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Style Tip: A little bit of lace elevates a garment from ordinary to extraordinary!!

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You can add lacy embroidered details to ready made garments or garments constructed from scratch with this easy reverse applique embroidery technique. The steps are easy and work on both casual and dressy garments. Download complete step-by-step instructions for this project on the brothersews website. Click on the link below:

www.brother-usa.com [Swimsuit Cover-up with Lacy Applique](#)

Materials and Supplies featured in this episode:

- [Brother XV8500D Sewing and Embroidery Machine](#)
- [Brother Embroidery Thread and Bobbin Thread](#)
- [SAEMB7511](#) Embroidery needles for sewing machine
- [Brother](#) Embroidery Machine with 4-inch hoop.
- [SA520](#) Water-Soluble stabilizer for top side of embroidery
- [SA5931](#) Fusible Cut-Away stabilizer as needed for lighter weight knits.
- Low tack tape for attaching water-soluble to fabric
- Soft lace yardage, one piece measuring 8-inches square for each embroidery motif.
- Ready-made knit swimsuit cover-up or a similar knit garment.
- Brother Embroidery design from <http://www.ibroidery.com>, the Brother Design Download Center (compatible with select Brother model machines)

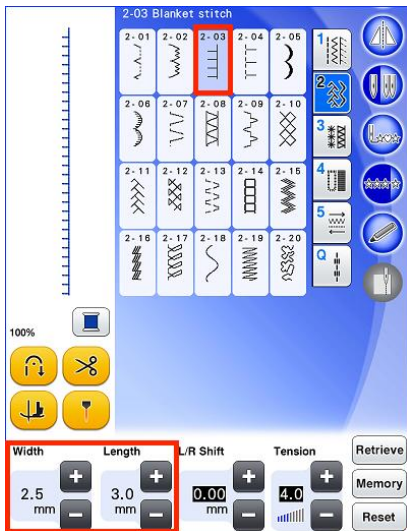
Click on the link for this featured embroidery design:

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	Item Number: exe03 10 Floral Decorative Intricate flower design with smaller flowers and leaves inside
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Threads	Dimensions
♥ Applique - APPLIQUE	Width: 3.46 Inches
✂ Applique Material - APPLIQUE MATERIAL	Height: 3.87 Inches
📍 Applique Position - APPLIQUE POSITION	Stitch Count: 4478
🌿 Moss Green - EMBROIDERY #515	Color Count: 5
⬜ White - EMBROIDERY #001	

General tips:

- This lightweight design is ideal for stitching on a knit garment such as the featured swimsuit cover-up. Many appliqué designs include a heavy satin stitch for covering raw edges on woven fabrics. However, this design finishes with an open style blanket stitch. The fact that knits are ravel resistant means that you can stitch a design like this with light, open, and airy stitches, maintaining the drape of the soft knit fabric.
- This technique works best on medium weight knit fabrics without a great deal of stretch. If your fabric is slightly thinner or a bit more stretchy, consider adding fusible Brother [SA5931](#) cut-away stabilizer to the wrong side of the embroidered area of the fabric. You could also opt for a removable stabilizer such as Brother [SA5906](#), adhesive backed fibrous water soluble.
- Here is an option for creating a similar design on the sewing side of the machine:
 1. Layer a section of lace against the wrong side of the fabric.
 2. Trace a simple shape on the right side of the garment, making sure the motif is smaller than the lace piece on the underside.
 3. Begin by sewing around the motif with a simple straight stitch. Attach a presser foot such as [SA145](#), suitable for stitching applique. Next, select a narrow blanket stitch and sew a second time to cover the raw edge. Add free motion stitchery or additional decorative stitches as desired. You will see that these steps are similar the ones shown in the featured embroidery design but in this case you are manually stitching the motif. See example of blanket stitch and approximate settings below:



Additional Resources:

- You'll find many beautiful embroidery designs available for select Brother model machines available from ibroidery.com

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