. Click *OK*.
- Select the satin outline, open *Object Properties* and change the width to .05". Click *OK*.
- While the outline is selected, select Copy and Paste.
- Move the copy to the Fancy Fill Flower.
- While it is still selected, click on the black color chip in the *Color Palette*.
- Select Design> Stitch Sequence. Click OK.
- Select Save.







Stitch Sequence will rearrange the color sequence of the design to make the embroidery more efficient. Color Blended objects will not be combined because they are grouped.

You may ungroup the color blended object; then select Color #2 stem in Color Film. Select Back One Color and click until the stem combines with the other Color #2 color box.

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# Adding Holes

# Open a New File/Blank File

- Click on the New icon or select File> New.
- Select Insert Embroidery.
- Navigate to C> My Designs> ART Design> FP117. Select Open.
- Make sure Proportional Scaling is locked.
- Change the % to 200%. Press Enter.
- Right click on Show Hoop.
  - Place a check mark in front of Show Hoop.
  - Select BERNINA Maxi Hoop 210 x 400 #26 from the drop down menu.
  - ◊ Click OK.

# Adding Rectangle

- Select the Rectangle tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Choose a contrast color from the Color Palette.
- Draw a box surrounding the design; click in the upper left; then drag to the lower right hand corner of the hoop; and click.
- Press *Esc*; then select the rectangle.
- Change the X and Y axis in the Transform Tool bar to zero.
- Press Enter. This will place the rectangle in the center of the hoop.
- Make sure that *Proportional Scaling* is in the *Unlock position*.
- Change the *Height and Width* to 7.5". Press *Enter*.

# **Decreasing Density**

- While the rectangle is selected, open Object Properties.
- Change the *Stitch Spacing* to 5.0 mm.
- By changing the *Stitch Spacing*, you can see the design underneath.
- Click OK.
- Click on the Auto Underlay icon to remove the underlay.

# Adding Holes

- In the *Zoom Toolbar*, select *To Selected* from the drop down choices.
- Click on the Add Holes icon in the Edit Toolbox.
- Digitize an outline around the design.
- Press *Enter* to close the cut-out.
- Press *Enter* again to activate the hole. Select *Esc*.

# **Convert to Stippling**

- Select the background.
- Click on the Stipple Run Fill icon.
- Right click while selected to open Object Properties.
- Change the Loop Spacing to .15".
- Change the Inset Step to 0. Press OK.
- Save the file as Add Holes-Stippling.
- Close the file.

# Notes:



### Lesson covers:

- Rectangle Tool
- Adjusting Density
- Adding Holes
- Adding Stippling
- Editing Stippling

Show Artistic View toggles between Artistic View & Design View.

Use left and right clicks to digitize around the shape to add a hole. You can use the Backspace key to erase one click at a time or you can press Esc to start over.

### Stitching the design:

- Stitch the design on fabric backed with batting using no stabilizer.
- Remove the hoop from the machine.
- Lightly spray the wrong side of the backing fabric with 505 Temporary Spray Adhesive.
- Place the backing fabric on the back side of the hoop, behind the stabilizer, smoothing it to the edges.
- Return the hoop to the machine, being careful that the backing is flat and no corners are turned down.
- Stipple the layers together.

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# Echo Quilting with Halo Outline

#### Open the File

- Select File/New or click on the New icon.
- Select Insert Embroidery.
- Navigate to C> My Designs Embroidery Software 7> Florals.
- Select FM 538. Select Open.
- Select File/Save As and navigate to destination folder and name the file Echo Quilting with Halo Outline. Save the file.

#### Show Hoop

- Right click on the Show Hoop icon.
- From the drop down menu, select BERNINA B830 Jumbo Hoop 256 x 400 # 26.
- Make sure Show Hoop is checked and click on OK.

#### Adding a Border

- In the Zoom Toolbar, select To Hoop.
- Select the Rectangle tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Click on the Satin Outline icon.
- Draw a rectangle around the design by left clicking in the upper left hand corner and dragging to the lower right hand corner.
- Click again on the screen to set the stitches.
- Press Esc to deselect the Rectangle tool.
- Select the rectangle; then unlock *Proportional Scaling*.
- Change the Width to 7" and the Height to 10". •
- Press *Enter* to activate the changes. •
- Select Edit/Select All.
- Select the Arrange Toolbox.
- Click on *Align Centers* to align the design within the border.

#### Adding the Halo Outline

- Select the Edit Toolbox.
- While everything is selected, select the *Outline Design* icon in the Edit Toolbox.
  - In the dialog box:
    - Click on the drop down arrow next to color and change the color to 5531.
    - ♦ Change the *Offset* to .25 inches.
    - Ochange the Outline count to 8.
    - Make sure that Outline Holes is checked.
    - ♦ Select triple for the type of *Outline stitch*.
    - ♦ Click on OK.
  - Select the outline furthest out from the frame.
  - While holding the *Shift* key, select the outline just beyond the satin frame.
  - Press Delete.
  - Save the file by clicking on the Save icon.
  - Close the design file.

# Notes:



#### Lesson covers:

- Zoom to Hoop
- Rectangle tool
- Align Centers
- Adding halo outlines

The Outline Design tool must be used with solid filled objects and satin outlines; it will not work with open fills or with outlines other than satin.

If the outlines do not generate correctly, select the outlines in Color Film and press Delete. Save the file and close the software. Go to Start> Programs> BERNINA Embroidery Software 7> BERNINA Embroidery Software 7 Tools. Select Re-

front of Defaults + Templates. Click OK. Reopen the design and repeat

vert. Place a check mark in

the steps to add the outlines.

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# Appliqué







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- box around the stem of the apple on the far right.
- If the hoop is over the apple, click on Show Hoop to hide the hoop boundary.
- Select the *Block* tool in the *Digitize Toolbox* and Color 43. Brown.
- Select the Satin Fill icon.
- Digitize the stem of the apple. Remember to alternate from side to side with the *Block* tool. Begin at the top of the stem with two left clicks.
- Press Enter to activate stitches. Press Esc.
- Select the stem and select *Reshape* if necessary; make the changes needed; then press Esc to deactivate the tool.

# Auto Appliqué

- Select the *Appliqué* tool from the *Digitize Toolbox*.
- From the Color Palette, select Color 5, red.
- Using left and right clicks, digitize around the outside of the apple that has the block digitized stem.
- Remember to let the software close the object by pressing Enter.
- Form the appliqué stitches by pressing *Enter* again.
- You may select the appliqué; then select Reshape to change any of the digitized points.
- After reshaping, select Esc.

# Editing the Appliqué

- Open Color Film.
- Notice there are three lines of stitching in the appliqué design:
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  - $\diamond$
- Select the appliqué.



- Press Esc.





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### **Adding Fabrics**

- Make sure you still have the appliqué object selected.
- To add fabric, select Choose under the Fabric section.
- A dialog box opens and the fabric can be selected from the options available.
- Click on the + sign in front of Benartex 2013 to open up the folder options.
- Click on the + sign in front of Naturescapes.
- Click on the + sign in front of Geology.
- Select 4718-29 (row 2, color chip 5).
- Click on OK; then OK again. The fabric will be added to the appliqué.
- Make sure that the *Show Appliqué Fabric* icon is on or the fabric will not show on screen.
- Select File> Save As and save the file as Appliqué Basics.

# Remove Appliqué Overlaps

### **Creating a New File**

- While the *Appliqué Basics* file is open, select the white background of the picture and click on the *Lock* icon in the *Arrange Toolbox* or right click on the appliqué in *Color Film* and select *Lock*.
  - Select the satin-stitch apple and stem by clicking and dragging a bounding box around the apple and stem.
- Select *Edit*> *Copy* or click on the *Copy* icon.
- Click on New.
- Select *Edit> Paste* or click on the *Paste* icon.

### **Creating Clones**

- Make two quick clones of the stem and apple by right clicking and dragging one copy to the right of the original and one copy to the left of the original. Make sure the copies overlap one another.
- Select the apple on the left and click on Ungroup in the Arrange Toolbox.
- Select just the apple.
- In the Color Palette, click on C49, deep yellow.
- Hold down the *Alt* key and select just the apple on the right.
- Change the color to C33, Chartreuse.

### **Adding Fabrics**

- Open Object Properties.
- The Appliqué tab should be selected.
- While the right apple is still selected:
  - ◊ Select Choose.
  - ◊ Naturescapes> Geology should still be open.
  - Select 4718-44 (third row, third color chip).
  - ♦ Click on *OK* in the dialog box; then click *Apply*.

# Notes:



Locking the picture will keep it from being selected in the bounding box.



An alternative to Ungrouping is to hold the Alt key and click on the object you wish to select. You can make changes to the object without ungrouping.

- Select the left apple:
  - ♦ Select Choose.
  - Select 4718-33 (third row, color chip 1).
  - $\diamond$  Click on *OK* in the dialog box.
  - ◊ Click OK.

#### **Sequence By Selects**

- Select the red apple, then select *Ungroup* in the *Arrange Toolbox*.
- Repeat for the green apple.
- Select the yellow apple, then the red apple, then the green apple while holding the *Ctrl* key.
- Open Color Film if it is not opened.
- Select Sequence By Selects.

### **Changing the Cover Stitch**

- Deselect by clicking outside the black boxes.
- Right click on the red apple to open Object Properties.
- From the drop down box for Cover Stitch, select Blanket.
- Click OK.

### Remove Appliqué Overlaps

- Select Edit> Select All.
- Click on *Remove Appliqué Overlaps* in the *Edit Toolbox*.
- Select *File> Save As* and name the file, *Remove Appliqué Overlaps*. Click *Save*.

# Advanced Appliqué (Open Object Appliqué)

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- While this file is open, select Edit> Select All.
- Select Copy.
- Click on New.
- Select Paste.
- Click on *Lock* in the *Arrange Toolbox*.
- If you try to select the locked design, you will not be able to do so.
- Locking this design will let you use this as a background for digitizing Advanced Appliqué.

### **Open Object Digitizing**

- Select the Stemstitch Outline.
- Select the Open Object Tool from the Digitize Toolbox.
- Select Color 49, deep yellow.
- Using right and left clicks, digitize around the yellow apple, beginning and ending at the edges that connect with the red apple.
- Press *Enter* to activate the shape.
- Press Esc.

Notes:

Sequencing needs to be determined prior to applying Remove Appliqué Overlaps.

Blanket stitch properties may be altered through Object Properties.

Look in Color Film to see that the cover stitch is removed from the yellow and red apples.



Use this method whenever you need to digitize objects that have open objects within the design, for example, designs that are split into parts. Also use this method for designs that have dimensional accents within the appliqué. Finally, use this method when you want to use other types of outlines besides satin + blanket.

Objects must be digitized from background to foreground.

Make sure that you create an underlap when you digitize the objects underneath. It is important that the first and last digitized points are underneath the apple that will be on top of it.

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- Select the Satin Outline from the Stitch Toolbar.
- Select Color 5, red from the Color Palette.
- Select the Open Object tool.
- Using right and left clicks, digitize around the red apple, beginning and ending at the edge of the green apple.
- Press *Enter* to activate.
- Press Esc.
- Select the Backstitch Outline from the Stitch Toolbar.
- Select Color 33, Chartreuse from the Color Palette.
- Select the Closed Object tool.
- Using right and left clicks, digitize around the red apple.
- Press *Enter* to activate.
- Press Esc.



## **Unlocking and Deleting**

- Open Color Film if it is not opened.
- Click on one of the color chips of the first group of apples.
- Right click and select Unlock All or click on the Unlock All icon in the Arrange Toolbox.
- Right click and select *Ungroup* or click on the *Ungroup* icon in the Arrange Toolbox.
- In *Color Film*, select each apple from the original pasted copy and select *Delete*.
- This will leave three stems and the newly digitized outline stitches. The fabric from the first three apples will also be deleted.

# Applying Advanced Appliqué

- Select Edit> Select All or Ctrl A on your keyboard.
- In the Digitize Toolbox, click on Advanced Appliqué.
- The Appliqué Properties dialog box will open.
- White hatch marks will appear inside the apples.

# Adding Fabrics to Advanced Appliqué

- Click on Place Fabric and Color in Patches.
  - Click on the + sign in front of Benartex 2013 to open up the folder options.
    - Click on the + sign in front of Naturescapes.
    - Olick on the + sign in front of Geology.
  - ♦ Select 4718-29 (last color chip, second row).
  - ♦ Click on the red apple to add the fabric.
  - Repeat these steps to apply 4718-33 (first color chip, third row) to the yellow apple
  - ♦ Apply 4718-44 (third color chip, third row) to the green apple.
- Select *Back* at the bottom of the dialog box.
- Select Close at the bottom of the dialog box.
- Select File> Save As and name the file Advanced Appliqué.
- Close the file.



If you need to reshape for any reason, first select "Recover your original embroidery objects" from the Appliqué Properties dialog box. This will remove the advanced appliqué and you can reshape the elements and then re-apply advanced appliqué by selecting everything and then clicking on the Advanced Appliqué icon.

*If you rest your cursor on a color chip, the color number will be displayed.* 

# Multi-Hooping



# **Editing the Design**

- Select New.
- Select Insert Embroidery.
- Navigate to C> My Designs—Embroidery Software 7.
- Open the Red Blackwork folder and open FP900.
- Right click on the Show Hoop icon.
  - Select artista 255 x 145 Oval hoop from the drop down menu.
     Make sure that Show Hoop is checked. Click OK.
- Select the design.
- In the Transform Toolbar, lock Proportional Scaling.
- Change the size of the *Width to 275 mm*. Press *Enter* to activate the changes.
- Click on the Object Properties icon while the design is selected.
- Change the Stitch Length to 3 mm. Press OK.

# **Multi-Hooping**

- Select the Hoop Canvas icon.
- Click on Add Hoop.
- Move the hoops so that they overlap on each side of the butterfly's head. All stitches should be green.
- Select Calculate Hoopings.
  - The dialog box should state that all objects are covered by hoops and that you will have two hoopings. If it does not, then you will need to move the hoops prior to saving.
  - ♦ Click *OK* to close the dialog box.

# **Embroidery Canvas**

- Select the Embroidery Canvas icon.
- Click on the Options icon and select the Multi-Hooping tab or select Settings> Options> Multi-Hooping.
- There should be a check mark in front of Add registration marks on output.
- Click on the *Margin* drop down and select *Medium* from the choices. Click *OK*.
- Select *File> Save As* and navigate to the location to save the file.
- Name the file *Multi-Hooping*. Select Save.
- Select *No* in the dialog box that opens to save everything in one file; this makes it easier to edit later if needed.
- Select File> Save As again, but name the file, Multi-Hooping Split.
- Select Save. Select Yes to export one file for every hooping.
- The Hooping Sequence screen will open.

# Saving the Files

- Click on Save All to save the split files.
- The files will be numbered in the order they are to be stitched; *Multi-Hooping Split-01* will be stitched first.
- Click on Close to return to Embroidery Canvas.

# Notes:



Lesson covers:

- Multi-Hooping
- Adjusting Margins
- Digitizing registration marks

The measurement system automatically updates the size of the design if you enter the corresponding unit of measurement in the measurement box.



If you select Large for a margin, there will be more distance between the mark and the hoop boundaries, making it easier for the design to fit in the hoop, but there may be less precision in aligning.



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# Adjusting the Margins

- Select Help> Reference Manual.
- Highlight the #1 in the current page box and enter 60.
- Press Enter to go to the page that explains the margins of multihooping.
- Close the Reference Manual by clicking on the X.
- Close the design file.

# Multi-Hooping: Digitizing Registration Marks

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# Editing the Design

- Click on the *New* icon.
- Select Insert Embroidery.
- Navigate to C: My Designs—Embroidery Software 7.
- Open the Animals folder and open NA860.
- Right click on the Show Hoop icon.
  - Select artista 255 x 145 Oval hoop from the drop down menu.
    Make sure that Show Hoop is checked. Click OK.
- Select the design.
- In the *Transform Toolbar*, make sure *Proportional Scaling* is locked.
- Increase the Percentage to 175%. Press Enter.

# Switch to Hoop Canvas

- Select the Hoop Canvas icon.
- Click on Add Hoop.
- Move the hoops so that they overlap as much as possible, but the entire design is green.
- Select Calculate Hoopings.
  - The dialog box should state that all objects are covered by hoops and that you will have two hoopings.
  - ♦ Click *OK* to close the dialog box.
- Switch back to Embroidery Canvas.

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# **Digitizing Registration Marks**

- Click on the *Options* icon. Select the *Grid tab.*
- Make sure that Snap to Grid and Show Grid are checked.
- Select the Multi-Hooping tab.
- Make sure that Add registration marks on output is unchecked.
- Click OK.
- Right click on Single Outline to open Object Properties.
- Change the Stitch Length to 4 mm.
- Click OK.
- Select the Open Object Tool.
- Select a color from the *Color Palette* that hasn't been used in the design.



Snap to Grid makes the grid turn red when the mouse is directly on the grid intersection. Both the vertical and horizontal grid line will be red when the mouse is placed at the intersection of the grid. When it is directly on a line, the line turns turquoise.



Increasing the stitch length will make the reference marks easier to remove.

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- Zoom in on the upper left area of the hoop by selecting the *Zoom* icon and clicking and dragging a bounding box in the grid.
- In the upper left area of the hoop, digitize two side-by-side Z's using the grid as a guideline. Make sure that these marks are inside both hoop boundaries.
  - Use left clicks to form each Z.
  - Place a vertical line of stitching in between the Z's so the machine won't have to jump in between the Z's.
- Press *Enter* to set the stitches; then press *Esc.*
- Select the Z's; then select Copy.
- Select Paste.
- In the Zoom Toolbar, select Zoom to Hoop.
- Click and drag on the copy to place it in the lower right of the hoop.
- Make sure you are inside the hoop boundaries of the both hoops.

# Saving the Files

- Select *File> Save As* and navigate to the location to save the file.
- Name the file, Multi-Hooping Digitized Registration.
- Select Save.
- Select *No* in the dialog box that opens to save everything in one file; this makes it easier to edit later if needed.
- Select File> Save As again and name the file, Multi-Hooping Digitized Registration Split.
- Select Save.
- Select Yes to export one file for every hooping.
- Click on Save All to save the split files.
- Click on Close to return to Embroidery Canvas.
- Close the file.

# Final Editing of the Split Files

- Click on Open.
- Open the first split file. This is the split file with 01 in the name of the file.
- Open Color Film. Click on Auto Hide to keep the docker open.
- Hold the Alt key and click on the last color box in Color Film.
- Right click on the color box and select Copy.
- Click on Open.
- Open the second split file. This file will have 02 in the file name.
- Select Paste.
- In Color Film, click on Move to Start.
- Click on Save. Close the file



It is important that the registration marks are inside both hoop boundaries.



The Overview Window docker can also be used to zoom in on the lower right of the design. Open the docker, click on the Zoom icon in the docker and drag a bounding box in the area you wish to zoom.



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# Trapunto & Raised Satin

## **Open a New File/Blank File**

- Click on the New icon or select File> New.
- Select Insert Artwork.
- Navigate to C> My Designs> Artwork.
- Select Hungarian Quilt.
- Select Open.

## Auto Digitize

- Select the Auto-Digitize Toolbox.
- Click on Auto Digitizer.
- Click on the image.
- In the Bitmap Artwork Preparation dialog box, the value of Reduce To should be 3.
- Click OK.
- In the Auto Digitizer dialog box, click on Omitted Colors to show the colors in the design.
- Select the white color chip to omit the background color.
- Click OK.
- Select the white area.
- Press Delete to delete the picture.
- Open Color Film if it is not open.
- Select the black outlines in Color Film.
- Select Delete.

# Adding Raised Satin

- Select Edit> Select All.
- Click on the Raised Satin Fill icon in the Stitch Toolbar.
- Right click to open Object Properties.
- Change the Layers to 4.
- Click OK.
- Select File> Save As and name the file Raised Satin.

# Adding Trapunto

- Select Edit> Select All.
- Click on *Create Trapunto Outlines* in the *Edit Toolbox*.
- In the dialog box that opens:
  - Ohoose your desired color from the drop down box.
  - Leave the offset at .02 inches.
  - ♦ Select *Triple* for *Outline type*.
  - ♦ Click OK.
- Select File> Save As.
- Name the file Trapunto.
- Close the file.



Lesson covers:

Notes:

- Auto Digitizing
- Converting to Raised Satin
- Editing Raised Satin
- Adding Trapunto







# PunchWork



# **Open a New File/Blank File**

- Click on the New icon or select File> New.
- Select Insert Embroidery.
- Navigate to C> My Designs> Florals> NZ651. Select Open.

# Adding PunchWork

- Open Color Film. Deselect the flower.
- Hold the *Alt* key and click on the flower center to select.
- Right click and select Delete.
- In the Digitize Toolbox, select PunchWork.
- Digitize the center of the flower with three right clicks around the opening. Place one at 12:00, one at 3, and one at 6.
- Press Enter to close the shape;.
- Press Enter again to create the PunchWork. Press Esc.

# Editing PunchWork

- Right click on the flower center.
- Change the density to a 2 in the Object Properties dialog box.
- Place a check mark in front of Border Stitching.
- Select Satin from the drop down menu.
- Change the width to 2 mm. Select OK.

# Sequencing

- Select the PunchWork design.
- In the Edit Toolbox, select Break Apart.
- Now each of the components can be moved.
- In *Color Film*, select the placement line and the stippling while holding the *Ctrl* key.
- Click on Back 1 Color.
- Select Edit> Select All and group by selecting Ctrl + G.

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# Adding Pattern Stamps

- In the Digitize Toolbox, select Pattern Stamp.
- In the Patterns menu, select 01 Monogram Ornaments.
- Select M004b. Click OK.
- Click to the right of the flower close to the lower edge of the flower.
- Hold the *Shift* key and rotate upward and drag the mouse to increase the size of the flourish. Click again to set the stamp.
- Select *Esc* to deactivate the stamp.
- Select the stamp.
- In the *Mirror Merge Toolbox*, select *Mirror Merge Horizontal*, drag on screen, and click to set the second stamp.
- Select *Edit> Select All* and click on the *Space Evenly Across* in the *Arrange Toolbox*.
- Switch to *Hoop Canvas,* select the hoop, click on *Rotate Left* two times. Return to *Embroidery Canvas*.
- Select File> Save As and name the file PunchWork. Close the file.

# Notes:



Lesson covers:

- Auto Digitizing
- Converting to Raised Satin
- Editing Raised Satin
- Adding PunchWork
- Break Apart for Punch-Work
- Pattern Stamp
- Space Evenly Across
- Rotating the hoop

The PunchWork area does not completely fill the circle to allow for the span of the needles in the Needle Punch accessory.

Analyze the design for correct stitching order. The leaves must stitch first; next the PunchWork stippling; next the flower petals; and then the satin stitching of the Punch-Work. In order for the sequence of the PunchWork to occur in the proper order, the PunchWork design must be broken apart.



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# StumpWork



# Creating the Base Design

- Select New. Click on Show Hoop if a hoop is not visible.
- Select a color from the *Color Palette* by clicking on a color chip.
  Select the *Ellipse tool* in the *Digitize Toolbox* and draw a small cir-
- cle. Click; then drag and click again to set the radius of the circle.
- Press *Enter* to activate.
- Press *Esc*; then click on the circle to select.
- Make sure *Proportional Scaling* is locked in the *Transform Toolbar*. Change the value to1 *inch in the Width or Height box*.
- Change the X and Y values to zero.
- Press *Enter* to activate.
- Select Zoom to Selected in the Zoom Toolbar.

# Carving Stamp

- Open the Carving Stamp Docker. Select Use Pattern.
- In Set, Select BerninaV5. Select NP005-15.
- Click on the outer left edge of the circle at the hoop center line.
- Drag while holding the *Shift* key and click again on the opposite side of the circle.
- You must be in *Artistic View* to see the effect of the stamp.
- Press *Esc*.

# Loading the Picture

- Click on the Artwork Canvas icon.
- Click on the Load Artwork icon.
- Navigate to C> My Designs—Embroidery Software 7 and open the Artwork folder.
  - Select Petal.wmf.
- Select *Import* and click to the left of the circle.
- Click again to place the vector on the screen. Move if necessary.
- With the vector selected, click on the *Convert Artwork to Embroi- dery*.
- While the converted embroidery is still selected, move the petal so that it falls just over the edge of the circle. (see picture)

# Creating StumpWork

- Open the Color Film docker. Click on Auto Hide.
- Select the outline around the petal in *Color Film*.
- Press Delete.
- In the *StumpWork Border Docker Panel*, preselect the properties of *on the Create StumpWork Borthe border*:
  - ◊ For *Embroidery*: Wireline
  - For Stabilizing Run 2: 2 Passes, keep default distance
  - ♦ For *Cutting Line*: CutWork Tool
- Open the StumpWork Toolbox.
- Select the filled petal.
- Click on Create StumpWork Border.

# Notes:



### Lesson covers:

- Ellipse Tool
- Carving Stamp
- Creating StumpWork from embroidery
- Digitizing StumpWork
- Digitizing a Wireline





Creating a StumpWork Border from an existing design creates a Wireline Embroidery unless you change the default docker values prior to clicking on the Create StumpWork Border icon.

The Stabilizing Run 1 is not needed for Wireline objects, but may be used for other types of StumpWork.

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• A dialog box opens.

Properties...

 If you wish to change the properties of the wireline border you are creating, you may click on the Object Properties bar within the dialog box.

- You have options to change the gauge of the wire in this dialog box and the Offset and Smoothing of the border in the first dialog box. Click on the X to close Object Properties.
- For this design, leave the properties at the default settings.
- Click OK.
- A cursor with a flag instructs you to place the cursor over the wireline and click to cut. This will cut the border for the protruding wire ends.
- Click to cut; then click Undo.

# Saving & Sending the Design

- In Color Film, notice that all StumpWork components are grouped.
- In *Color Film,* select the StumpWork design and the filled petal while holding the *Ctrl* key.
- Click on Create StumpWork Sub-Design.
  - This will combine all StumpWork components into a separate layer.
  - ONOTICE THAT THE StumpWork design no longer shows in Color Film.
- Click on Open StumpWork Sub-Design.
  - This will open the StumpWork object in a separate layer from the base design and it will make it easier to edit the StumpWork layer if needed.
  - The StumpWork object is stitched out separately from the base design and must be sent to the machine via the Sub-Design screen.
  - There is no need to save the design separately from the base design, but it must be sent to the machine separately.
  - To send the StumpWork Sub-Design to the machine, click on the Write to Machine icon in this design screen.
  - ◊ To send the design, select the appropriate box in the ADX dialog box. Click OK after the design is sent.
- To return to the base design, click on File> Close.
- To send the StumpWork base design, click on *Write to Machine* from this screen. Only the base design will be sent.
- Click OK in the *Write to Machine/Card* dialog box. Follow instructions above for sending the design.
- Select *File> Save As* and save the design as *StumpWork From Embroidery*. Close the file.

# Digitizing StumpWork:

# Creating Stumpwork from Scratch

- Open a *New* file.
- Click on the Insert Artwork icon.

# Notes:

If you want the embroidered area to be completely enclosed, select *Undo* and the StumpWork will change to an enclosed object. You can attach the Stump-Work to the base with a zigzag tack stitch if you don't use the wire to attach to the base fabric.

Although it is not necessary to save the StumpWork design separately from the base design, you can save it by clicking on Save StumpWork Sub-Design. This must be done when the StumpWork design is opened in the Open StumpWork Sub-Design screen.

After creating the StumpWork Sub-Design, when you click on Write to Machine to send a design that includes both Stump-Work and the base design, a warning dialog box appears to remind you that only the base design will be sent from this screen.

If a design has more than one StumpWork component within the design, each must be sent separately to the machine for stitching.





- Navigate to C> My Designs—Embroidery Software 7 and open the Notes: Artwork folder.
- In the File Name box, begin to type in Petal.
- From the list that appears, select *Petal.wmf*.
- Select Open.

### Digitizing StumpWork

- Open the StumpWork Toolbox.
- Click on the Digitize Closed StumpWork Border icon.
- The Stumpwork Border docker will open.
- Click on *Auto Hide* icon so that the thumb tack is vertical to keep the dialog box open.
- Click on the *Object Properties* icon next to *Wireline* and change the *Wire Gauge to 28*. The *Tack Width* is automatically updated.
- Click OK.
- If you wish to use the CutWork Tool to cut the finished StumpWork, an opening in the border for make sure there is a radio dot in front of Use CutWork Tool.
- Digitize around the petal as you would digitize any object, with a combination of left and right clicks, using left clicks to turn corners and right clicks to form curves.
- Let the software close the object by pressing *Enter* to enclose the shape.
- Press Esc.
- Click on the Show Bitmap Artwork icon to hide the artwork.





You can digitize with the Open StumpWork icon as well if you wish to have

an opening in the border for leaving a wire tail to bring to the wrong side of the base fabric.



If you wish to cut the closed StumpWork border, you can select the

Cut Closed StumpWork Border to add an opening to the closed border.

Slow Redraw StumpWork

- Select the *Slow Redraw* icon to watch the StumpWork design stitch out. Press *Go* to begin.
- A double line stitches first (the pink line in the picture). This is the placement line for the wire.
- The next segment of stitching is the tackdown. This is a zigzag that will attach the wire to the object. See *Help> Reference Manual* for tips.
- The next segment to stitch out is the cover stitch. The machine's speed can be changed back to a higher speed after the wire is tacked down.
- The final stitching is another Stabilizing Run that will secure the object before being cut.
- The machine will stop after this stitching and prompt you to place the CutWork Tool on the machine and will stop for each twist of the blade position.
- If *Use Scissors* is selected for the *Cutting Line*, then you may remove the fabric from the hoop when the design is finished and cut around the object between the satin stitch and the stabilizing stitch with a sharp pair of scissors.
- Select File> Save As and name the file StumpWork Petal Digitized.
- Close *Slow Redraw*; then close the file.

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You will find instructions for stitching out StumpWork in the

Machine Recommendations for Tackdown Stitching:

- Use 44C foot, 24, or 26 foot.
- Use the foot control for ease in stopping and starting.
- Use the slider to reduce the speed.



# Digitizing Additional Wirelines:

# Opening the Design

- Select the New icon.
- Click on the Insert Artwork.
- Navigate to C> My Designs—Embroidery Software 7> Artwork folder.
- Select Petal2.wmf.
- Click on Open.
- Click on Zoom to Selected in the Zoom Toolbar.

### **Digitizing a Wireline**

- Open the StumpWork Toolbox.
- Select Digitize Wireline.
- Digitize a line down the center of the leaf as you would any open object, using right and left clicks and pressing Enter to activate the line.
- Click on Esc.
- Select the wireline and select a color in the *Color Palette*.
- You may click on Reshape to edit the line.
- Press *Esc* when you are finished reshaping.

# Adding StumpWork

- Select Digitize Closed StumpWork Border.
- Preselect the StumpWork options in the StumpWork Docker panel.
- Click on a color in the Color Palette. •
- Using the picture in the background, digitize around the petal shape using right and left clicks to form the shape.
- Press Enter to activate the StumpWork design.
- Press Esc.
- Select the white picture in the background and select *Delete*.
- Select Edit> Select All.
- Click on Create StumpWork Sub-Design to open the design on the separate layer.
- Click on Open StumpWork Sub-Design.
- Click on Write to Machine to send the design to the machine for stitching.
- Select your option in the ADX dialog box. Click OK in the dialog box that opens.
- Click on Save StumpWork Sub Design As.
- Save the design as StumpWork Digitized Wireline.
- Close the file.



### Tips for Digitizing Wireline:

- Make sure that the Wireline tackdown of this internal line ends before the tackdown around the object so that the wire doesn't get caught when the external wireline border is stitched.
- You may cut the wire slightly shorter than the length of the wireline to avoid this as well. This allows you to have the stitching right up to the border to avoid unwanted gaps.

If you print a template of a StumpWork design, the preview will show the entire StumpWork design including the StumpWork but only the base design will be shown in Color Film. You will need to open the StumpWork Sub-Design to view the components of the StumpWork design.

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# Bonus: Blackwork Run

The software offers the *Blackwork Run* feature to assist in creating outlines. Blackwork Run is designed to join selected outlines to form a single grouped, reinforced outline, correctly sequenced for efficient stitch-out.

Important notes regarding Blackwork Run - - -

- It always follows the color of the first object in the sequence.
- It works with Open and Closed Object tools and Ellipse and Rectangle Tools.
- It works with the following outline types: Single, Triple, Backstitch, Stemstitch, Raised Satin, Satin, and Blanket.

# Opening the File

- Click on New.
- Select Insert Artwork.
- Navigate to C> My Designs> Artwork.
- Open the BERNINA Heart folder.
- Select Multicolored Heart with straight edges.wmf. Click on Open.

# **Digitize the Heart**

- Select To Fit from the Zoom Toolbar.
- Select the Closed Object tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Click on the Single Outline icon in the Stitch Toolbar.
- Digitize the outline of the heart at the intersection of the purple border and the multi-colored heart.
- Select the Open Object tool.
- Digitize the straight lines within the heart with two left clicks, pressing *Enter* after each straight line. Be sure the lines are touching either the heart outline or another interior line.
- Click on Show Bitmap Artwork to hide the picture.
- Check that all the lines touch either the heart outline or another interior line.
- If they don't, use *Reshape* to edit.
- Select *Esc* if reshaping was necessary.

# Applying Blackwork Run

- Switch to *Design View* by selecting *T* on the keyboard.
- If jump stitches do not show, click on Show Connectors.
- Notice all the jump stitches that occur in the design.
- Select Edit > Select All.
- Click on the Stemstitch Outline icon.
- Select Blackwork Run in the Edit Toolbox.
- You may enter the *Entry point* by clicking on the outline of the design or let the software decide by pressing *Enter*. The software automatically re-sequences the stitching to eliminate jump stitches.
- Select File> Save As; name the file Blackwork Run.
- Close the file.







- Open Object tool
- Closed Object tool
- Blackwork Run





If the lines do not connect, Blackwork Run doesn't eliminate all jump stitches. Select a line that does not intersect, click on Reshape, then move the point that doesn't intersect to meet the other line.

You may eliminate the jump at the beginning and end by selecting Design> Auto Start & End. Change the Start needle position to the First stitch of the design and the End needle position to the last stitch. Click OK.

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# Bonus: True Type Fonts



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# Bonus: Create a Pattern

# **Open a New File**



- Select New.
- Switch to Artwork Canvas.
- Select Text> Insert Symbol Character.
- In the font drop down box, choose Wingdings.
- Select the 6-pointed star, or some other geometric shape.
- Select Insert at the bottom of the Insert Character dialog box or click and drag the shape onto the screen.
- Add a fill color by clicking on a color chip.
- Delete the outline by right clicking on the *None Color Chip* at the top of the color chips.
- Close the *Lock Ratio* icon.
- Enter 40% in the % box in the Property Bar.
- Press Enter to activate the change.
- Click on Convert Artwork to Embroidery.

# Editing the Object

- Make sure the hoop is displayed by clicking on Show Hoop.
- Select the stitched star.
- Select Zoom to Selected in the Zoom Toolbar.
- Click on the star to switch to outlined square handles.
- Click and drag on a corner outlined square to rotate the star so that one of the points is on the horizontal guide.
- With the object selected, select Reshape.
- Move the green square (start point) to the far left, the red cross (stop point) to the far right of the star. (see picture)
- Select Slow Redraw to view how the pattern will stitch.
- Notice that the small pattern has underlay.
- Select the star.
- Click on the *Auto Underlay* icon in the *Effects Toolbar* to eliminate the underlay.

# **Creating the Pattern**

- While the star is still selected, select Settings> Create Pattern.
- In the dialog box that opens, click on New Set.
- Name the set, *Created Patterns*.
- Click OK.
- In Pattern Name, enter Star.
- Click OK.
- Follow the status bar prompts to digitize the reference line for the pattern from the left tip to the right tip.
- You will receive a message that the pattern has been created.
- Click OK.
- You can save this file as *Created Pattern Stamp* or choose not to save it because it can be accessed as a Patten Outline, a Pattern Fill, or a Pattern Stamp within the software.
- Close the file.

# Notes:

#### Lesson covers:

- Insert Symbol Character
- Creating patterns
- + Rotating
- Changing Start & End points
- Removing Underlay
- Using created pattern stamps to create fills, outlines, pattern stamps, and carving stamps
- Creating star effects



Moving the start and stop points will eliminate jump stitches in the pattern outlines generated from the created pattern.











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#### Using the Pattern: For Outlines

- Select New.
- Right click on the *Pattern Run Outline* icon.
- In Object Properties, click on the Select button.
- In *Patterns*, click on the drop down arrow and choose, *Created Patterns*.
- Select the Star.
- Click *OK;* then *OK* again.
- Select the Open Object tool and digitize a line with two left clicks.
- Press Enter to activate.
- Press Esc.

#### Using the Pattern: For Fills

- Right click on the *Pattern Fill* icon.
- In Object Properties, click on the Select button.
- In *Patterns*, click on the drop down arrow and choose, *Created Patterns*.
- Select the Star.
- Click *OK;* then *OK* again.
- Select the *Rectangle* tool and digitize a rectangle with two clicks, clicking in the upper left corner, then dragging to the lower right corner.
- Press Esc.
  - Select the rectangle and click on *Outline Design* in the *Edit Toolbox*. In the dialog box, select the *Color, set Offset at 0, Outline Count to 1, and select the Triple stitch.* Click OK.

### Using the Pattern: For Pattern Stamps

- Select Pattern Stamp from the Digitize Toolbox.
- In *Patterns*, click on the drop down arrow and choose, *Created Patterns*.
- Select the Star.
- Click OK.
- Click and drag and click again to set the stamp.
- You may hold the *Shift* key down after the first click to increase the size. Press *Esc.*

#### Using the Pattern for a Carving Stamp

- Select the *Rectangle tool* in the *Digitize Toolbox* and the *Step fill* from the *Stitch Toolbar*.
- Draw a rectangle with two left clicks.
- Press Esc.
- Open the Carving Stamp docker.
- Click on the Use Pattern tab.
- Navigate to Set> Created Patterns> Star.
- Select the *Star*. Set stamps on the step fill rectangle using two left clicks. Press *Esc.*
- Save the file as *Created Patterns*.
- Close the file.





Pattern fills and craft fills often need outlines around the pattern to give a finished look.



# **Bonus: Effects**

# Star Effect

# Digitizing a Circle

- Select New.
- Select the *Ellipse Tool* in the *Digitize Toolbox*.
- Draw a circle, clicking in the center and dragging to the size of circle you want, click again, and press Enter.
- Press Esc.
- Right click on the circle to open *Object Properties*.

# Changing the Density & Travel on Edge

- Change the Stitch Spacing to .90 mm.
- Select Apply.
- Click on the *Effects* icon.
- The Underlay tab should be selected.
- Uncheck Underlay 1 to eliminate the underlay from the fill.
- Select the Others tab.
- Place a check mark in front of *Travel on Edge*.
- Click OK.

### Adding an Outline

- The circle should still be selected.
- Click on Outline Design in the Edit Toolbox.
- Choose these options: Select a Color, Offset at 0, Outline Count at 1, Select Triple.
- Click OK.

### Star Fill

- Select the circle.
- Click on Star Fill in the Effects Toolbar.
- If you right click on the Star Fill icon, you can change the Hole Width and the Hole Height.

# Wave Effect

# Digitizing with the Closed Freehand Tool

- Select the Closed Freehand Tool in the Digitize Toolbox.
- Click on the arrow on the Smoothing bar (under the Transform *Toolbar*) and drag the arrow to 100%.
- Click on the screen and drag upward; then drag to the right to create a pie shape.
- Release the mouse to set the stitches.
- Press Esc.
- Select the object.

# Notes:



#### Lesson covers:

- ♦ Star Effect
- Changing density
- Travel on Edge
- Adding an outline
- Wave Effect
- Gradient Fill

Travel on Edge will keep the traveling stitches from stitching through an object that has decreased density.

Pattern fills and craft fills often need outlines around the pattern to give a finished look.



The Closed Freehand Tool creates an object with multiple stitch angles.

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- Click on Wave Effect in the Effects Toolbar.
- Click on *Reshape Object*.
- You can reshape the object as desired by moving, deleting, changing, or adding control points around the object.
- You can also change the wave of the fill by changing the arc of the wave fill.
- Points can be added, moved, deleted, or changed in the same way you change the shape of the object.
- Press Esc.

# Gradient Fill Effect

## Gradient Fill

- Select the *Rectangle Tool* in the *Digitize Toolbox*.
- Click in the upper left hand corner and drag to the lower right hand corner. Click again to set the rectangle.
- Press Esc.
- Select the rectangle.
- Select the *Effects* icon.
- Select the Gradient Fill tab.
- Place a check mark in front of Gradient Fill.
- Select Profile # 3.
- Select the Underlay tab.
- Uncheck the Underlay #1 option to eliminate the underlay.
- Click OK.
- Select *File> Save As* and navigate to the location to save the file.
- Name the file, *Effects* and save.
- Close the file.

Gradient Fills adds perspective or shading to embroidery designs. Gradient fills vary the stitch spacing between dense and open fills. The software offers four different profiles for Gradient Fills. In addition, the spacing can be changed





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# Bonus: Create a Monogram Border



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# Open a New File

- Select New.
- Switch to Artwork Canvas.
- Select the Basic Vector Shape icon.
- Click on the black triangle of the Perfect Shapes icon in the Property Bar.
- Select the heart.
- Click on the screen; then click and drag to form the heart.
- While it is selected, click on Convert Artwork to Embroidery.

# **Creating the Border**

- The heart should still be selected.
- Select Settings> Create Border.
- In the dialog box that opens, click on New.
- Name the set, *Created Borders*.
- Click OK.
- In New Border Name, enter Heart.
- Click OK.
- Follow the status bar prompts to set the start point and the end point for the border. Click on the border to set these points
- You will receive a message that the pattern has been created.
- Click OK.
- You may delete the object as it is now stored in your program files for BERNINA Embroidery Software 7.

### Using the Border

- Open the *Monogramming* program from the *Digitize Toolbox*.
- Input Initials and Ornaments as desired.
- Click on the *Border* tab.
- Select Add.
- In the *Border Set*, click on the drop down box and select *Created Borders.*
- Select the heart.
- Click OK.
- You may now edit and add to the monogram as desired.
- Save the file as Created Monogram Border.
- Close the file.



Lesson covers:

Notes:

- Converting artwork to embroidery
- Creating monogram borders