

## **Open Toe Foot**

Stitch: Straight

Width:

Length: 2.5

2.5 - 3.0mm

Tension: Pre-set

## Fabric, needles, notions required:

Cotton solids or prints; pre-made fusible bias tape; twin needle, size 2.0/80 or 3.0/90; rayon or cotton embroidery thread for needle and bobbinfil on bobbin; double stick fusible web; tear-away stabilizer; marking pen or pencil; mini-iron; appliqué scissors

## stained glass appliqué

Narrow bias strips are sewn down between appliquéd pieces creating an effect similar to a stained glass window.

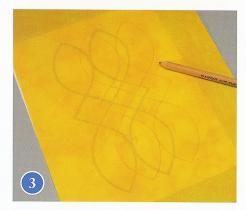
1. Trace the whole design onto a piece of paper to use as a master pattern for placing the individual pieces. Number each individual piece for easy assembly. Trace each individual piece on one side of double stick fusible web numbering them according to the master pattern. Cut out each individual piece leaving a 1/8" seam allowance outside the traced line. (#1)



 Remove the paper from one side and, following the manufacturer's instructions, fuse the double stick fusible web to the wrong side of the appliqué fabrics. Cut out each individual piece making sure the numbers are still on each piece. (#2)



 Place the master pattern behind the background fabric. Carefully trace the whole design onto the background fabric with a chalk marker. Transfer the the numbers for placement reference. (#3)



Select the appropriate marking pen or pencil for your project. If the piece will be washed, a water-soluble pen can be used. You may find the line disappears to quickly if a air-soluble pen is used.

## stained glass appliqué — cont.



- 4. Remove the remaining paper backing and fuse each appliqué in place in numerical order. Make sure all edges meet. (#4)
- 5. Once all the appliqué pieces have been fused to the background fabric, examine the design closely. The bias "leading" strips will be placed between each appliqué piece. All short sections should be attached first and any continuous pieces last.
- 6. Using the mini-iron, carefully fuse the pre-made fusible bias tape between the appliqué pieces. The bias can be eased into curves using steam from the steam iron. (#5)
- 7. Thread your machine for a twin needle, insert the correct-sized twin needle and select a straight stitch. Begin stitching slowly following the bias tape. Add a layer of tear-away stabilizer for more stability when sewing if necessary. Pivot for curves.

  (#6)







OOT FACTS

The open toe foot allows you complete visibility as you sew the bias tape in place.