

Snowflake Gift Stocking

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The stocking pictured above is made "in the hoop" with just single line of machine stitching to complete. The stocking is lined and the finished size is 7 1/2", perfect for small gifts.

Fabric & Notions

1/4 yd silk dupioni

1/4 yd coordinating cotton for lining

5" piece of 1/2" ribbon

Tear away stabilizer such as OESD Ultra Clean & Tear, 11" width

40 wt embroidery thread or 40 wt metallic thread

Bobbin thread

Instructions

1. Send the embroidery files for the Snowflake Gift Stocking to your machine, or load onto a USB memory stick.

2. From the silk dupioni, cut a rectangle 9" x 12" (23 cm x 30 cm). Hoop two layers of tear away stabilizer. Place the rectangle of fabric with a 9" side against the right side of the hoop. If your machine has a baste function, baste the fabric in place. Attach the hoop to the machine.



3. Select the embroidery file Snowflake. Thread the machine with 40 wt embroidery thread, using Colour 1. Embroider the decorative stitch background.
4. Stitch Colour 2, the snowflakes.



5. When the snowflakes are complete, fold the left edge of the fabric over the embroidery. The edges should match. Stitch Colour 3, the stocking outline.
6. Remove the stocking from the hoop. Trim the stocking 1/4" (6 mm) from the line of stitching. Remove excess stabilizer. The upper edge of the stocking is stitched with basting stitches; remove the basting stitches and turn the stocking right sides out. Smooth the seams and press.
7. When the embroidery is complete, remove the fabric from the hoop. Trim the stocking lining 1/4" (6 mm) from the line of stitching. Remove the excess stabilizer. The upper edge of the stocking is stitched with basting stitches: remove the stitches.
8. Open the file Stocking Lining.
9. For the stocking lining, cut a 9" x 12" rectangle from the cotton lining fabric. Fold the fabric in half so that the 9" edges match. Hoop two layers of tear away stabilizer. Place the double layer of fabric over the hoop, centering the fabric. Place the hoop on the machine.

10. Fold the 5" length of ribbon in half and pin it to the upper edge of the quilted stocking, centered on the right hand seam. Insert the embroidered stocking into the stocking lining, making sure the toes of the stocking and stocking lining are pointing the same direction. Match the upper edges of the stocking and pin in place, enclosing the ribbon loop between the layers. Using ordinary sewing, sew the upper edge with a 1/4" (6 mm) seam. Remove the pins.

Hint: The loop may also be made of matching fabric. Cut a strip 5" x 2". Fold each long edge of the strip to the center and press. Fold in half and edge stitch. Substitute for the ribbon.

11. Clip the basting stitches at the foot of the stocking lining and open the seam. Pull the toe of the quilted stocking through the opening to turn the unit right sides out. Sew the opening closed. Insert the lining into the quilted stocking, smoothing the lining into the toe. Roll the upper seam slightly toward the lining and press. The stocking is complete!

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