

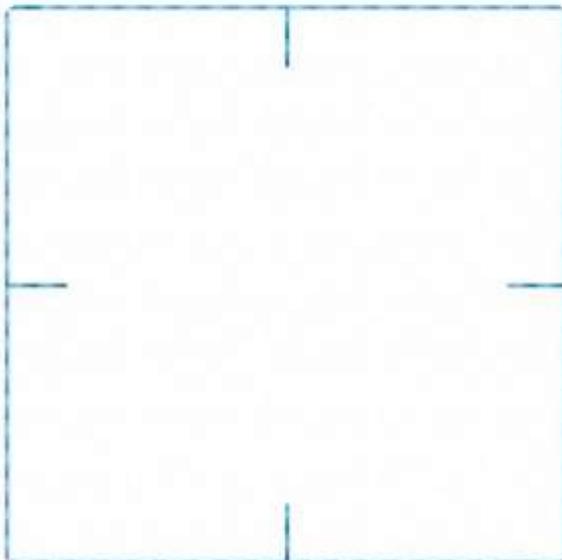


FREE BASTING STITCHES INSTRUCTIONS



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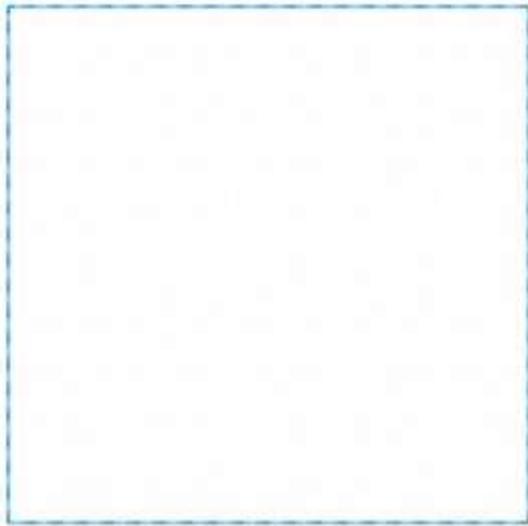
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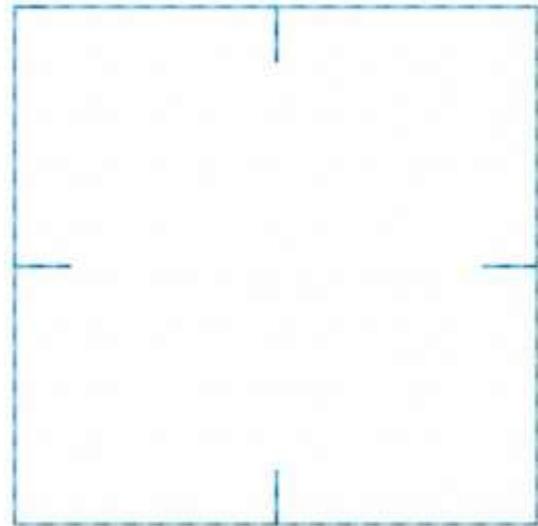
I have created this free set for anyone who does not have a basting function on their embroidery machine.

If you do have the basting function on your machine – Learn how to use it – it makes life easier.

I have included two versions for each hoop size.



BASTE



ALIGNING

INCLUDED SIZES

INCHES	mm	INCHES	mm
4x4	98x98 mm	8x8	198x198mm
5x5	128x128 mm	8x12	198x298mm
5x7	128x178mm	9x9	228x228mm
6x6	158x158mm	9.5x9.5	238x238mm
6x10	158x258mm	9x5x14	238x358mm

WHY USE BASTING STITCHES?

Use a basting stitch anytime it would be **physically hard to hoop your fabric** – ie Perfect for Towels or making Quilt Blocks with fabric and batting, or even 'Quilting' thru all layers of a Quilt

Put simply, you hoop your stabiliser – then 'float' - place your fabric/towel over the hoop, and then run your basting stitch to hold all the layers in place.

To ensure a perfect stitch out, the most important thing you can do is to control movement within your hoop.

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Using the pinning method to hoop your stabiliser, floating your fabric over the hoop and stitching a basting stitch WILL help.



BASTING WITH ALIGNMENT MARKS

Using the basting stitch with the aligning marks for – you guessed it – helping you align more than 1 design.

Again, check your machine manual – you may have functionality on your machine which will do all this for you!! My Brother has the camera function which would be much easier and probably quicker to align designs.



I created the two samples above to show you how you can create large Quilted pieces in your embroidery hoop.

The Hearts sample was made with four 4x4 heart quilting designs, while the bubbles is four 5x7 bubble quilting designs.



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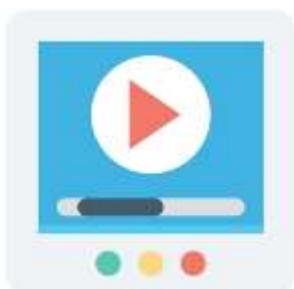
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I have used high contrast thread, (*and did not quite align one of my heart stitches precisely*) but I'm sure you get the idea – 'generally' this style of quilting would be done in a matching thread.



[Click here to watch our Video showing how to align designs precisely with alignment basting stitches](#)

Please note - the **Circles and Heart design** are **NOT included in this free basting set** - I have used them to demonstrate how you can align designs. They are included in the Heart Stars and Circle Quilting set

I trust you will enjoy stitching these designs. Be sure to Join our [Kreative Kiwi Group](#) and share photos of your Designs and join our helpful community of Embroidery Addicts

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