

Fabric Embroidery Hoops Tutorial

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I love to create! And I especially love simple, quick projects. If you're the same way, you've got to try this project. It's fun, simple and anyone can do it! And once you understand the basics you can embellish your embroidery hoop to fit your home's décor.

Materials List:

- Wooden Embroidery Hoops in all different sizes
- A square of fabric. Make sure it is a couple inches wider than your hoop. I used fabric from Riley Blake's new fabric collections being released this month.
- Basic Elmer's school glue or Fabric Tac glue (any glue will work)

- Wood Stain. I used Minwax's Red Mahogany stain.
- An old cloth to stain with

Fabric Embroidery Hoops HOW-TO

First I stained my embroidery hoops. You don't have to do this step, but the darker wood goes well with the dark wood crib in our nursery.



To Stain your hoops:

Dab your cloth in stain. Rub the stain on the outer portion of your embroidery hoop. You don't want to stain the inner wooden portion of your embroidery hoop. You'll understand why in just a second.



Here is the hoop completely stained. Once stained, make sure to wipe off any stain that got onto the top metal portion of your hoop. Once it's dry it's harder to get it off. Leave hoops

to dry for 24 hours.



Now you're ready to place your fabric in your embroidery hoop. Make sure to pull it tight.



Also, if you are making a collection of embroidery hoops, you'll want to have the metal hangers to face the same directions...details, details!Also, if you are making a collection of embroidery hoops, you'll want to have the metal hangers to face the same directions...details, details!



Once you have the fabric where you want it, turn the hoop over and trim your fabric to be about 2" wider than your hoop.







Now you're ready to glue the fabric to the inside of your hoop. Run a string of glue to the inside and of your hoop.



With your finger press the fabric into the glue. Hold each section for a few seconds and move onto the next section, until the fabric is glued all the way around the hoop.

It should look like this when it's done:



If you want to add embroidery or embellishments, do it before you glue the fabric to the hoop. That way you're able to shift the fabric where it needs to be.

I embroidered "hooray" to this hoop and added some flowers for a bit of embellishment and texture.



