

Hot Water Bottle Cover

This project was designed for the Pfaff 7570, but may be adapted for any embroidery machine.

The aim of this project is to provide some practice in putting words in the memory and spacing them correctly.

MATERIALS:

40 cm Polar Fleece

Stick-it All

Firm Tear-away

24 cm of 6mm Elastic

Fantasy Card No. 1

Erasable Pen

Rayon Embroidery Thread in colors of your choice

Construction Thread to match Polar Fleece

CONSTRUCTION:

1. Join pattern pieces together at the dotted lines.

2. Cut two pieces of polar fleece as per pattern. (You may like to do the embroidery first so that you can center the Teddy Bear and the Writing easily when you cut out the pattern pieces.)

3. Using Stick-it All on the hoop place one of the polar fleece pieces on top so that the Teddy Bear will be embroidered in the center of it and press down firmly so that the fleece is stuck to the Stick-it All. Place a piece of Tear-away under the hoop and sew out the Teddy Bear from the card. Tear the embroidery out carefully and patch the hole in the Stick-it All.

4. Find an empty memory and select alphabet from the card. We will use the first alphabet and reduce it to 17mm in size. Write HugMe without any spacing using capital letters for H and M and lower case for ug and e. Press Memory. Now do the spacing by using the arrows on the machine.

Press the lower blue arrow on the side of the machine and you get this

X=_>

Y=_<

Press the < sign until the arrow reaches the M. Press Okay. Press the arrow

By the > sign until the second arrow is on the e. Press Okay again. Please wait.

Now press the > sign again several times and you will see a space appearing between the two words. Press escape. The a is a bit far away from the H so repeat the above exercise until the first arrow is on a and the second is on e. Press the < to close it up a little. Again put the a nearer the M by following the same procedure. When you are happy with the arrangement press key 9 under the sewing machine. Turn the design 90° and press mono for the color.

5. I drew an oval shape around the Teddy with an erasable pen and sewed
Stitch no.50 Length 10 Width 5.0 around the oval.

6. Take the second piece of polar fleece. Into another memory write the word Goodnight following the previous instructions and embroider this in the center. Rule a box around it with the erasable pen and stitch along the lines with Stitch 01, length 3. Rule lines diagonally across the whole piece of fleece 1 inch apart and excluding the square in the centre. Sew along these lines with Stitch 0 1 as before.

7. Place the two pieces of polar fleece together right sides facing and stitch down the two sides and across the bottom. Turn right side out and fold down the top where indicated on the pattern. Stitch. This forms the casing for the elastic. Insert the elastic and your cover is complete. To insert the hot water bottle fold it over and it fits in quite easily.

For those of you who do not own a 7570, what's wrong with appliquéing a big teddy on the front of the cover and just doing the quilting on the back as per instructions. It would still make a nice cuddly hot water bottle cover.

Alternative Applique Pattern





