

Tips for Successful Stitching:

Stabilizers are very important when sewing or cutting out appliques. We will be working more with stabilizers in the upcoming projects but here are a few tips to get you started.

1. Use heavy weight tear away stabilizer.
2. Use temporary spray adhesive to attach the fabric to the stabilizer.
3. When working with Net Fills, put a layer of stiff washaway stabilizer on top of design after the fabric has been cut out to sew the Net Fill stitch on.
4. When cutting applique shapes out to then sew down to another piece of fabric you may want to use an applique adhesive such as “Web Magic” by Jenny Haskins. You first iron this on to the fabric you will be cutting out. Hoop the fabric – cut out the design – peel backing away from shapes – iron down to your project after the sewing machine stitches the placement line.
5. When hooping several layers of fabric to cut out multiple shapes at one time, use temporary spray adhesive to hold the layers together to prevent slippage.