

EMBROIDERED

Winter Gift Bags

Machine embroidery • Custom lettering • Lined drawstring bag



Class samples

Instructor: Beth Planer

Location: The Old Country Store

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Create a fully lined drawstring gift bag featuring machine embroidery and a short word or phrase added with the lettering fonts built into your embroidery machine. **This list is for one bag.**

CHOOSE ONE EMBROIDERY DESIGN

- Cardinal & Magnolias from OESD
- Winter Magic Ice Skates Etching from Embroidery Library
- Another instructor-approved design that fits your Midi or Large Hoop

BEFORE CLASS

1. Load the design in the correct format onto your machine or USB drive.
2. Verify that the file opens and fits your chosen hoop.
3. Bring the printed color chart or thread-change sheet.
4. Choose a short word or phrase to place below the design.

Important: Do not resize or substantially edit the embroidery design before class unless you have checked with the instructor. Bring your machine manual if you are unsure how to load a design or add lettering.

FABRIC & RIBBON

- 3/4 yard outer bag fabric
- 1/2 yard lining fabric
- Decorative top/casing fabric: two matching pieces, 13" x 3" each
- Coordinating ribbon: at least 84"
- All-purpose construction thread to coordinate with the bag fabrics

STABILIZERS & FUSIBLES

- 18" x 18" fusible CutAway stabilizer
- 14" x 18" light-weight TearAway stabilizer
- 14" x 16" medium-weight TearAway stabilizer
- Steam-A-Seam 2, 1/4" wide
- 505 temporary adhesive spray
- Extra stabilizer for testing or a second bag

Planning a second bag: Bring a second complete set of fabric, ribbon, stabilizers, and thread. You may begin the second bag if class time permits.

Questions before class: 610-780-6756

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THREADS, MACHINE EQUIPMENT & SEWING TOOLS

EMBROIDERY THREAD, BOBBIN THREAD & NEEDLES

- 40-weight polyester embroidery thread, such as Isacord or Mettler Poly Sheen
- Prewound bobbin with white or coordinating bobbin thread; bring at least one spare
- Mettler SERALENE was used in the original class sample
- Microtex 90/14 needle - recommended for this project
- Embroidery 80/12 needle - acceptable alternative
- Bring at least one extra needle

BETH'S SAMPLE THREAD COLORS

Use the color chart included with your downloaded design as the primary guide. The numbers below are the Isacord colors used for the 2023 class samples; substitutions are welcome.

Design	Area	Sample Isacord Colors
Cardinal & Magnolias	Leaves	5833, 0352, 5934, 0465, 6133
	Magnolias	0015, 0781, 0170, 0731, 0640
	Cardinal	1010, 4174, 0020, 1725, 1913, 1600, 2123, 0015
Winter Magic Ice Skates Etching	Skates	0015, 1061, 1876
	Flowers, pinecones & greenery	5233, 0941, 0922, 2640, 1876

MACHINE & EMBROIDERY EQUIPMENT

- Embroidery machine, module, power cord, and foot control
- Embroidery Foot #26
- Walking Foot #50
- Patchwork Foot #97C or #97D
- Midi Hoop or Large Embroidery Hoop, plus the matching template
- 0 mm single-hole stitch plate, if available, and regular 9 mm stitch plate
- USB flash drive with the design file
- Machine manual

GENERAL SEWING TOOLS

- Wonder Clips or straight pins
- Point turner
- Seam ripper
- Clover Bodkin or a large safety pin
- Temporary fabric marker or pencil that is visible on your fabric
- Thread snips and fabric scissors
- Rotary cutter with a sharp blade
- Tweezers
- Small ruler, approximately 6" x 12"
- Large ruler, approximately 6" x 24"

Final check before leaving home: Confirm that your design opens on the machine, your hoop is large enough, your bobbin is wound, and every cord and foot-control pedal is packed. These are the tiny items that can bring an entire class to a dramatic halt.