

PURSE MEMO CASES
 (with "in the hoop" tab)
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Supplies:

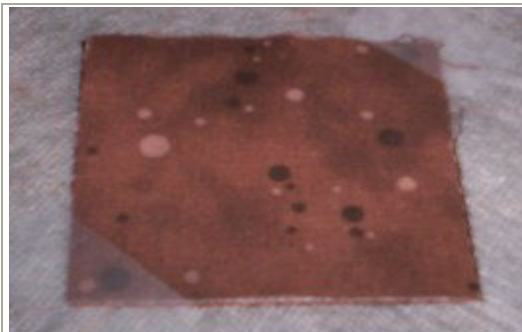
Vilene or aqua magic washaway stabilizer to fit your hoop
 2 pieces fabric cut to 6" x 8" (for case)
 2 pieces fabric 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" (for tab closure) - fuse medium weight interfacing to wrong side
 1 piece of fabric 5 1/2" x 8 (for pocket)
 2 pieces of eazy felt (or timtex) cut to 3 1/4" x 5 1/8"
 1 piece of thin quilt batting 3/4" x 5 1/8" (to place between the 2 pieces of eazy felt)
 1 piece of velcro 3/4" wide x 1 1/2" long
 3/4" wide Stitch witchery
 STARCH FABRIC UNTIL NICE & CRISP FOR EASIER TRIMMING!!

1st STEP: PREPARE INSIDE POCKET:

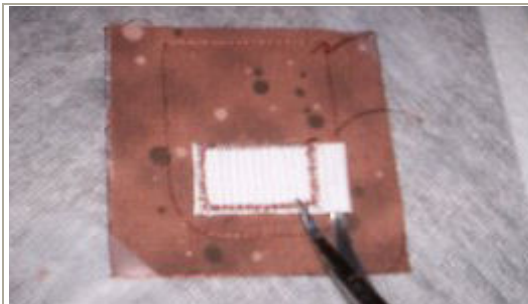


On pocket fabric - fold 1" over along an 8" side.
 Place stitch witchery inside fold & iron until fold is fused. Top stitch along fold.

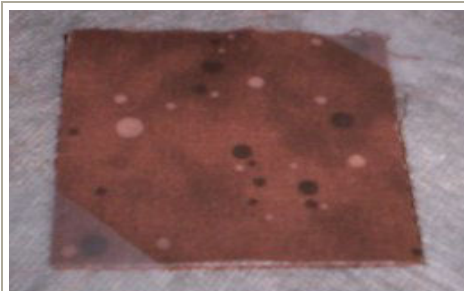
2nd STEP: TAB CLOSURE: Note: Use the same color thread in your bobbin as the first color in design to keep the final satin edge of the case the same color on both sides!



Tab 1 - Hoop vilene in hoop. Stitch fabric placement outline on stabilizer only. Remove hoop & flip over. Center fabric inside outline, tape in place. Put hoop on machine.



Tab 2 - Tacks fabric down, stitches velcro placement outline. Remove hoop & flip over. Center velcro (scratchy side up) over outline, tape in place. Next step tacks velcro down. (trim velcro close to stitches)



Tab 3 - Remove hoop, center fabric over outline. Tape in place, put hoop on machine. Next step tacks fabric down.



Tab 4 - Remove hoop, trim excess fabric close to outline on both sides of hoop. Put hoop on machine.

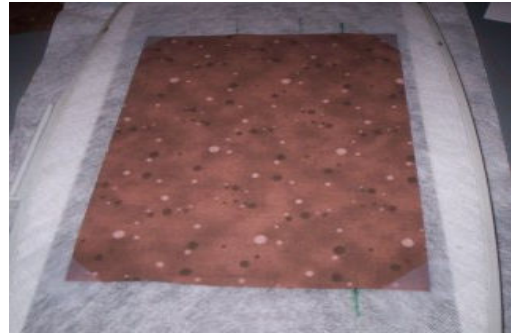


Tab 5 - Stitch final satin edge. Trim tab from stabilizer, rub wet rag along edge to dissolve remaining stabilizer. Let dry.

3RD STEP: MEMO CASE: Note: Use same thread in bobbin as the 1st color in design to keep the final satin stitched edge the same color on both sides of the case!



Case 1 - Stitch outline on stabilizer only. Pocket placement notches stitched at top/bottom & narrow rectangle stitched at top center for tab placement. Flip hoop over & extend all notches by marking 1" lines on the stabilizer.



Case 2 - With hoop still on back side – Center 6" x 8" fabric over the outline, tape in place at corners. Flip hoop to right side again.



Case 3 – With hoop on right side, center finished tab (velcro side DOWN) over narrow rectangle keeping bottom edge of tab even with bottom of narrow rectangle. Tape in place.



Case 4 - Next, center the 2 pieces of eazy felt inside outline keeping inside edges even with stitched center lines. Center strip of quilt batting between felt pieces.



Case 5 - Center fabric over felt/batting. Tape in place, put hoop on machine. Next step tacks fabric/ tab down & stitches small rectangle outline for velcro placement.



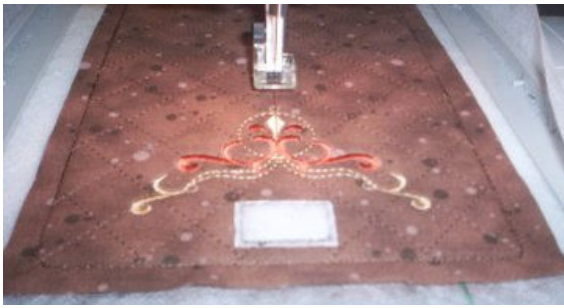
Case 6 - The next color stop stitches the quilted background (if no quilted background preferred you can skip this step)



Case 7 - Remove hoop, center fuzzy half of Velcro over rectangle outline & tape in place. Put hoop on machine.



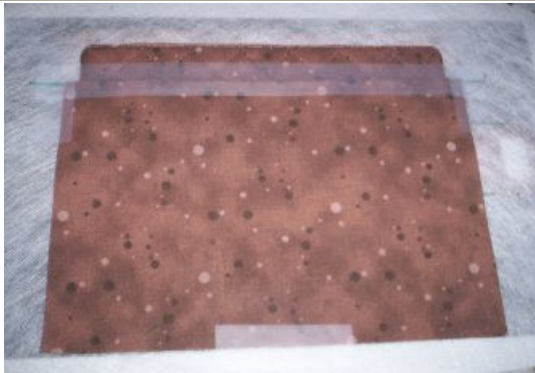
Case 8 - Next color stop tacks velcro down. Trim velcro close to stitches when finished.



Case 9 – Stitch embroidery design following the step by step instructions in the text files.



Case 10 - When design complete, flip hoop over & trim fabric close to outline stitches. Do not trim the fabric on front of hoop yet!



Case 11 - With hoop still on back side, place prepared pocket over outline keeping folded edge even with placement marks on stabilizer. Tape in place, put hoop on machine.



Case 12 – Tacks pocket fabric down.



Case 13 - Remove hoop & trim fabric/felt close to outline stitches on both sides of hoop. Take care to avoid cutting into the tab when trimming! Put hoop back on machine.



18. The last color stitches the final satin outline. When finished, remove hoop & flip over. Trim case from stabilizer and rub a warm wet rag along edge to dissolve any remaining stabilizer. Let dry.

Here are some mechanical pencils I found that are short enough to fit these memo cases!



Office Depot - 10 mechanical pencils - \$2.99. These are the perfect length for the cases. They are refillable!



Wal-Mart - 5 pack MINI mechanical pencils - \$1.29 A little shorter length but work nicely with the cases!