

CatWork Welcome Banner

Create - Cut - Stitch

Supplies

- ◆ BERNINA CutWork Accessory & Software
- ◆ Floral background Fabric - 11"x22"
- ◆ 2 - 3" Strips of Black cut from 44/45" width
- ◆ Applique Fabric: Welcome - to fit Mega Hoop
- ◆ Applique Fabric: Daisies - to fit Oval Hoop
- ◆ OESD Applique Fuse & Fix Stabilizer
- ◆ HydroStick Stabilizer
- ◆ Tear Away Stabilizer
- ◆ Batting & Backing Fabric: 26" x 15"
- ◆ Optional: 2-1/2" strips for binding
- ◆ Optional: 3" strip for hanging (Sleeve or Banner)



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Create the Appliqués in the CutWork Software. See page 3.

Cutting and Embroidery - Welcome Lettering (Oval Hoop & Mega Hoop)

- ◆ Iron Appliqué Fuse & Fix Stabilizer to back of the appliqué fabric and hoop with one layer of HydroStick stabilizer (use dry) for a firm backing, and a better cut. Use the oval hoop - smaller strips of fabric can be basted in place.
- ◆ "Stitch out" the Letter_Cut Design, turning the blade as directed.
- ◆ After letters are cut, hoop the background fabric with the Mega Hoop (Fabric backed with Tear-Away stabilizer) and stitch Color One of the appliqué design.
- ◆ This stitches the outline, or placement stitch, for each letter.
- ◆ Color 2 moves the needle up and out of the way for placement.
- ◆ Peel the paper backing off the pre-cut letter appliqué pieces, and place them into the appropriate outline shapes.
- ◆ Stitch Color 3 - the appliqué cover stitching.

Construction

- ◆ Trim the inner floral fabric to about 9"x20" - centering the lettering,
- ◆ Attach the Black 3" border strips: to the top and bottom first, then to the sides.

Cutting and Embroidery - Daisies (Oval Hoop)

- ◆ Iron Appliqué Fuse & Fix Stabilizer to back of the applique fabrics for the flowers.
- ◆ Place 2 layers of the pre-treated fabric with one layer of HydroStick stabilizer (used dry) for a firm backing and a better cut. It is easiest to use the 2 flower design **Cut_2_Daisies.exp** to cut 4 flowers at once, 2 large and 2 small.
- ◆ Stitch the Cut Design turning the blade as directed.
- ◆ After daisies are cut, hoop the background fabric in the Oval Hoop (Fabric backed with Tear-Away stabilizer)
- ◆ Open **2_Daisies.DST** and stitch Color One of the appliqué design - the appliqué placement stitch for the first flower.

- ◆ Peel the paper backing off the pre-cut appliqué pieces, and place them into the appropriate outline shapes, (turn until it fits correctly) and stitch Color 2 & Color 3 - the appliqué cover stitching.
- ◆ Color 4 is the flower center. Repeat the process for Colors 5-8, the second flower.

Finish the Banner

- ◆ This project can be finished using a traditional quilting method: layer your finished top with batting and backing, and quilt through all layers. Then square up the edges and add a hanging sleeve before binding.

Or:

- ◆ Turn the project (pillowcase method) through a slit in the back and topstitch.

The Pillow Case Method

Turn the project (pillowcase method) through a slit in the back and topstitch. Once turned right-side out the banner can be quilted - and the slit fused closed. The banner is hung with hangar strips, as shown below.

Strip for hanging banner

Cut a 3" strip (by fabric width 44/45") and stitch, wrong sides together, then turn right-side out. Press flat.

- ◆ Create 4 strap loops anywhere from 4" to 8" for hanging (depends on the diameter of what you will be hanging it on)
- ◆ Insert them along the top about 8" apart INSIDE (in-between) the front and back pieces BEFORE stitching around outside edges of the banner.
- ◆ Cut a slit in the back of the banner (3" or 4" long) and pull right side out.
- ◆ Topstitch, and quilt if desired.



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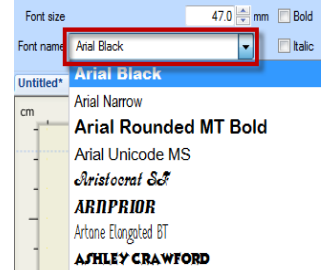
✿ Welcome Banner CutWork Software - Creating Appliqués

Open the CutWork Software

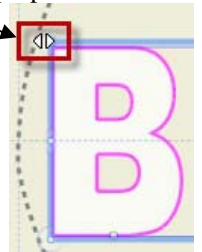
- ◆ Leave the bullet in *Create New*, and Select *Next*.
- ◆ Place a bullet in the option for *New Graphic*
- ◆ Select *Next*, and *Finish*.

Create CutWork

- ◆ Select the *Hoop* icon and place a checkmark in the 90° option & OK.
- ◆ Select the Edit Text icon, click in an empty area of the workspace, and type "welcome".
- ◆ In the TOOL OPTIONS (above the workspace), select the "Ravie" font. (installs with Microsoft Office, if not available choose something similar)
- ◆ Click on the Rectangle Select icon and select the text by clicking on it.
- ◆ Drag the corner handles to resize the text to fit in the hoop area. (Hold down the <Shift> key for a proportional re-size.)
- ◆ With the lettering still selected, click on the CutWork Icon - in the Object Properties panel on the right side of the workspace.



Use SHIFT with the corner handle for proportional resize

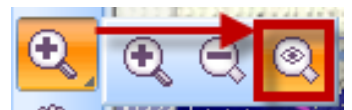
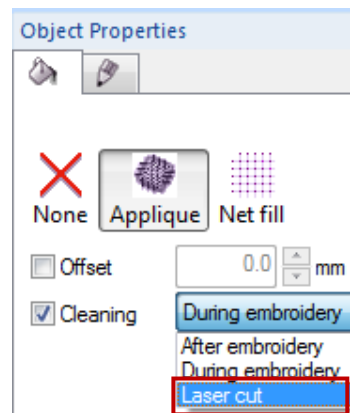


Save and Export

- ◆ Select *File* and *Save As*. Name the file **cut_welcome.Draw**
- ◆ Select the Export icon to send the design to the machine of your choice.

Create the Appliqué

- ◆ Select the *Undo* icon.
- ◆ Select the *Fill* Option in the *Object Properties* panel (right side)
- ◆ Select *Applique* and place a checkmark in the option for "Cleaning"
- ◆ Use the drop down menu to select the option "Laser Cut"
- ◆ Select the *Outline* Option from the *Object Properties* menu.
- ◆ Select a Stitch of your choice to cover the edges of the appliqué pieces. Try "Appliqué", #94, or #(over 360 stitches to choose from WOW !!!)
- ◆ Adjust the size of the stitch by placing a checkmark in the *Length* option at the bottom of the *Object Properties* panel. Type in "3" and <Enter>
- ◆ De-select the name to preview the stitching. (By clicking on an empty area of the workspace)
- ◆ Select the zoom tool, and Zoom in by Clicking and dragging a box around one letter of the name to get a close-up view.
- ◆ Select and hold the Zoom icon for the fly-out menu - select "Zoom All" to view the entire design.



ZOOM ALL

Save and Export

- ◆ Select *File* and *Save As*. Name the file **app_welcome.Draw**
- ◆ Select the Export icon to send the design to the machine of your choice.

This design is ready to be Cut and Appliquéd to the floral center back-ground. Then Black border strips are added and Daisies can be added.





Daisy Applique



- ◆ Select the *New* icon. Leave the bullet in *Create New* and select *Next*.
- ◆ Place a bullet in the option for *From Embroidery* and click the *Browse* option. Locate the Daisy.dst file on your computer and *Open*. Select *Next*, and *Finish*.



- ◆ If the design is not visible in the workspace, click on the *Stitch* icon to view stitches.
(The *Stitch* icon is found at the top of the screen in the menu bar)

Create a “Pre-Cut” Applique for the Embroidery



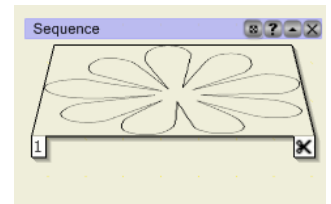
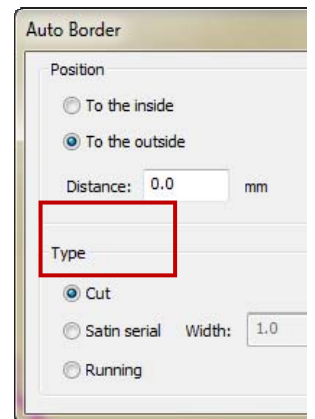
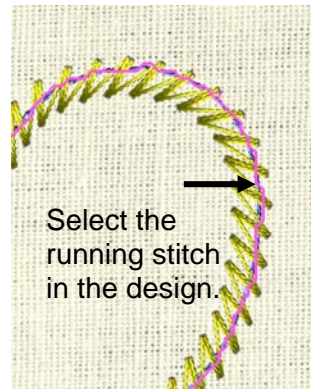
- ◆ Select the zoom tool, and Zoom in by Clicking and dragging a box around one of the petals to get a close-up view.



- ◆ Select the Rectangle Select icon and select the running stitch by clicking on it. (See the image on the right)



- ◆ Select the *Draw* icon (at the top of the screen in the menu bar) to gain access to *Auto Border and Cut* option.
- ◆ Right click on the pink highlighted line and the select the *Auto Border and Cut* option. The auto Border dialog box will open.
- ◆ Leave the Bullet in the “To the outside” option and in the options for *Type*, select *Cut*. Select <OK> to close the dialog box.
- ◆ Select the original embroidery design from the Sequence menu, and the <Delete> key on the keyboard.



Save and Export

- ◆ Select *File* and *Save As*. Name the file **Cut_Daisy.Draw**
- ◆ Select the Export icon to send the design to the machine of your choice.

Small Daisy Applique

- ◆ Select the *New* icon. Leave the bullet in *Create New* and select *Next*.
- ◆ Place a bullet in the option for *From Embroidery* and click the *Browse* option. Locate the Sm Daisy.dst file on your computer and *Open*. Select *Next*, and *Finish*.
- ◆ Proceed following the same steps listed above, to create the SmDaisies_Cut.Draw file. Save the design and export to the machine of your choice for stitchout.

Notes:

Cutting Designs can be combined in the hoop, and multiple layers of applique fabric used to cut the desired number of Daisies.

Attach the 3” black border to the floral background. Cut and applique the daisy designs to the banner panel.
(See Project Sheet for detailed instructions.)

