

For you Card

A handmade card is the perfect way to send a message to someone special!



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Read instructions carefully before starting project. I used my ScanNCut when making these three designs; and have included templates for those who don't have this handy little machine, as well as the ScanNCut download.

Materials:

- 2 x 12" x 12" (30 x 30cm) (card stock (one for the outside and one to line the card))
- Charm squares or fabric scraps to fit shapes
- Black machine thread
- Double sided tape
- Small amount of appliqué contact sheet
- Small black button for eye

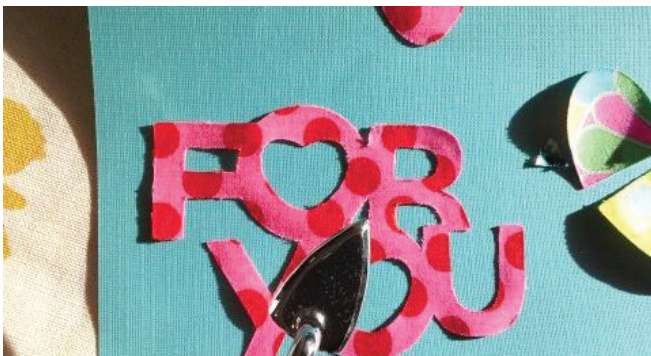
Tools required:

- Brother Sewing Machine
- Scissors
- Ruler

Optional:

- Brother ScanNCut
- Cutting mat, ruler and cutter
- Hot glue crystals for eyes or decoration
- Pigma pens to add details

1. If using the Brother ScanNCut, download the bird designs with this pattern. Cut appliqués from a variety of charm squares or fabric scraps and using manufacturer's instructions to cut your appliqué. **Miss next steps and go to step 8.**
2. If you don't have a ScanNCut, trace appliqué templates onto the paper side of appliqué contact sheet (letters will be in reverse but will read correctly when complete).
3. Roughly cut out leaving a small margin around each shape.
4. Iron shapes to the back of your charm squares or fabric scraps using manufacturer's instruction.
5. Carefully cut out along lines.
6. Peel backing from shapes.
7. Fold card in half. Lay out appliqué on the card front until you are happy with placement (don't have any stitching lines closer than 0.3" (1cm) from card edge).
- 8.



With light pressure iron the shape to the card (mini irons are perfect for this).

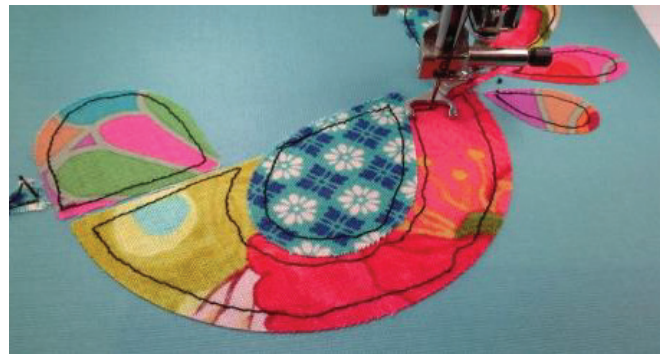
9. Stitch around shape using one or a combination of **blanket stitch**, **free motion** or **triple stitch**. Legs can be pencilled in lightly and rubbed out after stitching.

Different Stitches you can use are:



- a) **Triple stitch** using open toe embroidery foot. Move needle position with stitch width, use edge of foot as a guide.

OR



- b) **Free motion stitching**; Feed dogs down. **Straight stitch**, Needle position centre. This is the easiest to method to stitch around small pieces. The more you do it the better you get. Be kind to yourself, wobbly stitches look good.

OR



- c) **Blanket stitch**; do a sample first to check stitch width and length.

10. Using picture as a guide straight stitch legs either free motion, feed dogs down.

11.



After appliquéing cards sew button in place for eye. First insert button into the buttonhole foot with holes visible. Adjust stitch width so that the needle doesn't hit the button. Feed dogs down, stitch.

12. Cut the second piece of card just a little smaller than the first. Fold in half.

13.



Stick double sided tape to the back of the card front.

14. Cover stitching with card lining and press together.

15. Write your personal message in side.

Congratulations your "for you" card is now finished.



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For you card shapes

