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DESIGNS

# Mini Tea Light Holders

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## 12735-01 Floral Mini Tea Light Holder FSL

Size Inches:	Size mm:	Stitch Count:
2.47 X 7.68 in.	62.74 X 195.07 mm	30,998 St.

■ 1. Single Color Design..... 3045



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## 12735-02 Seashell Mini Tea Light Holder FSL

Size Inches:	Size mm:	Stitch Count:
2.66 X 7.68 in.	67.56 X 195.07 mm	32,247 St.

■ 1. Single Color Design..... 0741



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### 12735-03 Leaves Mini Tea Light Holder FSL

Size Inches:                      Size mm:                      Stitch Count:  
 2.67 X 7.68 in.    67.82 X 195.07 mm    32,522 St.

■ 1. Single Color Design..... 1141



### 12735-04 Snowflake Mini Tea Light Holder FSL

Size Inches:                      Size mm:                      Stitch Count:  
 2.59 X 7.67 in.    65.79 X 194.82 mm    32,968 St.

■ 1. Single Color Design..... 3730



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### 12735-05 Crown Mini Tea Light Holder FSL

Size Inches:	Size mm:	Stitch Count:
<b>2.68 X 7.69 in.</b>	<b>68.07 X 195.33 mm</b>	<b>29,589 St.</b>

1. Single Color Design..... 0015



### 12735-06 Butterfly Mini Tea Light Holder FSL

Size Inches:	Size mm:	Stitch Count:
<b>2.66 X 7.67 in.</b>	<b>67.56 X 194.82 mm</b>	<b>32,756 St.</b>

1. Single Color Design..... 2250



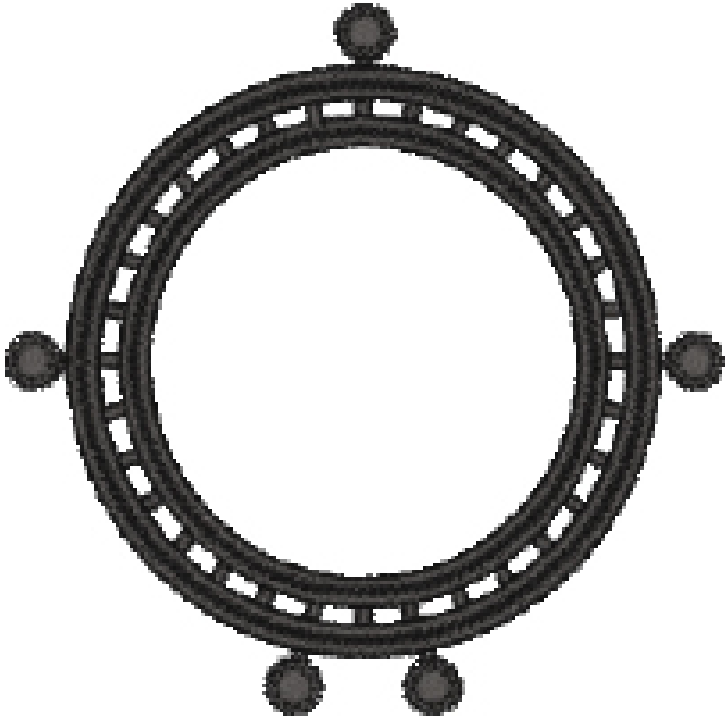
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## 12735-07 Mini Tea Light Holder Base FSL

Size Inches:	Size mm:	Stitch Count:
2.85 X 2.81 in.	72.39 X 71.37 mm	6,208 St.

■ 1. Single Color Design..... 0020



# COLLECTION SUPPLIES



## Stabilizers

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- OESD AquaMesh
- OESD BadgeMaster

## Notions & Tools

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- 80/12 Embroidery Ballpoint Titanium needle for extended needle life
- OESD Alligator Clamps (recommended)
- OESD Button Clips (recommended)
- OESD Perfect Point and Press Tool (optional)

## Isacord Thread Colors

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- As desired
- Match bobbin thread to top thread

**\*Disclaimer: Instruction uses designs not included in this collection.**

# General Freestanding Lace Guide



## Stabilizer

- OESD AquaMesh
- OESD BadgeMaster

## Notions/Tools

- 80/12 Embroidery Ballpoint Titanium needle for extended needle life
- OESD Alligator Clamps
- OESD Button Clips
- OESD Perfect Point and Press Tool

## Isacord Thread Colors

- All OESD designs are digitized with Isacord 40 wt. polyester thread as the top thread and in the bobbin.
- Refer to the thread chart for color specifications.
- Match bobbin thread color to the top thread

## Instructions

### Step 1 - Hoop

For FSL structures, hoop one layer of OESD AquaMesh and one layer of OESD BadgeMaster. BadgeMaster contains more starch so, combined with the AquaMesh, the lace more rigid. For other FSL, where a softer lace is desired, hoop two layers of AquaMesh.

### Step 2 - Embroider

Stitch the design per the thread chart with matching thread in the bobbin at each color change. When complete, remove from the hoop and trim away excess stabilizer about 1/4"-1/2" from the stitching.

### Step 3 - Rinse

Rinse remaining stabilizer out in warm running water. For stiffer lace and FSL structures, DO NOT rinse away all of the stabilizer. The lace should be just slightly tacky. For softer lace, rinse until all traces of the stabilizer is removed.

### Step 4 - Dry

Lay right side down flat on a non-stick surface, such as a cookie rack, parchment paper or Teflon sheet. This minimizes the tendency for the lace to curl. Let the pieces dry completely before proceeding with any assembly.

### Step 5 - Press

Once completely dry, press right side down on a OESD Perfect Embroidery Press Cloth.

### Step 6 - Assemble Structure

Note: Specific assembly instructions for a design/collection may be found in the thread chart pdf following the individual design color charts.

Lace must be COMPLETELY DRY before assembly. Wetting the buttonettes or eyelets to assemble is not recommended and may result in them stretching and coming "unbuttoned" when dry.

Use a pair of OESD Alligator Clamps to insert the buttonettes into the eyelets. Insert the tip of the OESD Alligator Clamps into the eyelet, grasp the buttonette and pull through the eyelet. Alternatively, use a stiletto or tweezers to push the buttonette through the eyelet.

## Helpful Tips

### Limp Lace

If the design is not stiff enough, press the lace pieces on the wrong side while applying spray starch. After ironing, spray again with starch and allow to dry completely. This will stiffen the lace pieces nicely and aid in construction. Or easily re-stiffen by diluting some stabilizer scraps in water (or use liquid starch) and dipping the item in the solution. Lay flat to dry.

### Eyelets Too Small

If any of the eyelets appear closed or too small to penetrate with Alligator Clamps, they may be stretched by inserting the small end of the OESD Perfect Point and Press Tool into the eyelet opening and stretching it open wide enough to accommodate the OESD Alligator Clamps.

### Button Clips

During the assembly process, some structures pull on buttonettes that have already been inserted and could pull them out altogether. Putting a Button Clip on the assembled buttonette will keep it in position during the assembly process. Remove the Button Clips when the assembly is complete.

### Alternative Construction Option

In some cases, the buttonettes may be pulled to the inside of a project, instead of being visible on the outside. Insert the OESD Alligator Clamps through the eyelet from the wrong, or inside, of the lace and grasp the corresponding buttonette. Pull the buttonette to the wrong side of the lace.

Pulling the buttonettes to the inside may cause stress on the ones already done. Button clips may be place on the completed buttonette(s) to prevent them from pulling out of the eyelet.

# EMBROIDERY



## STEP 1

- Hoop one layer of OESD AquaMesh and one layer of OESD BadgeMaster.
- Attach the hoop to the machine.
- Load the tea light holder design.
- Design used for demonstration purpose is 12654-03 Snowflake Tea Light Holder FSL but directions are applicable to all freestanding lace tea light holders.



## STEP 2

- Stitch the design per the thread chart with matching thread in the bobbin at each color change.



## STEP 3

- Remove the hoop from the machine and the design from the hoop.
- Trim excess stabilizer 1/4"-1/2" from the design.

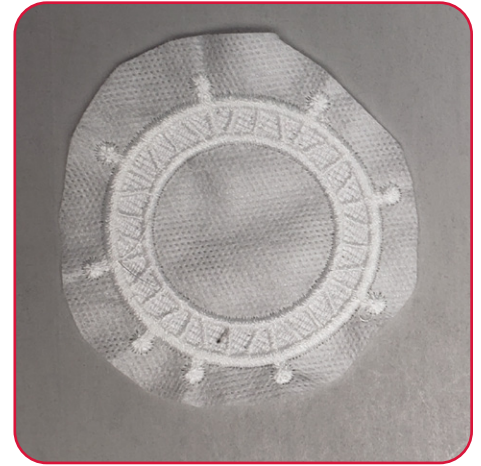


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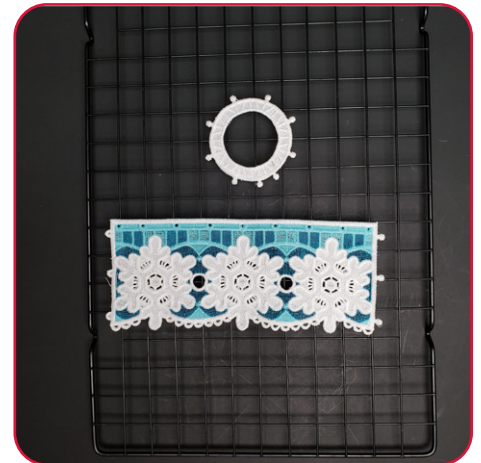
## STEP 4

- Load the tea light holder base design.
- Design used for demonstration purpose is 12654-07 Tea Light Holder Base FSL but directions are applicable to all freestanding lace tea light holders.
- Select a coordinating thread color and match the bobbin color.
- Repeat Steps 1 through 3.



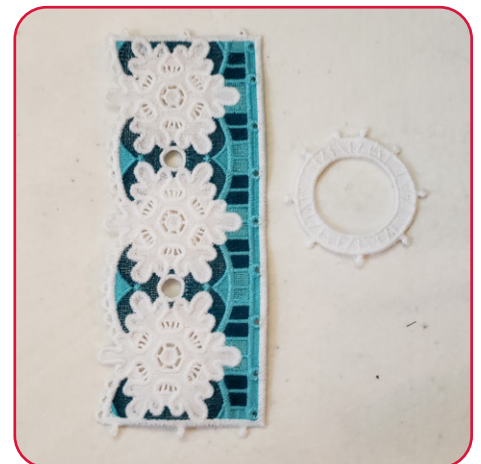
## STEP 5

- Rinse remaining stabilizer out in warm running water.
- DO NOT rinse away all of the stabilizer for a "stiffer" lace. The lace should be just slightly tacky.
- Lay right side down flat on a non-stick surface, such as a cookie rack, parchment paper or Teflon sheet. This minimizes the tendency for the lace to curl.
- Let the pieces dry completely before proceeding.



## STEP 6

- Once completely dry, press right side down on a Perfect Embroidery Press Cloth.

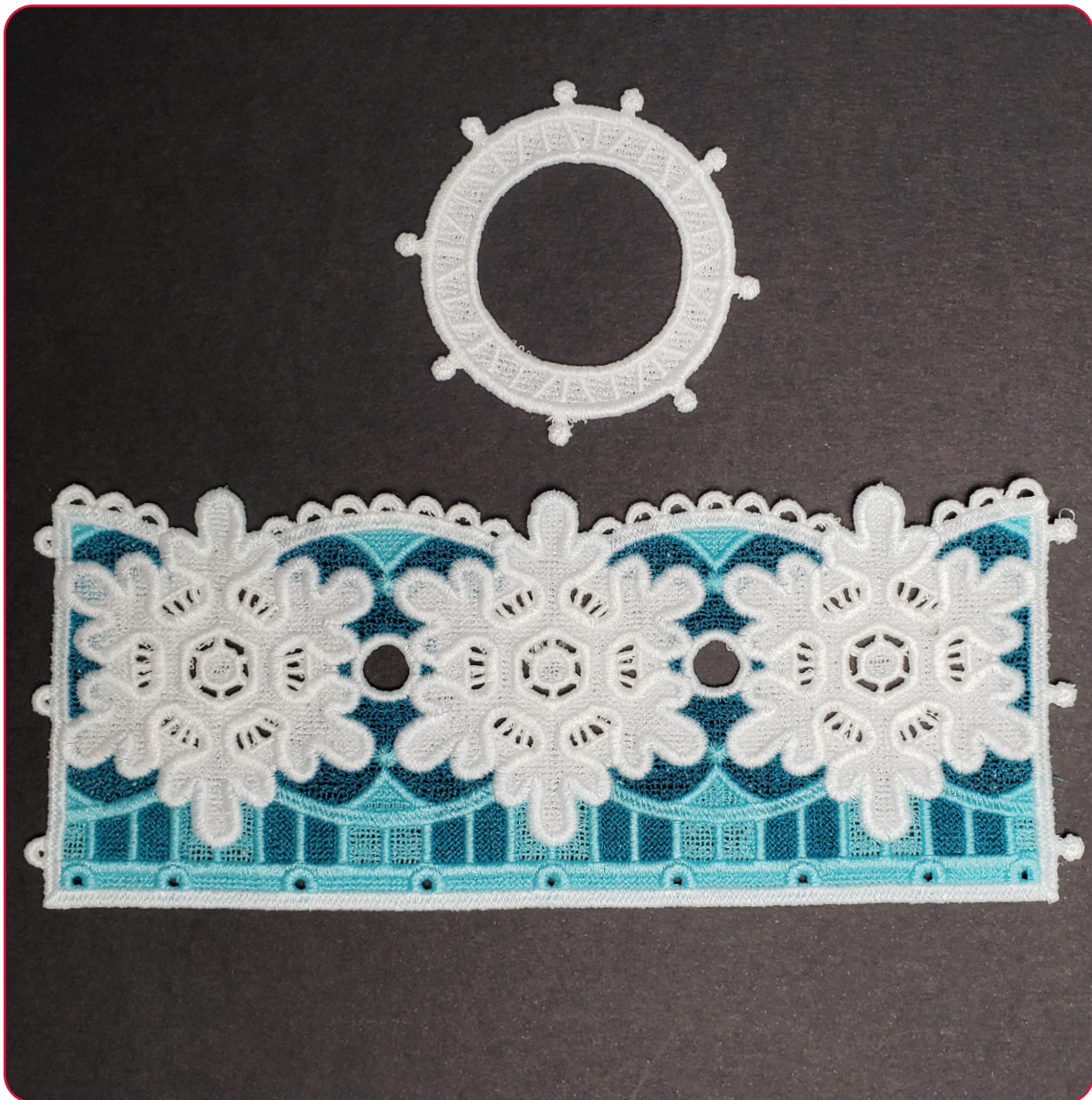


# ASSEMBLY



## NOTES

- If item is not stiff enough to work with, press the lace pieces on the wrong side while applying spray starch. After ironing, spray again with starch and allow to dry completely. This will stiffen the lace pieces nicely and aid in construction. Or easily re-stiffen by diluting some stabilizer scraps in water (or liquid starch) and dipping the item in the solution. Lay flat to dry.
- Lace must be COMPLETELY DRY before assembly. Wetting the buttonettes or eyelets to assemble is not recommended and may result in them stretching and coming “unbuttoned” when dry.
- Use a pair of OESD Alligator Clamps to insert the buttonettes into the eyelets.
- Insert the tip of the OESD Alligator Clamps into the eyelet, grasp the buttonette and pull through the eyelet. Alternatively, use a stiletto or tweezers to push the buttonette through the eyelet.



# ASSEMBLY



## STEP 1

- If any of the eyelets appear closed or too small to penetrate with the Alligator Clamps, they may be stretched slightly by inserting the small ball of the Perfect Point and Press Tool, or a stiletto, into the eyelet opening and stretching it open wide enough to accommodate the OESD Alligator Clamps.



## STEP 2

- Curve the tea light holder so that the eyelet side and the buttonette side are adjacent.
- From the right side, Insert the OESD Alligator Clamps into one of the eyelets up to where the tip can open.
- Grasp the corresponding buttonette and pull through the eyelet opening.



## STEP 3

- Repeat for the other two buttonettes.

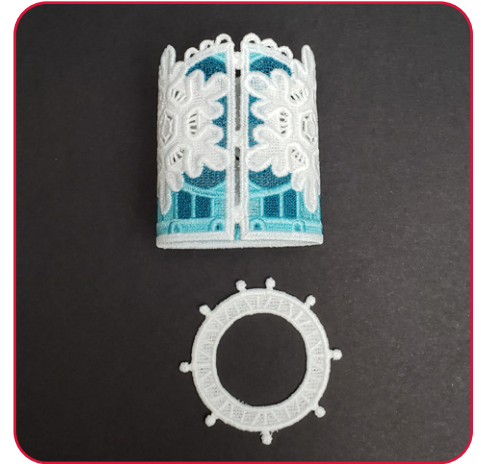


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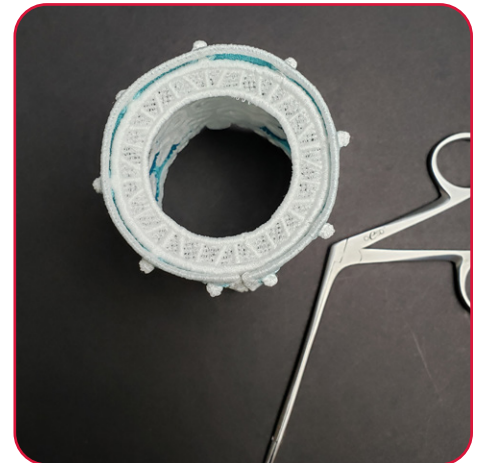
## STEP 4

- Attach the base buttonettes in the same manner. The two buttonettes closest to each other go on either side of the opening on the back of the tea light.



## STEP 5

- Pull the remainder of the tea light base buttonettes through the corresponding holes on the tea light holder.



## STEP 6

- Insert tea light or pixie lights to illuminate.



# ALTERNATE ASSEMBLY



## NOTES

- In some cases, the buttonettes may be pulled to the inside of a project, instead of being visible on the outside. This method also helps to maintain a rounded shape.
- This option replaces Assembly Step 2 in the instructions above.

## STEP 1

- Insert the OESD Alligator Clamps through the eyelet from the wrong or inside of the tea light holder and grasp the corresponding buttonette. Pull the buttonette into the inside of the cylinder as shown.



## STEP 2

- Pulling the buttonettes to the inside may cause stress on the ones already done. Button clips may be placed on the completed buttonette(s) to prevent them from pulling out of the eyelet.



# ALTERNATE ASSEMBLY



## STEP 3

- Repeat for all three buttonettes.
- Continue with Assembly Step 3.

