

Merry Christmas ITH Bauble

Celebrate the start of the Christmas making season with a new embroidered decoration for your tree!

This quick and easy in the hoop project also makes a festive gift tag and is flat enough to pop in the post. Follow the traditional Christmas colour scheme shown here or go rogue and mix it up to match your tree theme! If you like the idea of personalising your Baubles with names - a lovely way to include people on the tree, a Blank Bauble pes file is also available.

Happy stitching from Brother

YOU'LL NEED

- Brother embroidery machine with USB port and minimum hoop size of 13 x 18cm (5 x 7")
- Merry Christmas Bauble.pes or Blank Bauble.pes loaded onto a USB (see Instructions over page)
- 2 pieces acrylic or wool felt cut to 15 x 10cm
- 15cm of 3mm ribbon for hanging
- Embroidery threads in up to 3 colours, including 1 to match felt
- Brother bobbin fill
- Water soluble stabiliser
- Scissors
- Masking tape

Note: Use a baby wipe to remove the water soluble stabiliser from the outside edge when you are finished without leaving your sewing table.



LET'S START

1. Load the embroidery design in your machine and hoop the stabiliser
2. Stitch bauble placement outline onto the stabiliser.
3. Stitch ribbon placement box.
4. Fold the ribbon in half, tape so raw edges of the ribbon are over placement box, stitch.
5. Place the felt for the front of your bauble on the bauble outline. Stitch down the felt using the bauble outline.
6. Stitch all decorative stitches. If personalising your bauble, see Personalise Variation steps below.
7. Remove the hoop from the machine. Do not cut top felt yet. Tape the second piece of felt to the stabiliser at the back of the hoop making sure to cover the bauble
8. Place hoop back on machine. Stitch bauble outline in thread to match your felt.
9. Remove the hoop from the machine, carefully cut away the excess from both pieces of felt as close as possible to the bauble outline stitching.
10. Replace the hoop in the machine and satin stitch around the bauble.
11. Remove the hoop from your machine and carefully cut the stabiliser close to the stitching taking care not to cut the ribbon.
12. Following the directions for your wash away stabiliser, remove remaining visible stabiliser.

Personalised variation using Blank Bauble.pes file

Before you begin, you'll need to use your embroidery machine to add lettering to the design. Then during the stitching process, you will need to progress the stitching to stitch your lettering before adding the felt to the back of the hoop. All other instructions remain the same.

ADDING LETTERING

1. Load and set the Blank Bauble.pes design in your machine.
2. Rotate bauble design 90'.
3. Press add.
4. Select font and type required letters. Press set.
5. Drag the lettering to desired position
6. Select thread colour. Edit the size if needed.

PROGRESSING THE STITCHES TO CHANGE THE SEWING ORDER

- After completing the Decorative stitches in Step 6, forward your design past the applique outline tack down stitching and satin stitch edge stitches to the font stitches.
- Change thread colour and stitch out the font.
- Reverse back through the design to the applique outline tack down stitching and continue from Step 7.