

# Stitchhouse



## Beginner's Embroidery Monogram a Towel

# Materials

- Towel
- Thread – 2 colors
- Bobbin – you may want to use the same thread in the bobbin
- Stabilizer: Floriani Perfect Stick in the hoop; Wash Away Topper
- Scissors
- Snips
- Embroidery tape
- XP2
- Hoop
- Optional: Tulle or Organza (instead of nap blocker stitching)



# Today you will:

- Program your monogram:
  - Use My Design Center to choose nap control
  - Choose a font for your monogram
  - Alter: Size, Position, Spacing, and Color
- Hoop the stabilizer
- Float the towel & topper
- Learn recommended Sizing and Placement of monograms on towels
- *I must admit, I had NO idea how much there was to learn about towels when I created this lesson!!!*



# Sizing:

Item	Item measurements (approximate)	Monogram Size
Wash cloth	12 x 12” or 13 x 13”	1 – 1.5” for the center letter
Hand Towel	15 – 18” x 25 – 30”	1.5 – 2” for the center letter
Bath Towel	20 – 30” x 40 – 58”	5”
Bath Sheet	35 – 40” x 60 – 70”	5 - 6”
Tea Towel	18/20 x 28/30 inches	1.5 – 2.5” for the center letter
Finger Towel	11 x 18 inches	1.5 – 2” for the center letter

# Placement Guide:

from [Machine Embroidery Designs at Embroidery Library! - Embroidery Library \(emblibrary.com\)](#)

## Towels

### Washcloths

1" - 1 1/2" above hem, or 1" above border. Can also place design in corner, angled, 1" - 1 1/2" above corner.

### Hand Towels

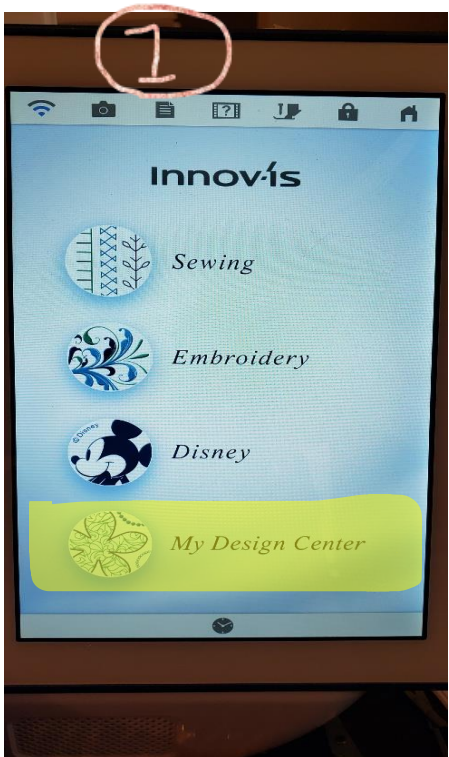
2" above hem, or 1 1/2" above border.

### Bath Towels

4" above hem, or 1 1/2" - 2" above border.

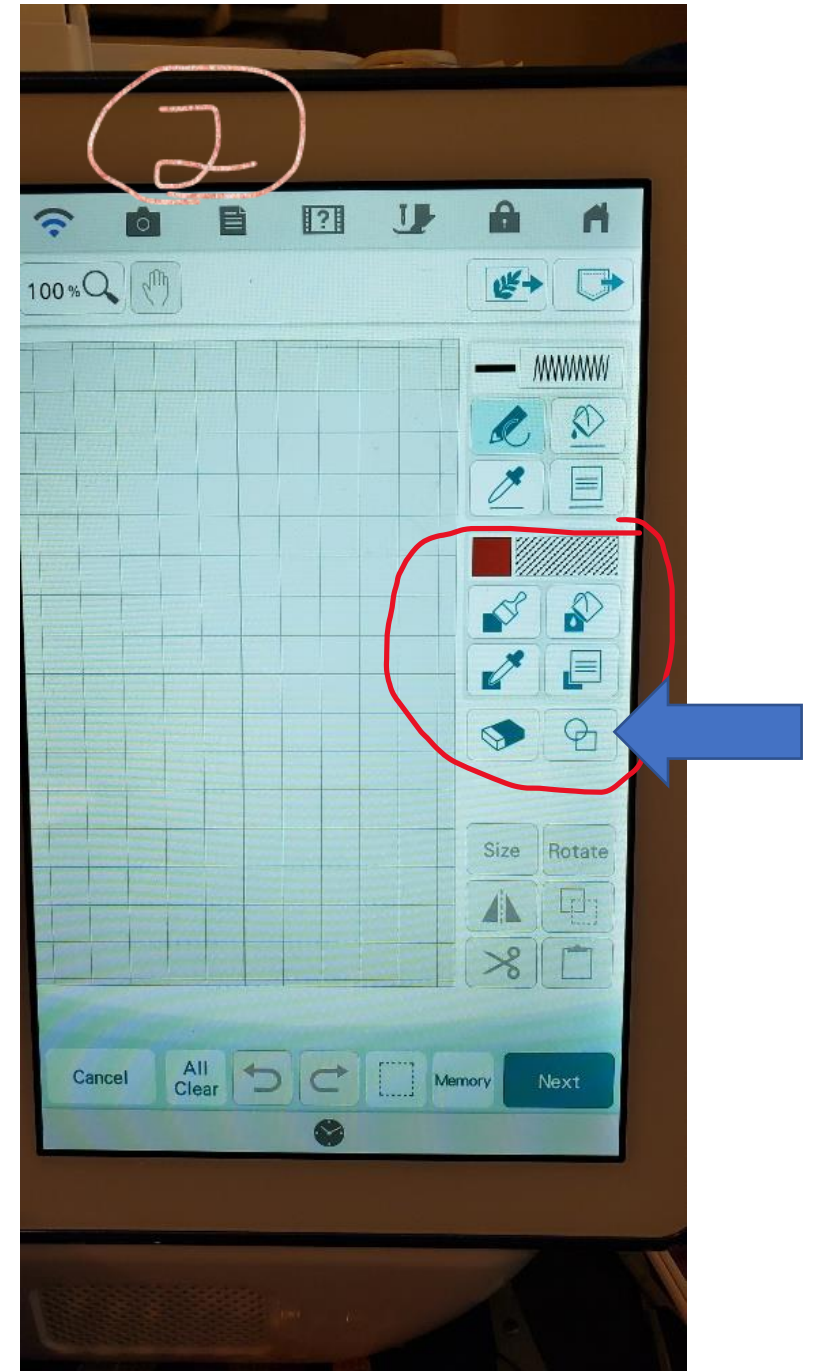
### Bath Sheets

5" above hem, or 2 1/2" - 3" above border.



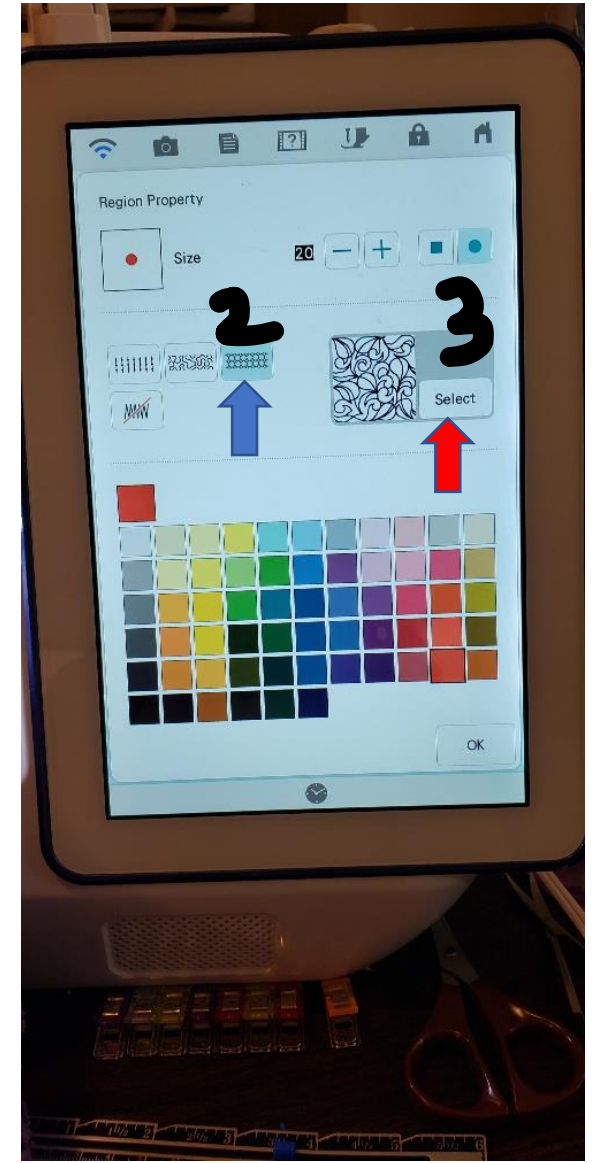
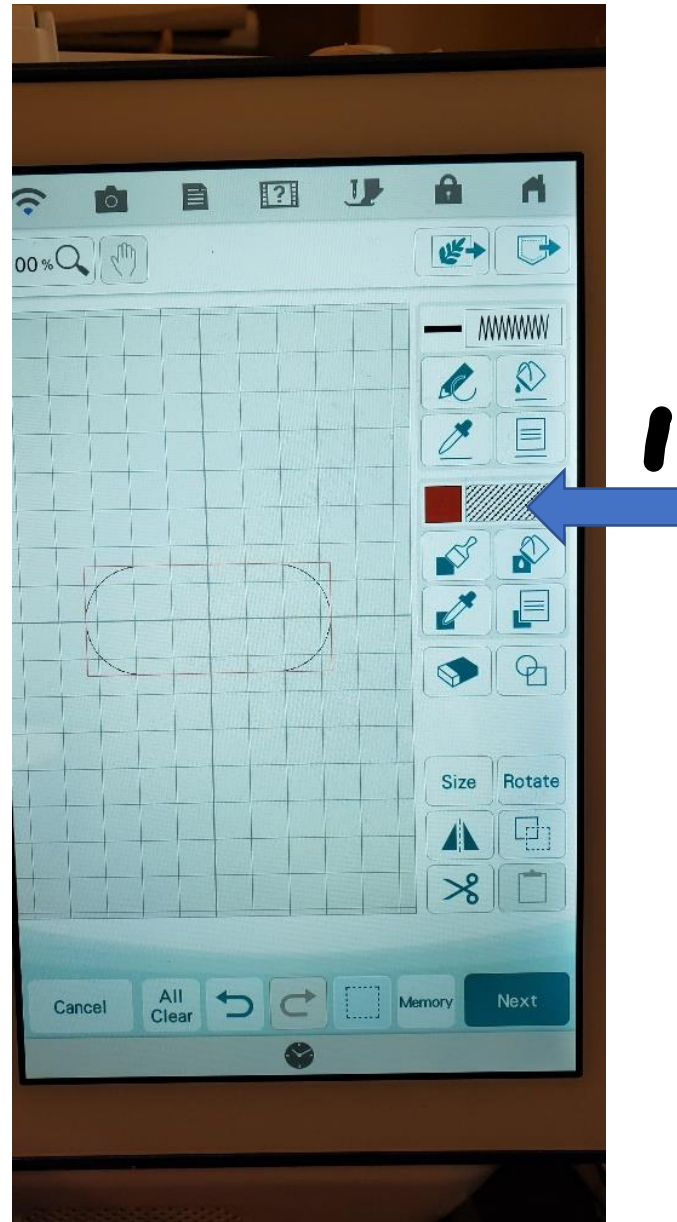
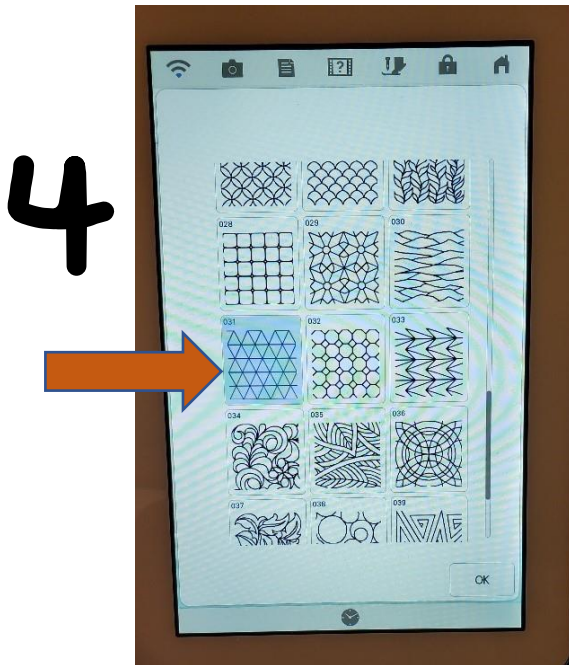
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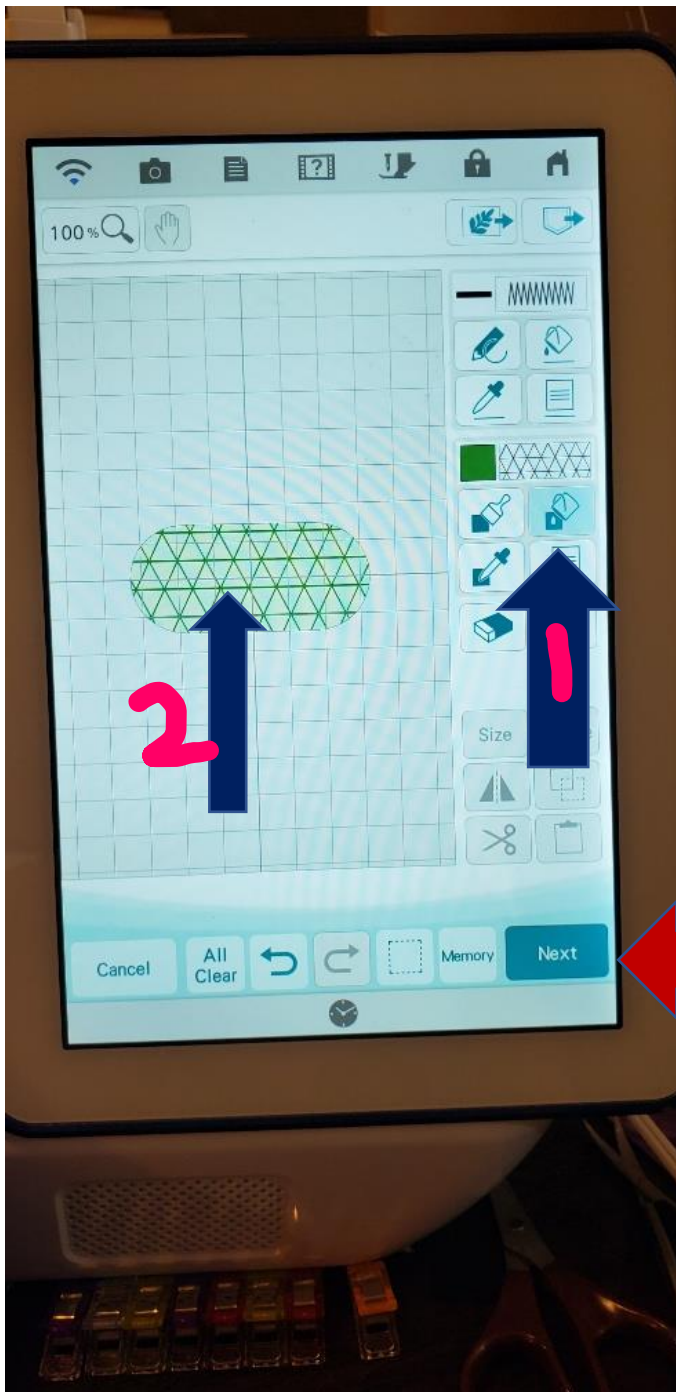
- Touch My Design Center
- Touch the shapes icon in the regions box.
- Select the shape you'd like to see as a background to your letters. Touch OK.





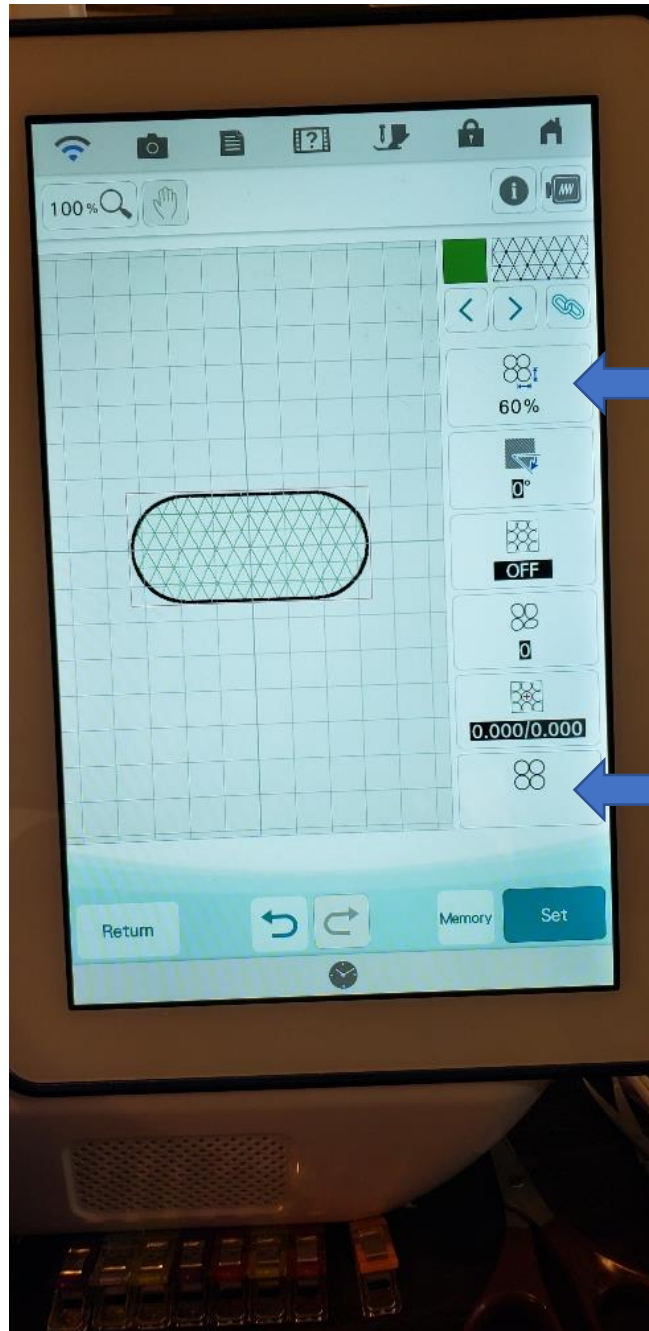
- Tap the red box. Tap the 3rd icon (the one on the right) in the middle of the screen.
- You should now see a box that says “select” – tap it. Choose design # 40. Touch OK. Touch OK again.





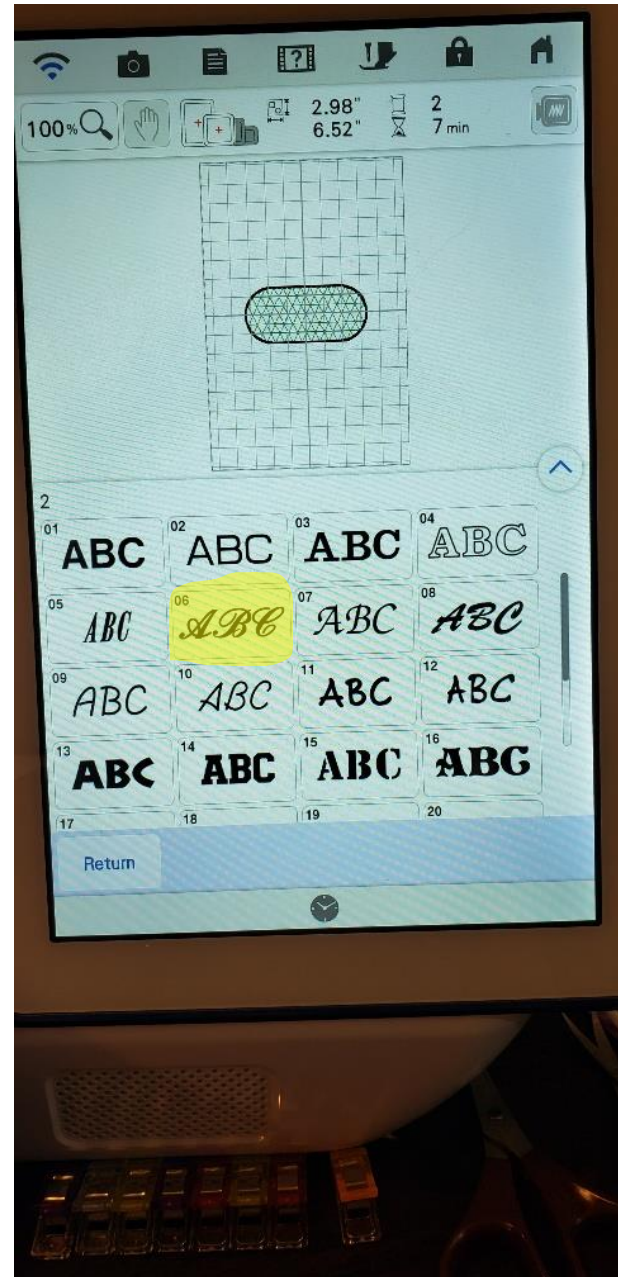
- Tap the paint can under the regions (red) box.
- Tap the center of the shape you chose.
- Your design is now in the shape. This will help keep the nap of the terry cloth under control.
- Tap Next

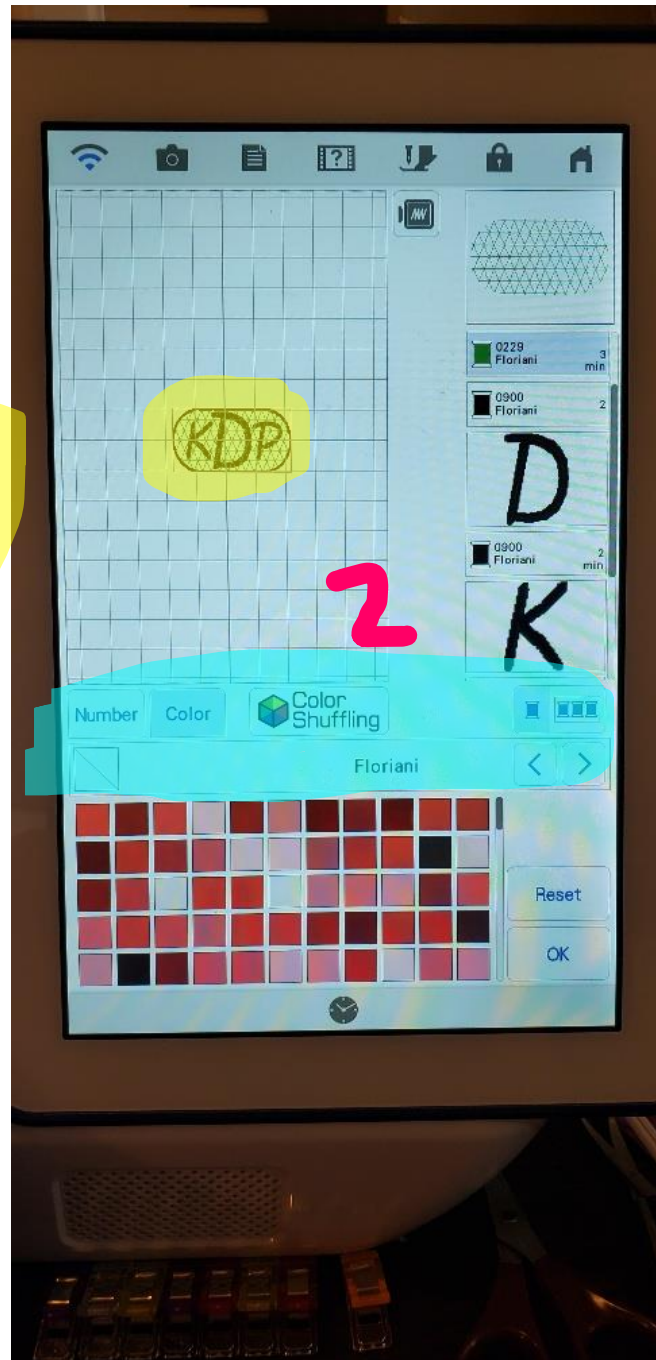
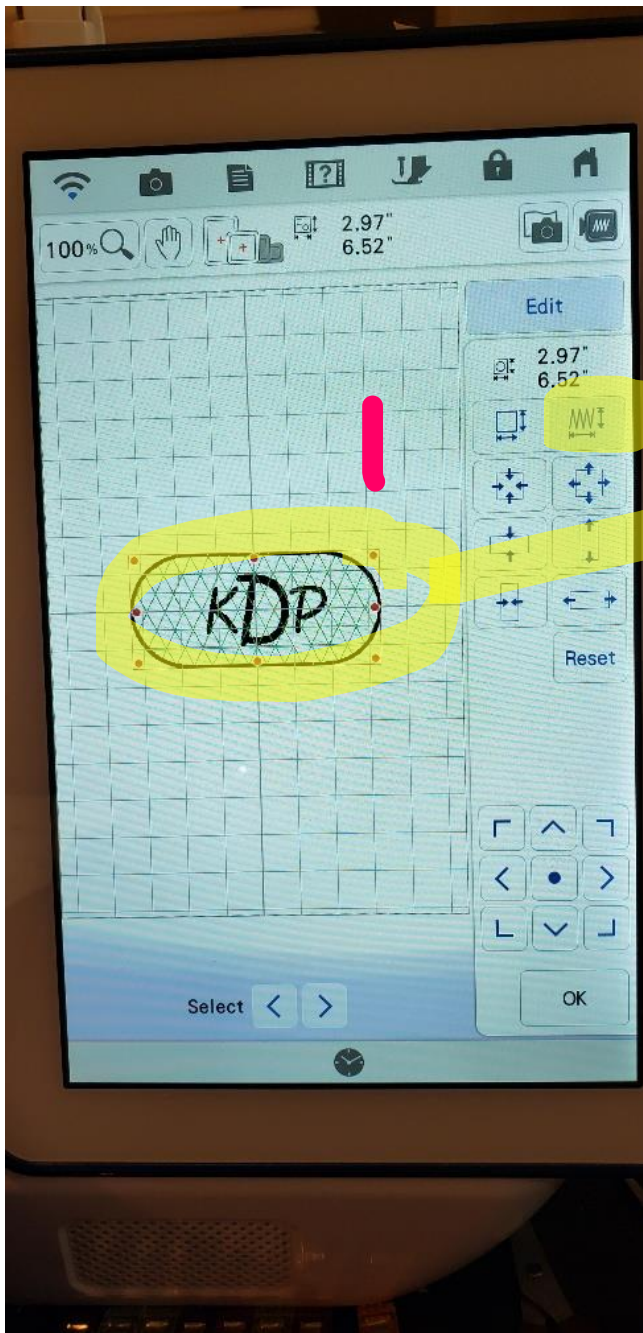




- Choose Single thickness (at the bottom)
- Choose 60% (at the top)
- Tap Set, Tap ok

- Tap Add, Choose #2, font 6
- Input your last name initial, Tap set, move to center in your shape, Tap edit, size to 2" height
- Tap Add, # 2, font 6, input your first name initial
- Tap set, move it to the left of your last name initial.
- Tap Add, # 2, font 6, input your middle name initial
- Tap set, move to the right of your last name initial.





- Edit size of shape to fit narrowly around your letters and position your letters the way you'd like them to look. Tap OK.
- Program your colors. Play with color shuffling. OK
- Tap Embroidery

# Hooping

- **In the hoop:** Washaway sticky stabilizer (I tried OESD Ultra Clean & Tear Plus, **Floriani Perfect Stick Tearaway**, and Floriani Wet N Stick)
- **Topper:** Water soluble or Heat N Gone topper (I used Floriani Water Soluble Topper)
- **Optional on top:** On one towel, I added a piece of tulle (organza would also work) large enough to cover about 1/2" larger than my design. This helped keep the terry cloth nap from covering over the monograms, but with the Nap control stitching, it wasn't needed.

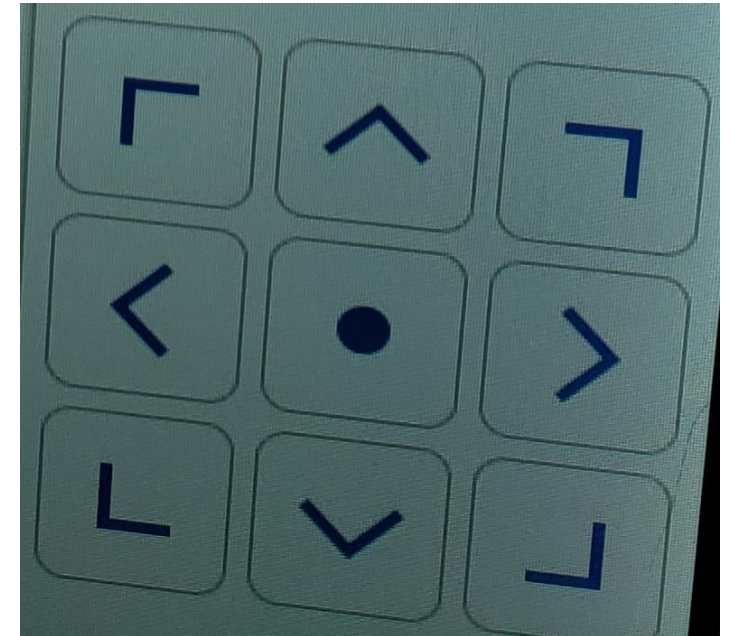
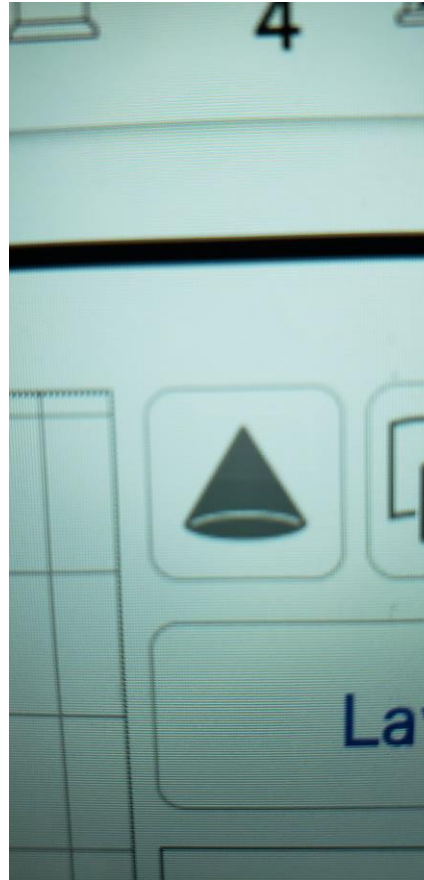


- Hoop your stabilizer. Mark the center with a pen.
- Mark the center of your towel by folding it in half lengthwise. Mark the corners and center of your design placement. (If you would like a different placement, just decide where you want it, and mark a box.)
- Float your towel right side up on top of the stabilizer. Center the area to be embroidered on the hoop.
- (If using tulle, lay it on top of the area to be embroidered at this time.)
- Place your topper over the design area and tape it down at the corners.





- Use the same color thread on top and in the bobbin.
- Place your prepared hoop with towel in the machine.
- Tap the projector icon, then move your design to the desired position using the arrows at the bottom right of your screen.
- Tap settings and change the embroidery foot height to 0.100 for the initial stitchdown (nap control) because the nap of the terry cloth is thick. Tap OK.



## Almost there:

\* After the shape is stitched down, you'll need to go back into settings and change the embroidery foot height back to 0.060 (factory height) for the letters to stitch out.

- Begin stitching. Monitor closely so the topper doesn't get smushed up.

# **Finishing**

- Remove the hoop from the machine and your towel from the hoop.
- Trim the jump stitches.
- Remove the topping and the excess stabilizer.
- Admire your beautiful monogrammed towel!!!

# Clean-up

Please:

- Remove the needle, bobbin, and thread from the machine and return them to the front table;
- Remove the embroidery foot and place it in the “garage”;
- Turn off your Luminaire, open the needle plate, and clean out the area using the brushes in your “garage”;
- Replace the bobbin casing and needle plate.
- Thank you.



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