



A super simple little project that's quick to stitch, useful and perfect for gift giving!

Our **FREE** in-the-hoop **Pen Holder** is designed to make great use of jellyroll strips or fabric scraps, and you can even make two pen holders in one hooping

I added a clip to mine so I can attach it inside my handbag — no more digging around the bottom of my bag trying to find a pen!

And apparently, they're not just for pens... my daughter has already claimed the pink one for her Apple pencil, so she can find it easily in her bag.

They would make lovely little gifts for teachers, workmates, students, sewing friends or anyone who is forever looking for their pen!

Choose your favourite fabrics, add a pretty clip, and turn those leftover jellyroll strips into something genuinely useful

I hope you enjoy stitching this design. Please share what you make in our friendly [Facebook Group](#)



FINISHED SIZE

- 50 by 16.3 cms
- 2 by 6.5 inches

MATERIALS FOR PEN HOLDER

- 2 layers of water-soluble fabric-type stabiliser
- Matching bobbin thread
- Jellyroll strip – cut two pieces 8 inches and one 12-inch piece folded to 6 inches (or fabric scraps width 2.5 inches)
- Optional:
 - Iron-on interfacing for pocket
 - Hanging clip

STABILISER AND HOOPING

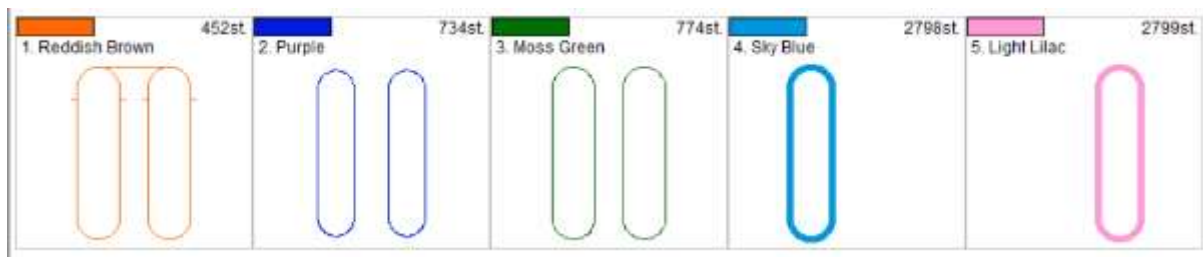


Hoop 2 layers of water-soluble stabiliser

Use pins at the hoop edge to ensure no stabiliser movement

If you are new to this technique
[Click here to watch Kay's hooping video](#)

CONSTRUCTION



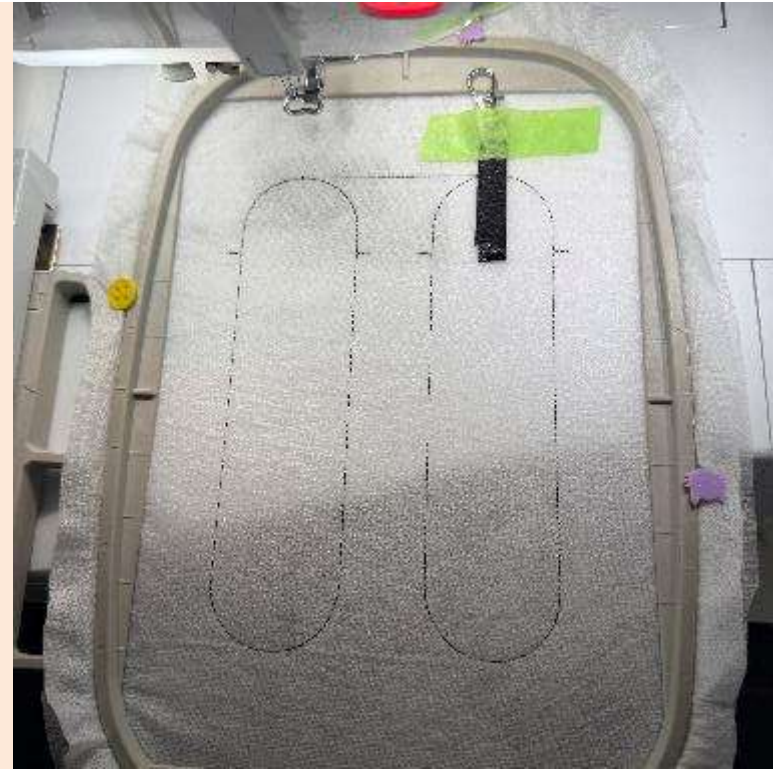
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STEP ONE – THE FABRIC PLACEMENT LINE



Thread your machine with a neutral colour

Stitch Colour 1, which is the outline of the holders and shows you where to place your batting



OPTIONAL:

Tape a key ring clip on a ribbon loop in place outside the stitch line

STEP TWO – BATTING



Tape your batting over the guideline

Stitch Colour 2 to attach



Cut away excess
batting

There is a gap
between the batting
and the original
outline – this keeps
the batting out of the
edges

STEP THREE – FABRICS



BACK OF HOOP

Tape your jellyroll
pieces over the
guideline

Right side of fabric
facing up



With a pen, extend the guidelines on the stabiliser to help with pocket placement



For each holder

Place the long piece over the guideline – right side of fabric facing up



Tape your folded pocket in place, with the folded edge in line with the guidelines outside the stitch lines



Do the same for the second side (sorry it is hard to see the black fabric)



OPTIONAL:

To ensure your pockets do not get caught in the presser foot, you can add a layer of plastic solvy topper over the entire hoop

STEP FOUR – ATTACH FABRICS

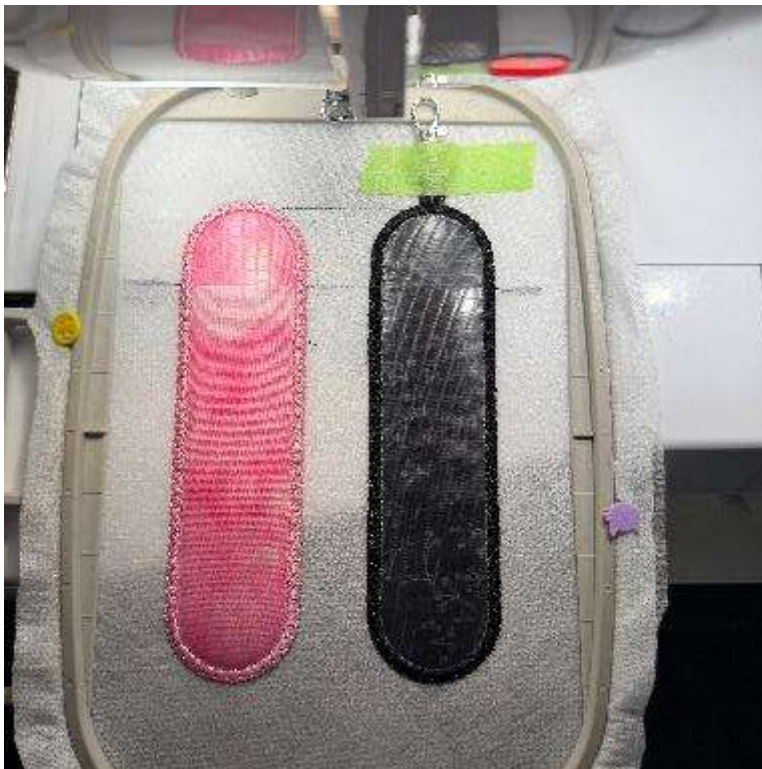


Stitch Colour 3 to attach the fabrics

Remove hoop from the machine
Trim all excess fabric on the front and back of the hoop



STEP FIVE – COMPLETE EMBROIDERY



Change to matching
top and bobbin
thread

Stitch Colour 4 to
zigzag, then complete
satin stitch edge – left
side (pink)

Stitch Colour 5 to
complete the right
side

STEP SIX – FINISH



Remove the design from the hoop and trim away the excess stabiliser from the edges

To remove the remaining water-soluble stabiliser along the edges, use a Q-tip (cotton bud) dipped in hot water

For a completely clean finish, you can either soak the entire design or machine wash. Once dry and pressed, it will look as good as new!

Add your pens



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