

Let's Make Cork Coasters!

Supplies

- □ 120 x 180 mm Embroidery Hoop and Embroidery Sheet Guide
- ☐ 14/90 Machine Embroidery Needle
- Medium Tearaway Stabilizer
- ☐ Pencil, Ruler
- Scissors
- ☐ Craft Spray Baste/Fabric Adhesive Spray
- Scrap paper
- □ (2) 5 1/2" squares of Stitchable cork fabric
- Embroidery Thread(s)
- □ 5" Circle Template (see end of PDF)

Hooping

Cut a piece of medium weight tearaway stabilizer large enough for the embroidery hoop. Lay the stabilizer over the outer hoop and then press in the inner hoop over the stabilizer. Close the clamp to secure. Pull the stabilizer drum tight.

Registration Marking

Lay the plastic embroidery sheet placement guide that comes with the hoop into the inner hoop. Mark out the center point and lines using a pencil. Use a ruler to mark 2 3/4" from the center points, making a 5 1/2" square around the center.

Fabric Preparation

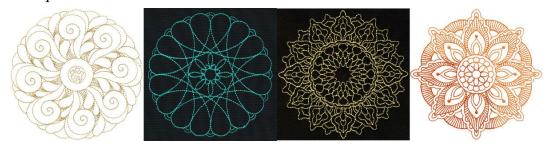
Over a piece of scrap paper, apply adhesive spray to the wrong side of a cork fabric square. Apply spray baste away from your machine and in a well-ventilated area for safety.



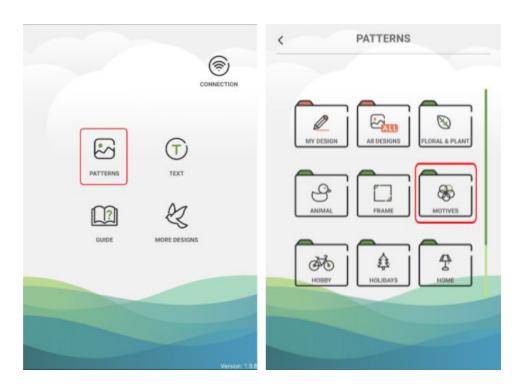
Place the sticky side of the cork onto the hooped tearaway stabilizer inside the marked square. Allow the adhesive to dry before installing the embroidery hoop in the machine.

Design

If you're following along on a machine other than the Sparrow X, select a design and arrange the design following your machine's editing software. Open, linework motifs between 80-100 mm work really well for this project. We have some examples below.

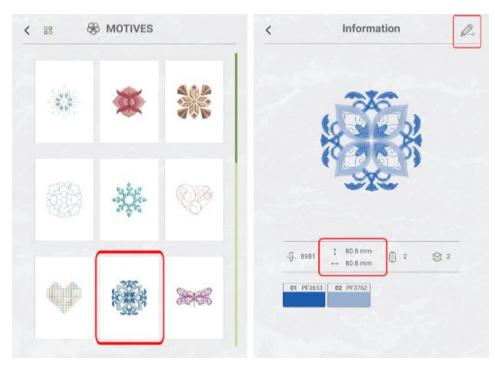


Open the EverSewn Pro app on your smart device.

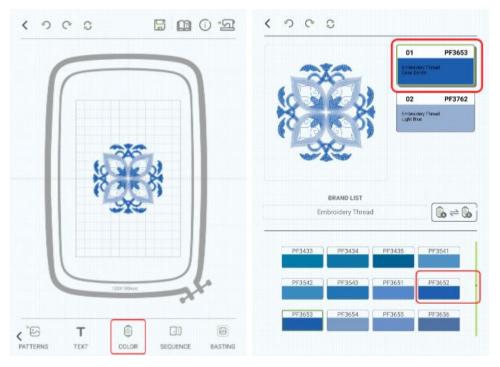


Select the Pattern tab, then the Motives tab.





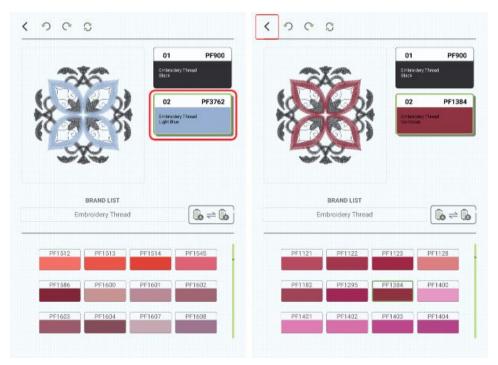
Select the design. The app takes you to an information page. Note the size: 80-100 mm (3-4") is a nice size for the design. Click the pencil button in the upper right corner to send it to the editing screen.



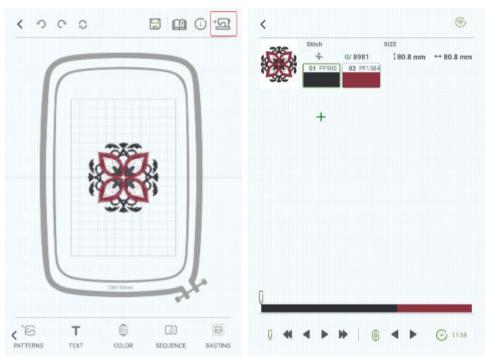
To change the color of the thread displayed, select the Color button in the bottom sliding menu. Select the thread you would like to change displayed in the upper right quadrant of the screen. Scroll through the

colors below and click the color you wish to select.





Repeat the previous step for all the thread colors. To return to the editing screen, select the back button at the top left corner of the screen.



Once you are satisfied, click the button in the upper right corner that looks like a sewing machine with an arrow pointing at it to send the design to the machine for stitching.



Stitchout

Thread the embroidery thread in the machine. Press the start button on the front of the machine to begin stitching the design. Follow any thread change prompts from the machine/app until the design is finished.

Coaster Preparation

Remove the cork square/stabilizer from the hoop. With a pencil and ruler, mark the center of the design both ways on the back. Cut out your 5" circle template, which you can download by clicking here. Fold the circle into quarters to create creases. Open up the circle and place it over the back of the cork square. Line up the creases in the circle to the marked center lines. Trace a circle around the template. Cut out the cork fabric into the circle.

Repeat on the other cork square (unstitched) to make 2 circles of cork fabric: the front and back circles.

Spray the back circle on the wrong side with spray baste. Press the wrong sides of the front and back circles together. It is okay for the circles not to perfectly match at this step.

Coaster Construction

Set up your EverSewn Sparrow X for sewing mode by removing the embroidery module and installing a sewing foot. A quarter inch foot is recommended but not required.

Sew around the circle approximately 1/4" from the coaster edge. Sew a couple stitches past where you started sewing.

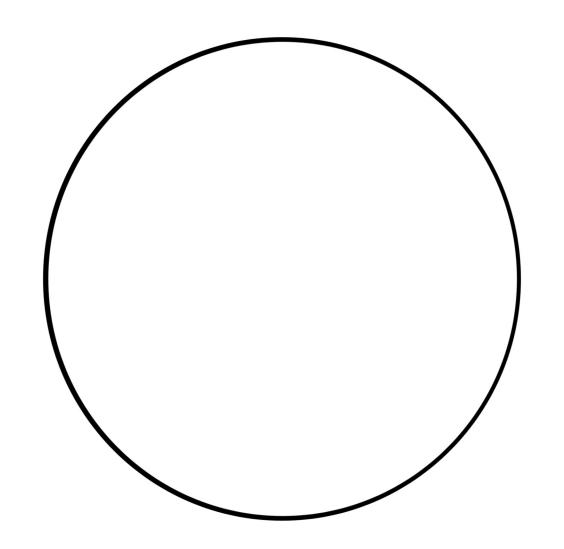
Pull the threads to the back to trim.

Trim around the coaster 1/8" from the sewn line to complete a coaster.



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