

**How to make an Embroidered greeting card**

*Materials:* Light to Medium weight cut away stabilizer. Tapey Tape  
Glue tape, or double-sided tape  
Glue stick

**Measurements are Height x Width**

5x7 plain greeting cards

Card Stock 250-350gsm is recommended

**SPECIAL NOTES**

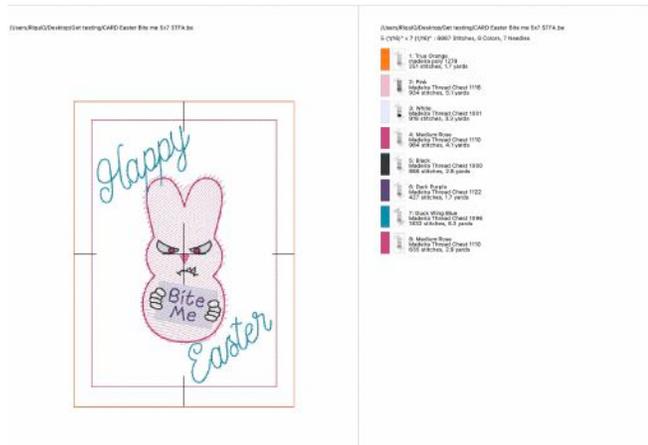
This PDF will show you two options.

Option 1- Embroider straight on the card

Option 2- embroider on cardstock and applique it to the card.

Before we get started let's look at the color stop sheet your color stops may vary depending on which card you are doing.

**OPTION 1- STITCH DIRECTLY ON THE CARD.**



Color stops 1 is the die line for the page.

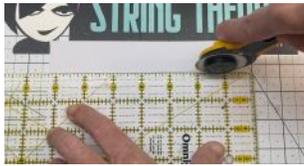
Color stops 2-??? The design.



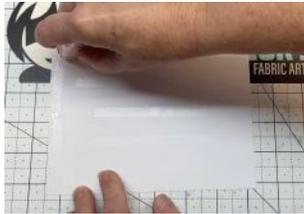
**Step 1** Hoop some Light to medium weight cutaway. I'm sure you're shocked by this.  
**Run Color stop 1.**

**Step 2:** Now Run some glue stick to hold the card in place long enough to stitch. Place your card lining up 3 sides with the die line. What will be the back of your card should be sticking straight up in the air in an orientation that will have it not up under the body of your machine. You may have to rotate your design on your machine to orient it properly.  
**Now you need to wait until your glue stick is TOTALLY DRY.**  
**Run the rest of the color stops.**

**Step 3:** Carefully unhoop your card.  
Flip your card over and fold your stabilizer back. Take your best pair of scissors and trim THE stabilizer only right on that fold. Continue this to remove the excess stabilizer all around your card design being careful not to pull the stitches up through the card.

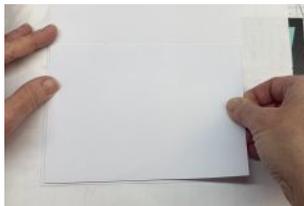


**Step 4:** set the card aside so we can cut a piece of cardstock to cover the back of the embroidery. Nobody really wants to see how the sausage is made.



Cut your backing card stock to 4 3/4" x 6 3/4"

**Step 5:** Apply your glue tape or double-sided tape carefully around all 4 edges, and in the middle of your card stock.



**Step 6:** carefully place your backing card stock so it is nicely aligned and square while covering the ugly side of the embroidery.

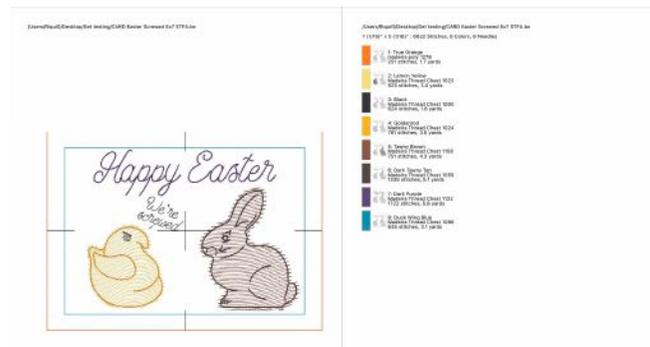


**Step 7:** starting in the middle apply a little pressure to fully adhere your backing. Lastly, run your finger along the edges to make sure it's really stuck down good.



**WOOHOO! Your card is finished.**

## OPTION 2- Applique stitched cardstock to the card.



Color stops 1 Is the die line for the page.

Color stops 2- ??? the design



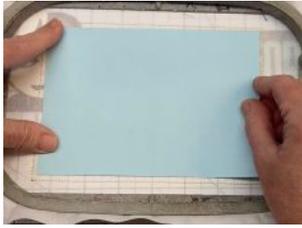
**Step 8:** Hoop some Light to medium weight cutaway. I'm sure you're shocked by this.  
**Run Color stop 1.**



**Step 9:** Cut a piece of card stock to use as your applique to 4 3/4" x 6 3/4"



**Step 2:** Now Run some glue stick to hold the card in place long enough to stitch

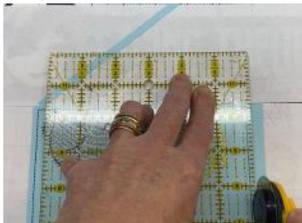


**Step 10:** Place your cardstock making sure to center is equally within the die line.

**Now you need to wait until your glue stick is TOTALLY DRY. Run all the remaining color stops.**



**Step 11:** Carefully unhoop your card. Flip your card over and fold your stabilizer back. Take your best pair of scissors and trim THE stabilizer only right on that fold. Continue this to remove the excess stabilizer all around your card design being careful not to pull the stitches up through the card



**Step 12:** If you didn't get your design centered perfectly on your card stock use a rotary cutter and ruler to trim so that it is now.



**Step 13:** Flip your applique over and apply glue tape or double-sided tape to all 4 edges



Now grab your blank card and run some glue tape or double-sided tape through the middle of it where your applique will sit. Don't go too close to the edges!



**Step 14:** Take your applique and place it nicely centered on your blank card. Starting in the middle smooth everything down, then run a finger with lots of pressure around all 4 edges. You can place a piece of clean paper or cardstock over your applique to keep it from getting dirty from any residual glue etc. that might be on your hands.

**Voila! One applique greeting card!**



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