







Isacord Thread Colors

0010 Silky White

0020 Black

0504 Mimosa

1055 Bark

1310 Hunter Orange

1902 Poinsettia

1912 Winterberry

4174 Charcoal

5510 Emerald

5542 Garden Moss

5643 Green Dust

5833 Limabean

Note: One spool of 1000 meter thread is adequate for the project unless otherwise noted.

Stabilizers

- OESD AquaMesh WashAway
- OESD BadgeMaster WashAway
- OESD StabilStick CutAway
- OESD Fiber Form
- OESD Applique Fuse and Fix

Fabrics/Textiles

- Red Felt
 - (2) 5" x 8" 12953-01
 - (2) 2 ½" x 9" 12953-02
- Brown Quilter's Cotton
 (2) 5" x 8 ½" 12953-03

Notions & Tools

- OESD Alligator Clamps
- OESD Button Clips
- OESD Expert Embroidery Tape TearAway
- OESD Expert Embroidery Tape WashAway
- OESD Perfect Punch Tool
- OESD MiniMAT

- OESD Perfect Embroidery Press Cloth
- OESD Grippy GRID
- Embroidery Needle Sharp 75/11 (FSA)
- Embroidery Needle Ballpoint 80/12 (FSL)

Isacord Thread Colors

- Per the thread chart
- · Match bobbin thread to top thread







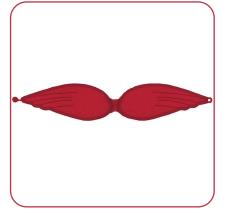
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12953-01



Requires 1 Design

12953-02



Requires 1 Design





Requires 1 Design

12953-04



Requires 1 Design



Notes

The freestanding applique instructions, included in the collection, are general instructions. For demonstration purposes, a sample design that best demonstrates the technique is shown. Fabric and thread requirements will vary by design, but the general technique is the same. All designs are stitched with matching thread, top and bobbin.

Note: Some thread colors in instructions have been changed or digitally enhanced for better visibility.

- Print the mirrored version of the templates (at 100% scale or 1:1 ratio) onto the paper side of Applique Fuse and Fix.
- Cut approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ " $\frac{1}{2}$ " outside the printed applique templates.







STEP 2

- Cut the fiber Form 1/4"-1/2" larger than the applique templates.
- Fuse the trimmed templates to the back of the Fiber Form with the paper side of the printed template up. Hold the iron on the template for 10-15 seconds for a secure fuse.





- Trim the Fiber Form on the edge of the black outline.
- Set aside.

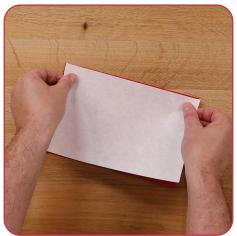




STEP 4

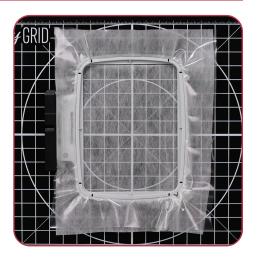
- Adhere one layer of StabilStick CutAway to the wrong side of all applique fabrics, to provide stiffness to the finished structure.
- Cut the prepared applique fabrics 1/4"-1/2" larger than the templates that are included at the end of the instructions.





STEP 5

 Hoop one layer of AquaMesh and one layer of BadgeMaster for all designs.





STEP 6

- · Load selected design into the machine.
- Example design is 12953-01.
- Thread the machine per the thread chart.
- · Place the hoop on the machine.
- Stitch Machine Step 1, Fiber Form/Front and Back Felt Placement Stitch.



- Remove the hoop from the machine, but NOT the project from the hoop.
- · Place the hoop on a flat surface.
- On the back of the Fiber Form, score and remove the paper backing to reveal the adhesive surface.
- Place the Fiber Form within the placement stitching.
- Finger press to secure.







STEP 8

- Completely cover the Fiber Form and placement stitch with the prepared applique fabric.
- Tape in place to secure.



STEP 9

- Turn the hoop over and place the prepared applique fabric right side up, completely covering the design.
- · Carefully tape to secure.
- **Tip:** Avoid pushing too hard on the stabilizer to prevent it from dislodging from the hoop.



- · Return the hoop to the machine.
- Stitch Machine Step 2, Cut Line and Tackdown.





STEP 11

- Remove the hoop from the machine, but NOT the project from the hoop.
- Place the hoop on a flat surface.
- Trim the excess fabric as close to the cut line stitching as possible.
- **Note:** If the outermost stitches (cut line) are cut, the inner stitches (tackdown) will hold the applique in place.
- **Tip:** If the stabilizer is cut or a hole is created while trimming the fabric, use OESD Expert Embroidery Tape WashAway as a patch.



STEP 12

 Turn the hoop over and trim the excess fabric as close to the cut line as possible.



- Return the hoop to the machine and stitch the remaining steps per the thread chart.
- Match the bobbin thread to the upper thread.





STEP 14

• When the design is complete, remove the project from the hoop and trim the stabilizer 1/4" - 1/2" outside the design.



STEP 15

- Rinse in warm running water until the design is only slightly tacky.
- Place right side down on a non-stick surface to dry. Parchment paper or a cooling rack will prevent curling. Dry completely.
- Once dry, press right side down on a Perfect Embroidery Press Cloth.



- Before assembly, use a craft knife to cut through all the layers of the twig slots on the Branch & Twigs FSA (12953-03).
- Use the OESD MiniMAT and Punch Tool with the 3mm attachment to create the eyelet indicated in the diagram.
- **Tip:** Take care to not cut the satin stitching.
- Reference the Punch Tool Guide on page 16.





STEP 17

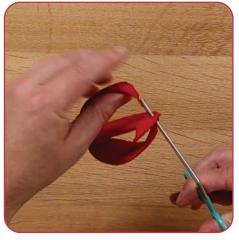
 Slide the lace wing hinge into the wing slot on the Cardinal Body FSA (12953-01).





- Wrap the wings backward and match the eyelets of the Cardinal Body FSA (12953-01) and the Cardinal Wings FSA (12953-02) to the buttonette of the Cardinal Wings FSA (12953-02).
- Use Alligator Clamps to pull the buttonette through the eyelets.

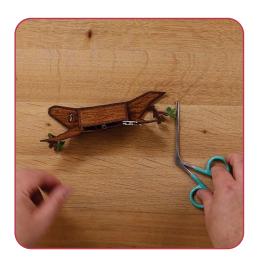






STEP 19

- Match the buttonettes to the eyelets of the Branch & Twigs FSA (12953-03).
- Pull each buttonette through the corresponding eyelet, using button clips to temporarily hold them in place, as needed.





STEP 20

• Insert the locking tabs of the Twigs FSL (12953-04) into the twig slots on the Branch & Twigs FSA (12953-03).







- Insert the assembled cardinal into the cardinal slot on the Branch & Twigs FSA (12953-03).
- The project is complete. Enjoy!





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 is 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 are removed.

Step 4 - Dry

Lay right side down flat on a nonstick surface, such as a cooling 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 restiffen 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.

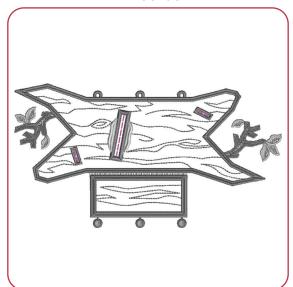
Pulling the buttonettes to the inside may cause stress on the ones already done. Button clips may be placed on the completed buttonette(s) to prevent them from pulling out of the eyelet during construction.







12953-03



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= 4 MM

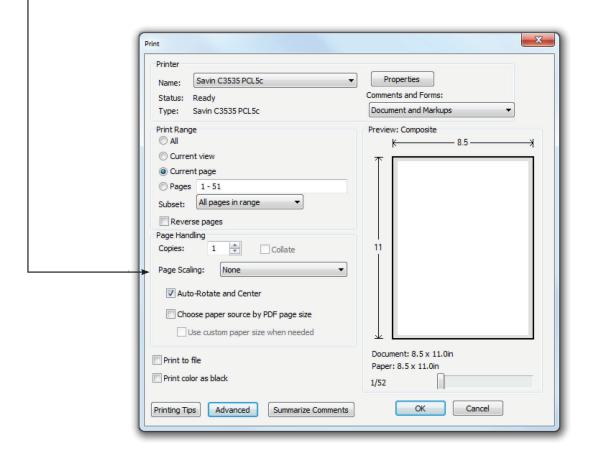
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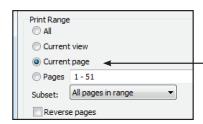
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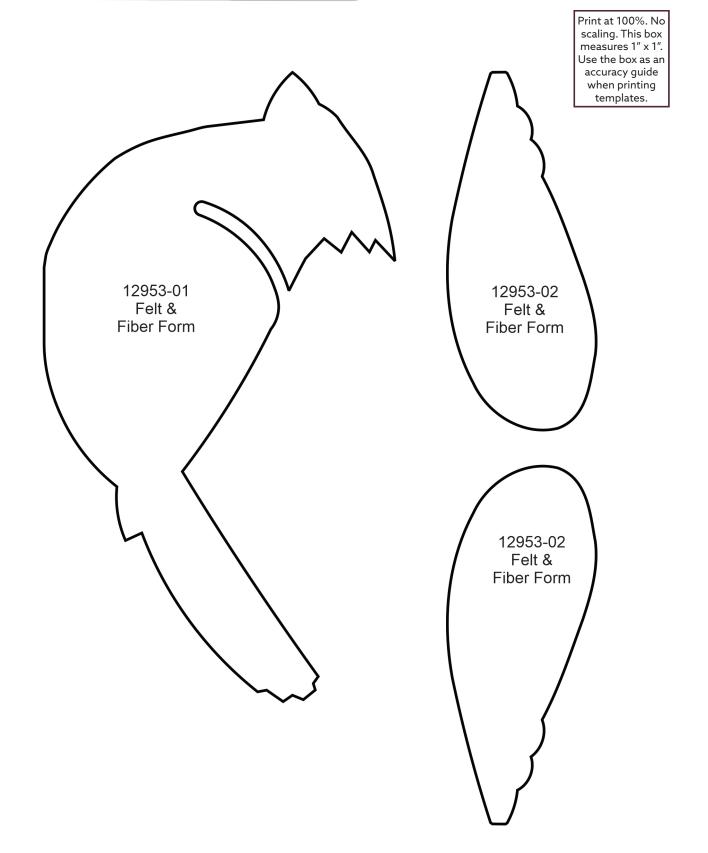
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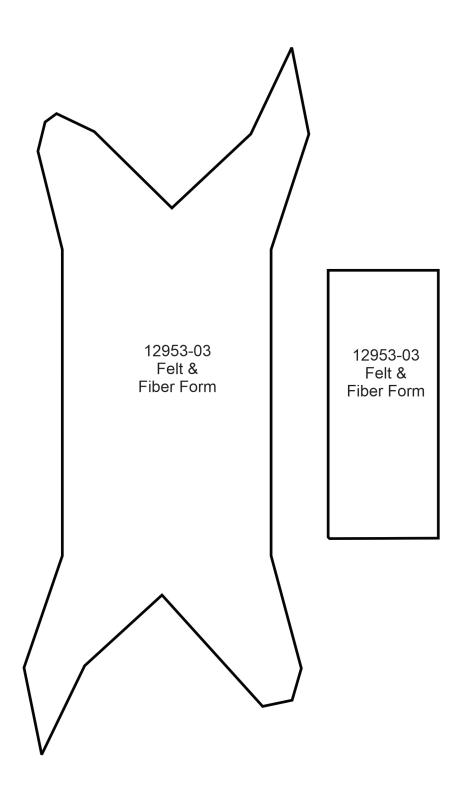




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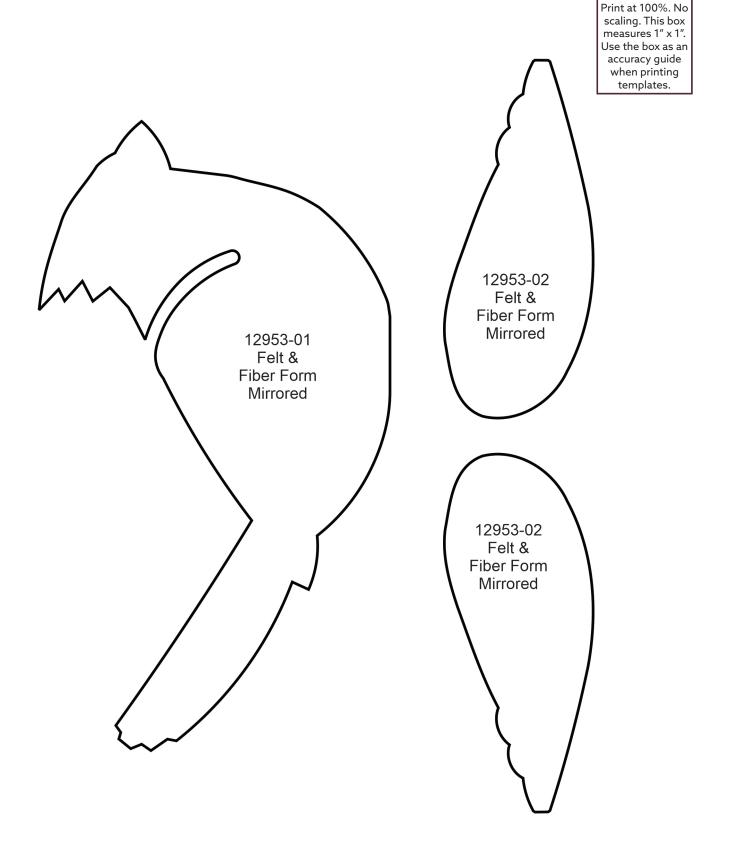


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