

Party Placemats

What better way to get the party started than with a fun table setting! These will quickly become essential for all your family celebrations.

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Supplies:

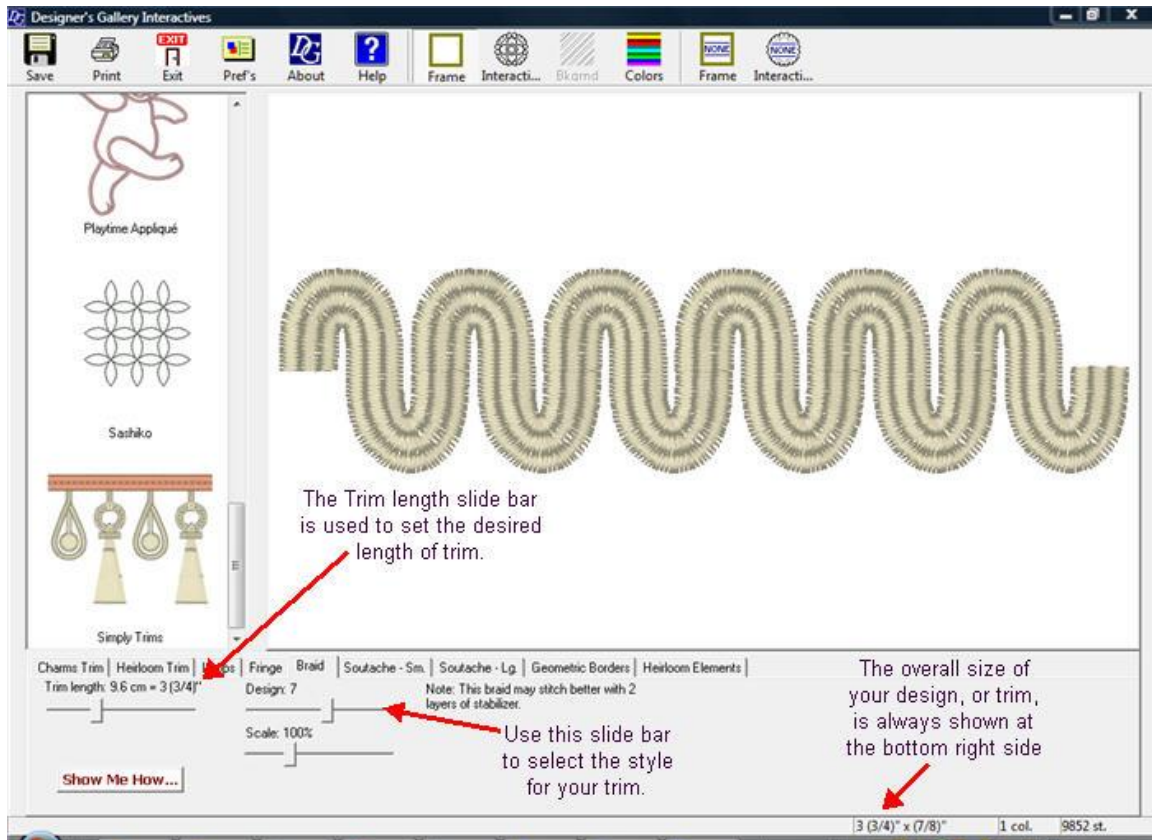
Baby Lock
Sewing/Embroidery Machine
Simply Trims™
Interactive from Designer's Gallery
4-purchased placemats
Dissolve-Away Mesh stabilizer
Assortment of rayon embroidery thread
All-purpose thread
Tape measure
Scissors
Fabric glue stick



Instructions:

1. Measure the edge of the placemats where you want to add trim. This will be the amount of trim needed in each color.
2. Open Simply Trims Interactive from Designer's Gallery installed on your computer. Select the Braid tab from the Project window.
3. Using the design slide bar, select #7.
4. Use the Trim length slide bar to create trim to fit in your largest hoop. If your hoop is 4"x4", slide the bar until the trim will fit into that hoop. If your hoop is 5" x 7", you can make your trim closer to 7" long.

5. You are now ready to save the design. Click “Save”  found in the tool bar. Name your file, select your USB drive or other location using the “Save in” drop down menu. Select the format from the list by clicking the down arrow on the “Save As Type” box and clicking the desired format. Click “Save”. If your machine requires media other than a USB drive, follow the manufacturer’s instructions to transfer the design to that media.



6. To determine how many pieces of trim you will need to stitch, divide the measurement in step one by length of the trim. So, if your placemat is 12" and your trim is 4", you will need to stitch 3 pieces of trim-stitch 3 pieces of trim for each color used.
7. Hoop 2 layers of Dissolve-Away Mesh stabilizer into your hoop.
8. With your machine set up for embroidery, load the design onto the machine and stitch. Repeat this until you have the right number of pieces for the placemat. Repeat this for each color used.
9. Remove the trim from the hoop and cut away the excess stabilizer. Rinse away any remaining stabilizer and lay flat to dry.
10. Set your machine for regular sewing using a straight stitch with matching embroidery thread in the needle.

11. Using the fabric glue stick, arrange the trim along the edge of the placemat.
12. Stitch in place down the center of the trim.
13. Place on your table and let the celebration begin...”For you’re a jolly good sewist! Which nobody can deny!”



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