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Making Outline In Cricut Design Space for HTV Fabric Applique

Video Tutorial: <https://youtu.be/V7zr2EvighM>

Materials:

Project Base: Tote Bag / Pillow Cover / Banner / Canvas.

Letter Fabric: For memory projects, pick clothing that your loved one wore, like baby clothes or plaid shirts. You can also just pick out fabrics that remind you of them. Select several different fabrics or only one. For best results fabrics should be thin, like a button-down shirt, T-shirt, or single layer of flannel.

Iron on Adhesive: “paper backed fusible web” like Heat n Bond or Pellon WonderUnder Look for medium or light weight. You don’t need Heavy Duty, but you can use it.

Heat Transfer Vinyl (HTV): Coordinating color

Tools

- Iron or Easy Press
- Scissors or a Cutting Machine, like a Cricut
 - Cricut: Fine Point or Rotary Blade
 - Cricut: Standard or Fabric Mat

Prepare Fabric & Base

1. Wash Fabric and Project Base. It will be easier for the iron-on adhesive to stick, if your fabric and base are clean and free of fabric softener.
2. Press smooth



Software Instructions

1. Open Cricut Design Space
2. Select New Project
3. Add a shape or word (text) to the canvas
4. Change the size of your object to that of your final project. You can make small changes later, but if you change the size drastically, I suggest redoing the outlines, so they are the width you desire.

Create outline

1. Select your entire object or word.
2. Press Offset.
3. Set distance .1 (first we make it bigger)
4. Set corner shape as desired, square or rounded.
5. Press Apply
6. Click on original object
7. Set distance to -.1 (then we make it smaller)
8. Set corner shape as desired, square or rounded.
9. Press Apply
10. Now you have 3 objects. The original, one smaller, one larger.
11. Hide the original object, for ease.
12. Select the smaller and larger objects and select Slice.
13. Those 2 objects will become 3.
14. Look through them to find the one that is an outline.
15. Trash the other two shapes.
16. Un-hide (show) the original object.
17. Check that the outline's inner edge is smaller than the original object, and the outer edge is larger than the original by changing the order of the layers.
18. Make it!
19. Then mirror your images on the mats



Material Set up

1. Bond your fabric to a double sided adhesive like Heat n Bond.
2. Mat your fabric bonded side up
3. Mat Heat Transfer Vinyl (HTV) shiny side up.
4. Set materials in Cricut Design Space accordingly.
5. Cut

Ironing Instructions

1. Weed both HTV and Fabric mats
2. Remove paper backing from fabric, if still there.
3. Place fabric within the HTV outlines, using the stickiness of the carrier sheet to hold the fabric in place.
4. Iron according to the HTV instructions, this is normally plenty long enough to bond the fabric too. Iron again from the back ensures adhesion. The HTV will seal the edges and be half on and half off of the objects.
5. Peel slowly and check all edges. Re-iron if needed.



Ta Da! Look what you made!

Show it off you all your friends.

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