



# Machine Embroidery - Applique Using Frames

## Step by Step *Conversation Hearts* for Baby Lock Embroidery Machines

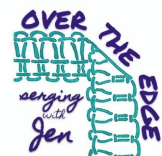
### Create Conversation Heart Applique Design for 4" x 4" Hoop

1. Touch the Embroidery Edit Key from the main menu if your machine has both an Embroidery and Embroidery Edit menu, otherwise skip to step 2.
2. Touch the Frames Key. Select the heart shape and then choose the straight stitch heart design from the frame patterns. Touch the Set Key.
3. Touch the Add Key to add another design.
4. Touch the Frames Key. Select the heart shape and again choose the straight stitch heart design from the frame patterns. Touch the Set Key.
5. Touch the Add Key to add another design.
6. Touch the Frames Key. Select the heart shape and then choose the satin stitch heart design from the frame patterns. Touch the Set Key.
7. With the satin stitch heart frame still selected on screen, select the Size Key. Increase the size of the satin stitch heart frame by one click, using the "four arrows facing out" icon key. Select the Close Key.
8. Touch the Add Key to add another design.
9. Touch the Fonts Key. Select the desired font. Select the first letter of your desired word. Then select the "M" for medium on the "LMS" button, or size as desired. All the additional letters will be brought in at that size automatically. Select the rest of your letters. Touch the Set Key.
10. Adjust the position of the word(s) within the heart if needed, using the move arrow keys.
11. Optional - Change the on screen thread colors of each part of the design. Use the Thread Palette Key to access the color palette. Use the +/- Spool Icons to select a part of the design and select a color chip to change its color. Select the Close Key when finished.
12. Touch the Embroidery Key.
13. Touch the Memory Key to save the design you created to the memory pocket of your machine, a USB stick, or to a computer depending on your machine.



### Stitch Out Conversation Heart Applique

1. Hoop your background fabric and stabilizer as desired.
2. There are four parts to this applique embroidery design. The first straight stitch heart shape is the placement line for the applique fabric. The second straight stitch heart shape is the tack down line for the applique fabric. The third heart shape is the satin stitch that covers the raw edges of the applique fabric. The fourth and last part of the design is the word(s).
3. Choose your desired thread color for the satin stitch heart shape and load onto your machine. This same thread color will be used for the first three steps - the placement line, tack down line and satin stitch applique.
4. Stitch the placement line.
5. Position a piece of applique fabric over the placement line. Use embroidery tape to secure applique fabric.
6. Stitch the tack down line.
7. Carefully remove the hoop from the machine, but **do not** remove fabric from the hoop. Trim the applique fabric close to the tack down line. Slide the hoop back on the machine.
8. Stitch out the satin stitch heart shape.
9. Change the thread color and stitch out the word(s).
10. Remove fabric from the hoop. Applique is complete.



### General Notes

- Can resize the frames as desired, but be sure to make them all the same size. You can make the final satin stitch frame slightly larger if needed to cover the raw edges of the applique fabric.
- Keep the frames on the center of the design page as you create them. You want all the frames to remain stacked on top of one another.

# Conversation Heart Mug Rug

## Supplies

- Baby Lock Sewing & Embroidery Machine
- 4"x4" hoop or larger
- White fabric for background, 8"x8" minimum or as needed to fit your hoop
- Pink fabric for applique and accent strip, 4" square and a 1.5"x6" accent strip
- Polka dot fabric for backing 7"x10", binding 2.5"x42" and accent strips 2 - 1.5"x6"
- Machine embroidery thread for applique and decorative stitching
- All purpose sewing thread for construction
- Stabilizer, mesh fusible cut away and tear away
- Batting, 7"x 10" piece
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## Instructions

1. Embroider applique heart onto background fabric per Applique Using Frames instructions\*.
2. Align the heart applique on an angle or as desired and trim heart block to 6"x6".
3. Using ¼" seams, sew the three 1.5"x6" accent strips to the right side of the applique block, placing the pink fabric in the middle of the strips.
4. Next, place a piece of tear away stabilizer under the pink strip and stitch a decorative stitch down the center of the pink strip as desired.
5. Layer backing, batting and top to create a quilt sandwich. Stitch in the ditch between the accent strips, stitch a large chevron pattern in the polka dot strips, echo quilt around the heart applique, or quilt as desired.
6. Trim mug rug to 6"x9".
7. Bind mug rug as desired using 2.5"x42" strip of fabric.
8. Enjoy your mug rug!

\*Note: If you don't have an embroidery machine you can create your own conversation heart applique using a standard sewing machine or stitched by hand.

