



Look who's popping out of the vortex!

Add a little spooky fun to your Halloween stitching with our FREE In the Hoop Skeleton Vortex Coaster!

Featuring a cheeky skeleton emerging from the centre of a swirling, quilted vortex, this fun little design is something a bit different for Halloween!

Available for 4x4 and 5x5 embroidery hoops, these coasters are quick and easy to stitch, making them a great little project for Halloween.

Have fun choosing your fabrics! I've stitched my samples in both light and dark colours to show how different the same design can look.

Perfect for Halloween parties, adding a spooky touch to your coffee table, or making a fun little gift for a fellow Halloween lover.



FINISHED SIZE



4X4-SKELETON.pes
98.2x98.2 mm (3.87x3.87 "),



5X5-SKELETON.pes
128.0x128.0 mm (5.04x5.04 ")

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

- 2 layers of water-soluble fabric-type stabiliser
- Matching bobbin thread

For the Coaster, cut your front fabric, backing fabric and batting approximately 1 inch larger than your hoop size.

Hoop Size	Front Fabric	Backing Fabric	Batting
4x4	5 x 5"	5 x 5"	5 x 5"
5x5	6 x 6"	6 x 6"	6 x 6"

STABILISER AND HOOPING



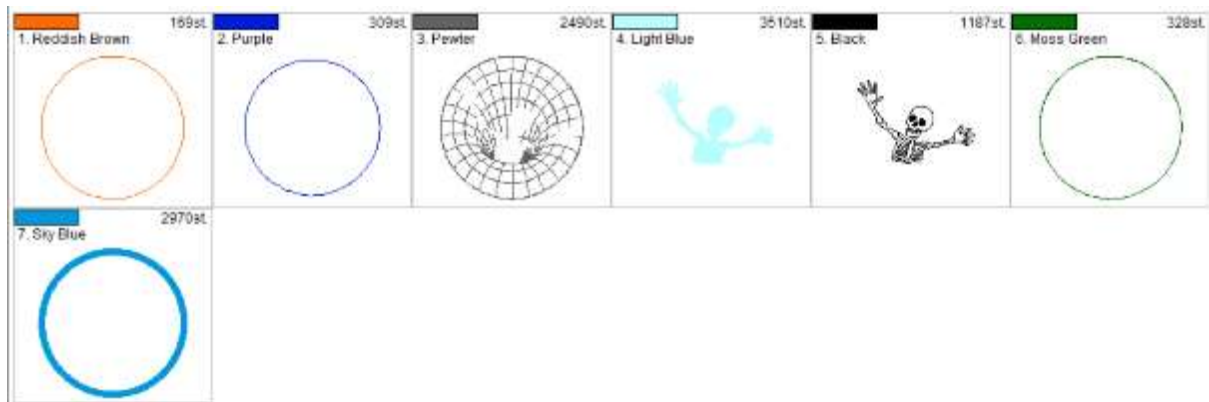
Hoop stabiliser

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



STEP ONE – THE FABRIC PLACEMENT LINE



Thread your machine with a neutral colour

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

STEP TWO – BATTING



Place batting over the guideline

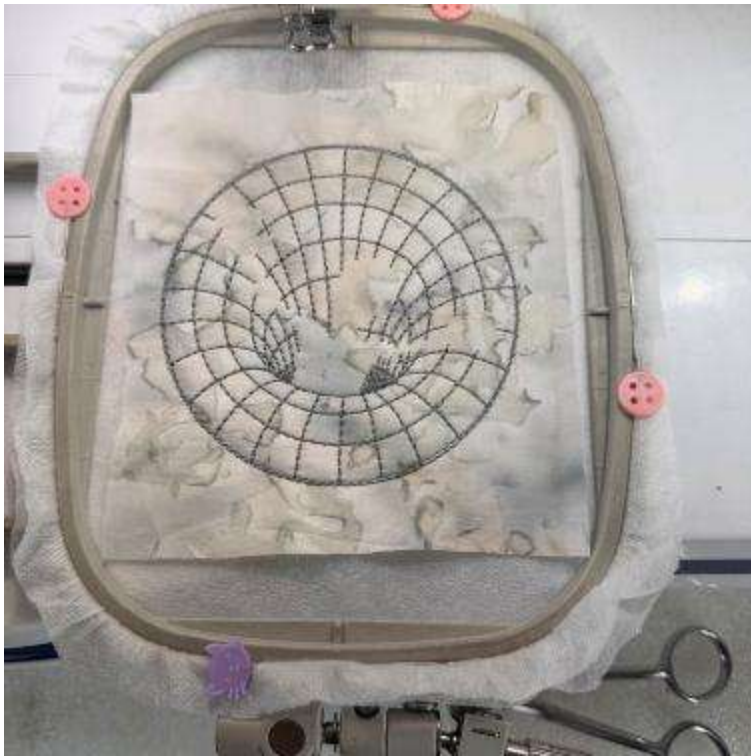
Stitch Colour 2 to attach



Cut away excess batting

There is a gap between the outline and batting – this is correct – it keeps the batting out of the seams

STEP THREE – FABRIC PLACEMENT



Thread your machine with the colour you want for the background vortex quilting

Place fabric over the guideline

Stitch Colour 3 to attach and stitch the background quilting (gray)



Stitch inner design

Colour 4 – skeleton fill (white)

Colour 5 – skeleton outline (black)

STEP FOUR- ADD BACKING FABRIC



BACK OF HOOP

Place a full piece of fabric over the entire guideline

WRONG SIDE of fabric facing the hoop

STEP FIVE – ATTACH BACKING



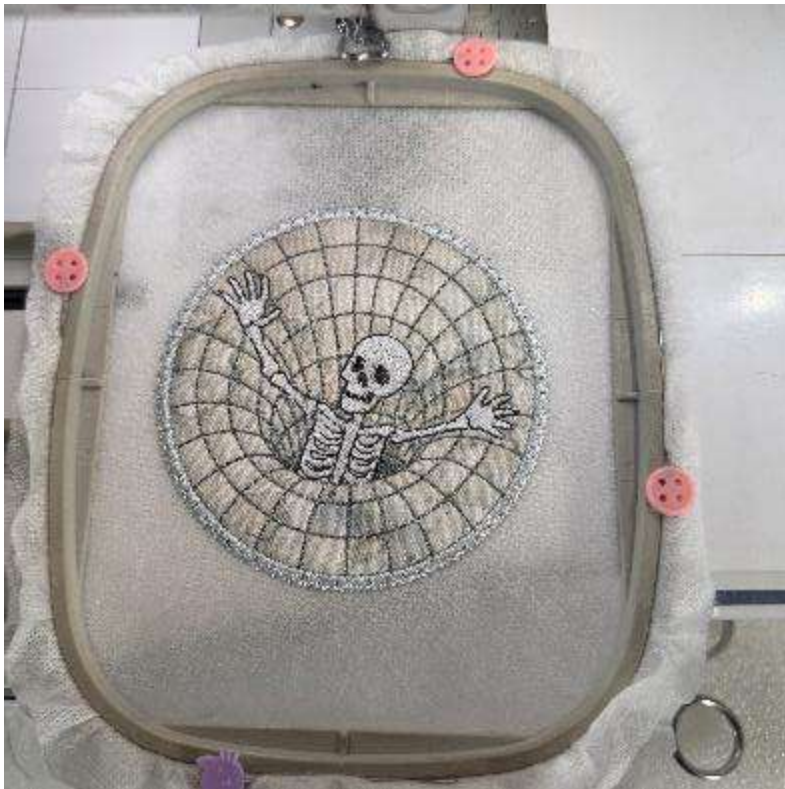
Stitch Colour 6 to attach the backing fabric

STEP SEVEN – CUT AWAY EXCESS FABRIC

Remove hoop from machine
Cut away excess fabric on the front and back of the hoop
Return hoop to machine



STEP EIGHT – COMPLETE EMBROIDERY



Change to matching top
and bobbin thread

Stitch Colour 7 to
complete the satin stitch
edge (pale Gray)

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 it. Once dry and pressed, it will look like new!

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

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