

GHOSTS AND WITCHES AND BATS...OH, MY!

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This whimsical doorstop is sure to be a hit at your next Halloween gathering! Pfaff creative Stitch Editor was used to cut and paste portions of designs from card #329 Halloween together into this adorable doorstop. For the creative 2140...all the designs fit in one hooping (140 x 225 hoop). If you're using a 7000 series Pfaff embroidery machine, simply create your scene in 2 parts! And...for those of you not utilizing Pfaff creative Stitch Editor...all the designs can be positioned and stitched individually!



Supplies You'll Need:

- Embroidery machine
- Pfaff creative Stitch Editor (Optional)
- Halloween embroidery designs – designs from card #329 Halloween were used for this project. Pfaff creative Stitch Editor was used to cut, resize and paste parts of individual designs to create this whimsical scene.
- 1/3 yd light "sky" fabric
- 1/3 yd navy sparkle organza
- 1/3 yd cotton batting
- Rayon embroidery threads
- Quilt basting spray
- Some type of weight for the bottom of your doorstop – we used broken pottery wrapped in batting!
- Small amount of fiberfill to stuff the top half of your doorstop
- Matching sewing thread

TIP: Can't find just the right fabric for your project? Try the layering technique we're using here...for the doorstop we chose a very light blue & white hand-dyed sky fabric topped with 2 layers of navy blue sparkle organza! The sky fabric peeks through – the organza lends the feeling of a nighttime sky!

Fabric Cutting Instructions:

1. Cut 1 each of sky fabric and batting: 12" x 24"
2. Cut 2 of sparkle organza: 12" x 24" (cut only 1 if one layer achieves the look you desire)

Let's Get Started:

1. Use quilt-basting spray to layer the quilt batting, sky fabric and 1 or 2 layers of the sparkle organza (depending on the look you want to achieve...we used 2 layers).
2. Mark embroidery placement lines on your fabric. Hoop fabric sandwich aligning placement lines as needed for your selected embroidery hoop. Due to the many layers of fabric and batting, no additional stabilizer is needed.
3. Embroider designs (see picture for suggested layout).
4. Take embroidered piece out of hoop, trim thread tails and cut the piece to a finished size of 11" x 21 1/2".
5. Fold in half widthwise, right sides together. Sew a seam leaving approximately 4" in the center open for turning.
6. Reposition seam so it becomes the center back seam of the doorstep.
7. Stitch along the bottom edge.



8. Draw and stitch a curved line along the top edge. Trim seam allowance to 1/4".



9. Open out bottom seam, folding ends into points. See photo.



10. Draw a line perpendicular to the bottom seam, 2" up from the point. Stitch across these lines. This will form a flat bottom on your doorstep.
11. Turn right side out.
12. Put weight in bottom of doorstep. Stuff the top half with fiberfill.
13. Stitch back opening seam closed.

