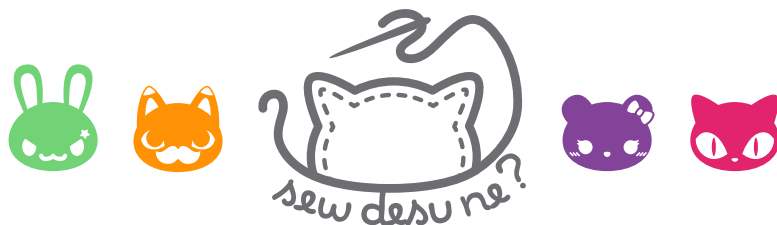


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A SEWING PATTERN BY



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These coasters are of course influenced by classic floppy disks used ages ago. On their own, they're basic rounded square coasters with felt backing, and all the applique on top makes them come to life.

DIFFICULTY: 

The hardest and major part of these is the appliqué, but if you can get past that you're fine.

MAKES:

one coaster that is 4¼" wide and 4¼" tall

MATERIALS & TOOLS

- 1/8 yd. or a fat quarter of light weight fabric for main coaster (broadcloth or linen would work – I used quilting cotton)
- 5" x 5" scrap of complementing felt for backing
- Appliqué supplies:
 - 4" x 4" scrap of white appliqué fabric (cotton or felt)
 - 2" x 3" scrap of gray appliqué fabric (cotton or felt)
 - 1" x 4" scrap of contrasting fabric for label (cotton or felt)
 - 4" x 7" piece of light or heavy duty fusible web
- Matching sewing thread
- Basic sewing tools (sewing machine, scissors, iron, needles, pins, fabric marker, seam ripper)

BEFORE YOU BEGIN:

1. Print out the project pattern, page 5
2. Lay out the pattern pieces on your fabric and cut them out
3. Mark the fabric pieces with the guidelines from the pattern

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This is the bulk of the work to make your coaster: the appliqué. Apply your appliqué fabrics to your coaster front following the pattern guidelines. Iron them in place with light or heavy duty fusible web. I chose to sew them in place with a zigzag stitch. You'll also want to do some straight stitches in contrasting thread along the stitch guidelines from the pattern to make the lines for your label.



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With your appliqué complete, you can sew the remaining coaster piece on top with right sides together. Leave an opening in the side for turning the coaster right side out as the pattern indicates. Trim the seam allowances, turn the piece right side out, tuck the seam allowances back inside coaster, then press it flat.

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All that's left to do is add the backing! Layer your felt piece against the back of your coaster, and it should lay just inside the shape so felt doesn't show much on the outside. Then edge stitch all the way around the coaster. This will affix your felt in place and also close up the opening on the side of your coaster at the same time.

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