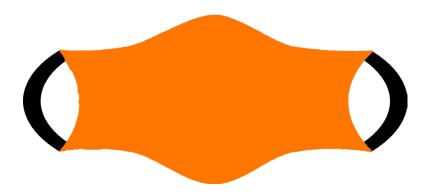


HOW TO EMBROIDER YOUR OWN FACE MASKS

As a company that devotes itself to educating its customers and providing resources for the embroidery community, we've put together these simple step-by-step instructions to help you make your own custom face mask.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Face mask embroidery design
- Tape
- Scissors
- Snips
- Tape measure
- Elastic cord for the straps of the mask
- Lighter
- Fabric
- One sheet of tearaway backing



SIZES

Adult Size

Width – 10.24 inches Height – 5.75 inches **Teen Size**

Width - 8.24 inches Height - 4.44 Inches **Child Size**

Width - 6.24 inches Height - 3.15 inches

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STEP 1



Hoop the one sheet of tearaway backing and place it into your embroidery machine.

STEP 2



Download the .DST file to your machine and choose a hoop size based on the size of the mask and the design.

STEP 3





Go to colors and select the "frame out" option for the first 2 steps. This will tell the machine to frame out the design so that you're able to then attach the straps.

STEP 4



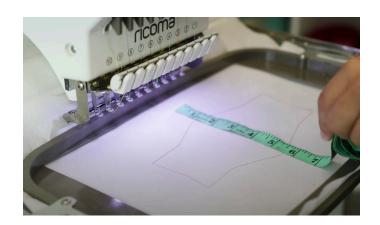
Make sure to lock your machine and run a quick trace to ensure your design will fit within the boundaries of your hoop.





Once you've checked that your design fits, start your trace stitch! This part will embroider the outline of your design. That way, once the hoop frames out, you'll be able to see the exact shape and size of your mask outlined on your backing.

STEP 5



Use your measuring tape to take measurements of your mask.



After measuring your mask design, cut out a piece of fabric that is larger than the design to place over the trace stitch.





Place the main fabric on top of the trace stitch with the design facing up and press start.

Pro tip: Double check your work and make sure your fabric is covering the entire space of your trace stitch.

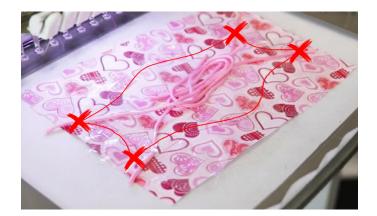
STEP 6



Measure the strings to ensure they're long enough to be tied around your head. Once you have the right size, cut four identical pieces.



STEP 7



Take each piece and place it on each corner of the design outline, making sure to leave the very tip of the string off the fabric and the rest of the string lying diagonally towards the center of the mask.



Press start. The machine will now stitch the straps in place at each corner point. After the string is stitched in place, you will need to cut an additional piece of fabric to place on top.

STEP 8



Cut an additional piece of fabric the same size as the first piece and add 2 inches to the height.

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STEP 9



Once you cut your piece, cut it once more in half horizontally to create 2 identical strips.



Place your two new strips of fabric on top of your mask with the design facing down. Make sure they are covering the mask completely and that they are overlapping each other.



Arrange the pieces of fabric so that the slit between the strips is centered down the middle of the mask.

STEP 10





Press start on your machine and the mask will be sewn together inside out, with the straps neatly taped and tucked away inside.

STEP 11



Un-hoop the final product and cut around the edge of the stitches to cut out your mask.

Pro tip: Be careful not to cut too close to the stitches. Doing so may cause it to tear apart.

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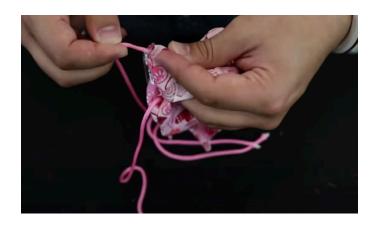


Use your snips to clean up the excess thread on the back of your mask (the side with the stabilizer) and carefully snip a piece of the tear-away to make a hole.



Lastly, tear off the rest of the stabilizer.

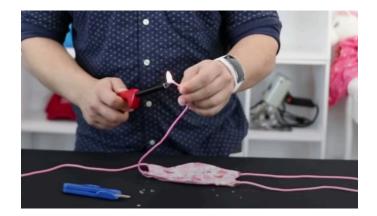
STEP 13



Flip the mask once again and pull the mask inside out, using the filter slit you created with your secondary fabric. Remove any tape and release the straps, tugging on them as you go to reinforce the stitches and the mask as a whole.

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STEP 14



Now that your mask is complete, we recommend taking your lighter and burning the tips of the straps to avoid any fraying in the future.

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