

LARGE FRAME DESIGNS

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Supplies:

Sanded Twill cloth, duck cloth or 8 oz. denim bull drill cloth (to fit your hoop)

(Sanded Twill cloth - Walmart) (Duck Cloth - Joanns - Walmart - Hobby Lobby) (8 oz Denim Bull Drill - Hobby Lobby)

Pellon Stitch 'n Tear - stabilizer (or any medium weight tear away)

Vilene or Aqua Magic wash away stabilizer (1" bigger than the picture openings)

8" x 10" photo frame

1" or 1-1/4" wide purchased lace (1 yard per design)

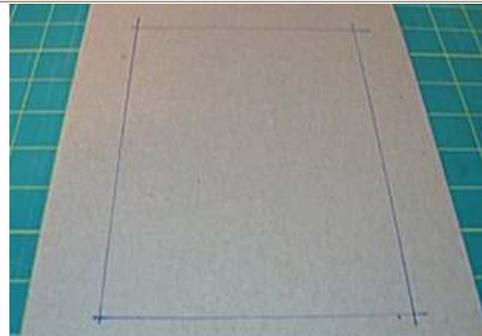
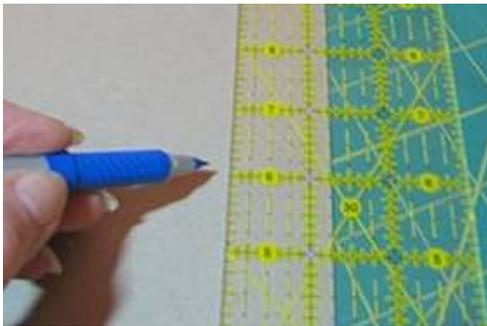
8" x 10" piece of cardboard (use cereal box cardboard or Hobby Lobby's thin cardboard 32"x 40" @ \$1.69)

Snap blade knife (Hobby Lobby carries an "Excel" Snap blade knife for \$1.49)

Glue stick (see step 10 for recommendations)

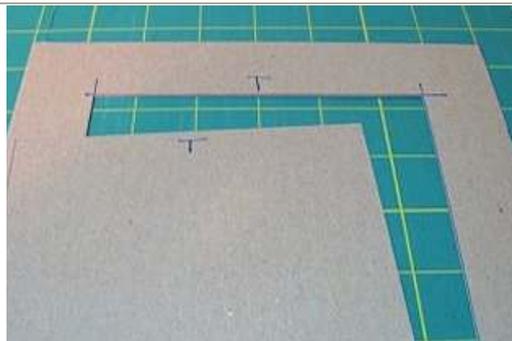
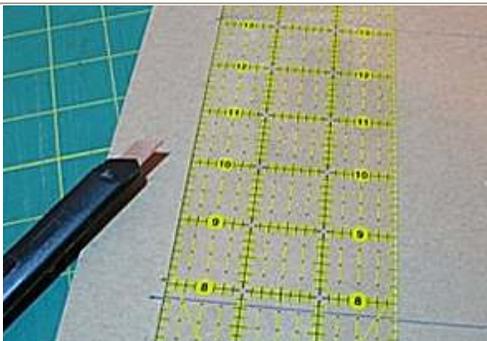
1. Follow steps 1-9 for making the frame designs here: [Frame Designs How To](#)

Then complete the project using the remaining instructions shown below.



1. Cut a piece of thin cardboard to 8x10 (use cardboard insert from a purchased 8x10 frame as a pattern)

2. Next, measure in from each side 1-1/4" & mark to form an inside border for a 1-1/4" border along all four edges.



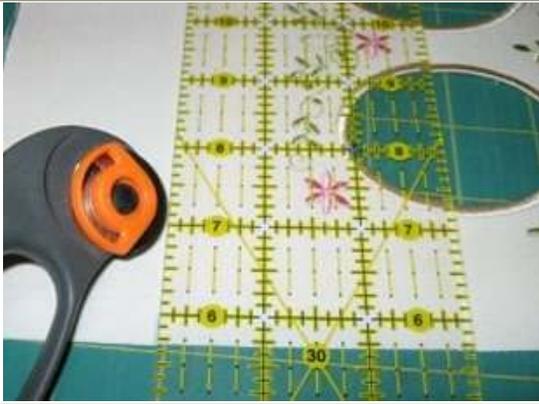
3. Cut along your lines using a snap blade razor knife so that the center piece of cardboard is cut away.

4. Mark the top with a "T" on both pieces to put the pieces back together correctly later.



5. Lay the cardboard border over the design centered both horizontally & vertically. The edges of the design and picture openings should be perfectly centered in the cardboard border.

6. With the design centered, mark the outer corners of the cardboard onto the fabric. This is a close up of how to mark the corners using the cardboard as your guide.



7. With a straight edge ruler and rotary cutter, trim the fabric using the marked corners as your guide. The fabric should now be the same size as the cardboard.



8. Next, turn the design over and mark lines on the stabilizer 1/2" inside the edges of the fabric.



9. Trim the stabilizer on the lines just drawn so that the tear away stabilizer is 1/2" smaller than the fabric along all four edges. You need at least 1/2" of the fabric showing to glue the design to the cardboard.



10. Use 3M Scotch Glue Stick (green label that says: Permanent adhesive, for paper, photos and fabric). Michael's Craft Store carries the 3M Scotch Glue stick. Hobby Lobby carries a similar glue stick - UHU Glue Stick (yellow label) that will work too.



11. Rub the glue along all four edges of the cardboard.



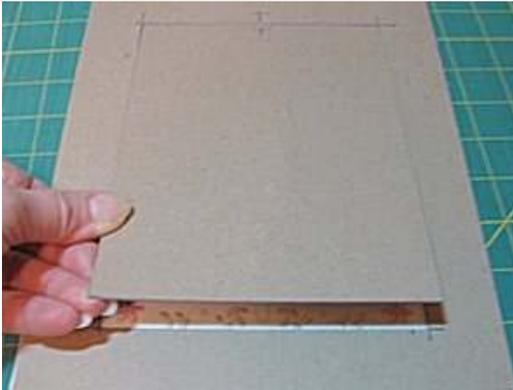
12. Place the design centered over the cardboard. Press the edges of the fabric into the glue until it is flat & even with the cardboard edges. (forgot to take a pic of this step!)



13. Next, cut two strips of lace 8" long & 2 strips 10" long. Rub more glue on the outer edges of the fabric and place the 8" strips on, then the 10" strips keeping the lace even with the outer edges of the cardboard.



14. This is a close up of how the lace should look after it has been glued in place.

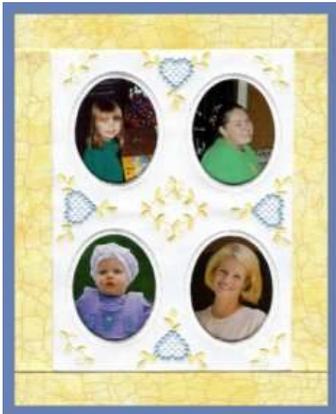


15. Tape your billfold size photos centered over the picture openings. Insert the inner piece of cardboard you cut away earlier and tape to hold the pictures in place.

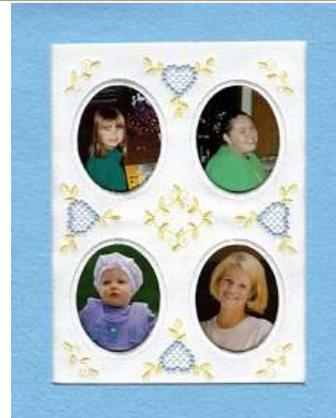


16. The design is now ready to be placed in a purchased standard 8x10 photo frame!

Other trimming ideas!



We used fabric instead of lace on this design. Just cut 2 strips of fabric 2.5" x 8" & 2 strips 2.5" x 10", fold in half, fuse together with stitch witchery and trim to 1" wide. Glue the 10" strips on first, then the 8" strips. Keep the fabric strip edges even with the edges of the cardboard.



We used Easy Felt on this one!! Just cut the Eazy felt 8x10 and then cut out the middle leaving a 1 inch border along each side. Or go to your local frame shop and have a regular mat board custom cut to fit for a more professional finished look.