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Dear Embroidery Friend,

We had fun compiling this collection and know that you shall have too.

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You need:

- *3 x fabric (approx 6" x 8") x 3 (one of these we used a contrast color, but you are welcome to use the same fabric)*
- *1 x layer batting (approx 6" x 8") x 1*
- *Embroidery thread (see color chart below – we provide all thread colors for MARATHON RAYON 40WT)*
- *At www.easythreads.com you can download a trial version (or purchase) a user friendly conversion program for most makes of embroidery thread brands.*

- *We embroider on water-soluble stabilizer, as you can easily get rid of the whiskers which sometimes show*

on the edges. A Q-tip (ear bud) works great ☺ (Hoop 2 to 3 layers and embroider your design as set out below))

- *Your designs file available from <http://www.astitchahalf.com>*

TUTORIAL NAME: "In The Hoop" Eyeglass Case



FRONT SECTION

1. Hoop only the 2-3 layers water soluble stabilizer.



2. Stitch first “default stitch” – cut 1 x layer thin batting and 1 x layer fabric of choice (approx. 6” x 8”). Place the batting first in the hoop and on top of the batting add the layer of fabric. Use embroidery adhesive spray to keep all in place.



3. The next zigzag stitch will secure the fabric and batting in place.



4. Remove hoop and cut away ALL excess fabric.



5. Place hoop back in embroidery machine. The top satin stitching will be done now.



6. Embroider rest of the design (rose design) according to the color chart in your PDF download.



7. This is what your design should look like at this stage.



8. Turn hoop around (back side facing you)



9. Choose your contrast fabric and attach this with the "wrong" side towards you



10. Then add one layer of batting and on top of the batting attach the lining (now the "right" side should face you). We use embroidery adhesive spray to keep these in place while the stitching will secure all the layers. (Step indicated below)



11. After the back layers are secured with the next stitching, remove hoop and cut away the excess fabric.



12. Turn hoop around and also cut open the top section – the contrast fabric will show here. CAREFUL! Not to cut through the back layers.



13. Place hoop back in embroidery machine for the last satin outline to complete your project. Remember to use the same top and bobbin thread for a professional finish.



14. This is what your back section looks like. Remove design from hoop, cut away all excess water-soluble stabilizer.

TIP: If you see some white whiskers showing on the edges, use a damp Q-Tip (ear bud) and softly rub against all the edges as the water-soluble stabilizer will “disappear” 😊



15. Your “In-The-Hoop” Eyeglass Case is complete 😊



16. Dimensions when complete: 4.0" x 6.9"

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