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WINTER WINDOW EMBROIDERED QUILT CENTER

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Did you know there's a whole collection of designs on the CREATIVATE Design Catalogue? Not only do these embroideries transport you to a beautiful place, but they are a great design to stitch using the 360x350mm turnable embroidery hoop with if that is new or intimidating to you.

CATEGORY:

- Embroidery

SKILL LEVEL:

- Intermediate

MACHINE:

- Sewing and Embroidery Machine

TOOLS/ACCESSORIES:

- 360 x 350mm Hoop
- ¼" Piecing Foot

MATERIALS:

- ½ yard (46cm) White woven fabric for main embroidery
- Cut away stabilizer
- Fabric marking tool
- ½ yard (46cm) Red felt for the window
- ¼ yard (23 cm) or a decent size scrap of woven blue fabric for sky appliqué
- ¼ yard (23 cm) or a decent size scrap of woven white fabric for snow appliqué
- Scrap of brown woven fabric for cabin appliqué
- Bobbin thread
- Thread according to the design color chart
    - Note the color of the bird was altered to resemble a Cardinal more

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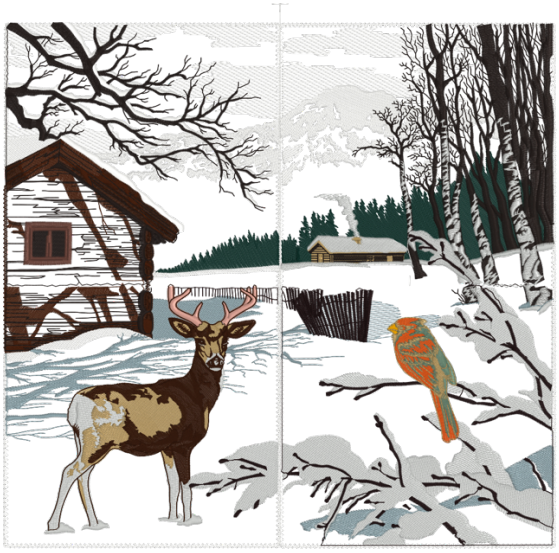
Step 1: Load the embroidery on screen; click the image below to go directly there.



Step 2: Hoop the main fabric with the cut away stabilizer behind it. Make sure the fabric is taut in the hoop, both quick releases are closed, and tightened.

Step 3: Prepare your machine to embroider by switching to an embroidery needle, changing the stitch plate to the single stitch plate, load a bobbin filled with bobbin thread, and attach the hoop so the brand name is at the top and the number is at the bottom.

Step 4: Stitch the first half of the design according to the instruction provided on the design page.

Step 5: When the first half of the design is done, remove the hoop and flip it, attach the hoop from the opposite side and continue stitching the design.

Note: You don't necessarily need to make sure the design aligns perfectly because all center points that would meet on other turnable hoop designs is covered by the felt window shape we will create.

Step 6: Remove the stitched design from the hoop.

Step 7: Cut the felt window fabric into a 16" (41 cm).

Step 8: On the wrong side of the felt, mark a straight line down the center vertically and horizontally.

Step 9: On each side of the lines you just marked, measure and mark ¼" (7 mm).

Step 10: From the vertical center line, measure and mark 6.5" (16.5 cm) on each side.

Step 11: From the horizontal center line, measure and mark 6" (15 cm) on each side.

Step 12: Now that we have marked our window openings, you can ignore the center lines. Cut in the middle of the window to create an easy in to cut along the openings that are marked.

Tip: Use a small rotary cutter or a sharp craft knife and a ruler to cut along the window openings.

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Step 13: Place the window shape over the embroidery and pin in place.

Step 14: Using a straight stitch, sew ¼" (7 mm) away from the windows along the outside edge. Then sew in the middle of the window cross sections.

Tip: Use a ¼" piecing foot for consistent seam allowances.

Step 15: Trim down any excess fabric from the embroidery piece.

Step 16: Now you have a block you can pair with various blocks. For example, this was paired with two 12" (30 cm) Lemoyne quilt blocks and a basic square border.

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