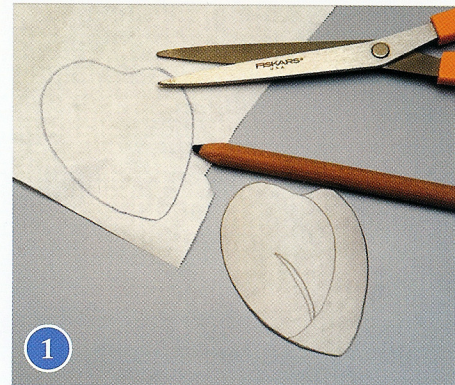


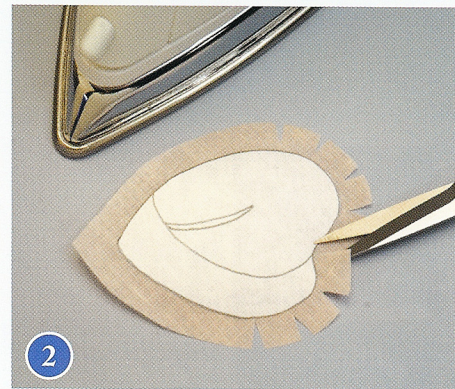
madeira appliqué

A delicate appliqué technique sewn on fine fabrics utilizing the pin stitch to apply the appliqué pieces.

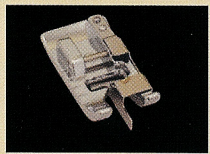
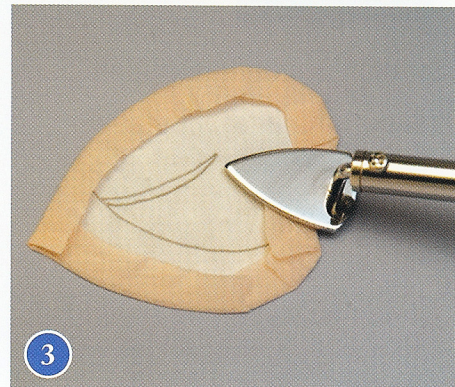
1. Trace the pattern pieces onto the freezer paper. Cut out each piece following the drawn line. (#1)



2. Press the freezer paper to the wrong side of the appliqué fabric leaving 1/2" between all the pieces. Using sharp scissors, carefully cut around each piece leaving a scant 1/4" seam allowance. Clip any points or curves as needed. (#2)

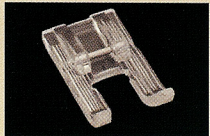


3. With a dry iron or mini-iron, carefully press in the seam allowance over the edge of the freezer paper pattern. (#3)



Edge Joining
Foot

and



Open Toe Foot

Stitch: Pin Stitch

Width: Pre-set

Length: Pre-set

Tension: Pre-set

Fabric, needles, notions required:

Cotton organdy or batiste; wing needle, size 100; fine heirloom, rayon, or cotton embroidery thread for needle and bobbinfil on bobbin; mini-iron; freezer paper; water-soluble marking pen; appliqué scissors

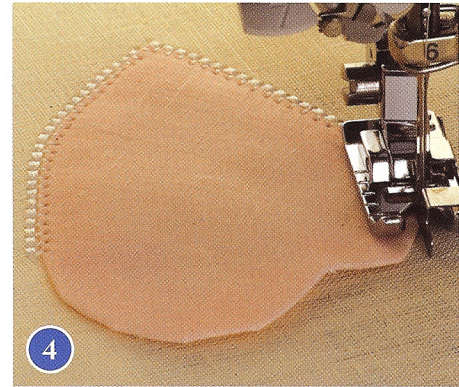
FOOT FACTS

The open toe foot can also be used for the Madeira appliqué technique. Position the foot so the center mark is along the edge of the appliqué fabric while sewing.

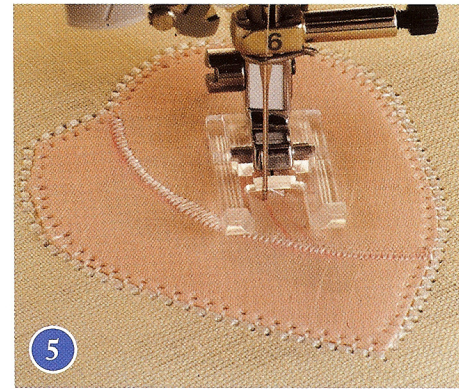
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4. Carefully remove the freezer paper. Place the appliqué piece right side up on the right side of the background fabric. Select the pin stitch and slowly stitch around the appliqué piece with the straight stitches along the appliqué piece edge and the horizontal stitches just stitching into the appliqué piece. (#4)



5. Add any decorative satin stitch details on top of the appliqué piece if desired. You can vary the width of the satin stitch by changing the stitch width as you sew. (#5)



TIP There are many methods for making templates and turning edges for appliqué. Choose the method that works the best for you and the fabrics you are using. Another method that will work for fine delicate fabrics, is to cut a template from template material or tagboard. Trace the design on the wrong side of your fabric and cut out leaving a scant 1/4" seam allowance. On the wrong side of the appliqué piece, apply spray starch or a fabric stiffener to the edge. Place the template on top of the appliqué piece and using a dry iron or a mini-iron, turn the edges over the template. Remove the pattern piece and press again from the right side. Stitch to the background fabric.

Or use the turning method employed for the blind appliqué to create your appliqué pieces.