

IQ Designer ITH Mug Rug

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Use IQ Designer to design and make you very own Mug Rug In The Hoop!

Supply List:

Fabric:

- ¼ yard light colored fabric (background)- Cut (1) 9"x9" square
- ¼ yard fun fabric for the back piece-Cut (2) 6"x9" rectangles
- 9" batting piece OR Fusible Fleece
- No show mesh Stabilizer
- 9"x9" clear topper





Other:

- Hoop 8x8 OR Larger
- Matching thread (match to your backing fabric); Thread for focus embroidery
- 90/14 embroidery needle
- Scissors
- Point turner

Prep:

If using Fusible Fleece fuse to the wrong side of 9"x9" background piece.

Designing the Mug Rug:


1. Select IQ Designer  on the Home screen.
2. Select the Stamp Key  . Select the Rectangle , OK.
3. Select the Size Key  and change size to 4.75" x 6.75" by using the size keys. OK.




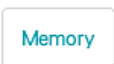
4. Select the Line Property settings . Select Running Stitch , next select a **green** color. OK. Select the bucket on the Line Property icon



. Tap directly on the rectangle line.

5. Next select Memory (or the pocket with the arrow going into it)  to save a copy of the design. This is important if you want to edit the design later or reuse.
6. Select Next, Preview (Destiny, Meridian, Altair), SET (Solaris).
7. You will now be in the Embroidery Edit screen.
8. Select the desired embroidery design. Change the design to desired size to fit into the Rectangle. Move the design to the left, but not to close the edge of the rectangle.





9. Select the Outline Key . Use the Plus button to move the line away from the design a couple of degrees. Select Memory , when you select this key this will save this outline into IQ Designer. OK.



10. Select ADD . Select IQ Designer . Select the Recall Key




. Select the previously saved Rectangle design.

11. Select the Stamp Key . Select the Outline Key . Select the outline of the embroidery design. OK.



12. Select the Fill Property settings . Select the Decorative Fill selection , select a decorative fill. OK. OK.

13. Select the Bucket on the Fills Property icon . Tap directly inside of the rectangle but outside of the outline.

14. Select NEXT, PREVIEW (Destiny, Altair, Meridian), SET. Now you will be in the Embroidery Screen and the Fill design will line up with the embroidery design. Select Embroidery .

Embroidering the Mug Rug

Prep: Hoop No Show Mesh in hoop. Center the 9"x9" background square on top of the No Show Mesh. Place hoop on the machine.



Step 1: Tackdown.



Step 2*: Embroidery design. (*Depending on which design you choose there may be one or more colors in this step)

Step 3: Fill stitching.



Before Color 3, lay the two back pieces over the rectangle with the folded edges towards the center making sure to overlap the folded edges $\frac{3}{4}$ " – 1". Next, lay Topper over the whole rectangle and use embroidery tape to hold in place.

A Bee's Tip: Topper has more than one use! In this project it is used to keep the embroidery foot from catching on the folds.





Step 4: Final tackdown.



Step 5: After tackdown remove the Mug Rug from the hoop. Remove the topper. Trim ¼" away from the stitch line, clip the curves.





Step 6: Turn right side out using the envelope style backing and using a point turner smooth out the edges.

Step 7: Press from the back side on a wool mat.

A Bee's Tip: Never press on top of embroidery thread as it can cause the thread to singe.



Step 8: Top stitch 1/8" around the edge to add a decorative look.



A Bee's Tip: To seal the opening you can hand stitch closed or use a double-sided sewing tape to seal.

NOTES:

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