

Lace Basket by Karen McAdams

Fits 5x7 Hoop



Hoop WSS (water soluble stabilizer- I use Vilene)

Thread machine with thread color you want for main part of basket. Use the same color thread in the bobbin.

Stitch Color 1

Thread machine with thread color you want for edging. Use the same color thread in the bobbin.

Stitch Color 2

Thread machine with thread color you used for main color of basket. Use the same color thread in the bobbin.

Stitch Color 3

Thread machine with thread color you used for edging. Use the same color thread in the bobbin.

When stitching is finished, remove hoop from machine and unhoop the basket parts.

Carefully trim WSS close to edges of basket parts.



Lay basket parts flat on parchment, freezer or wax paper.

Spray liberally with water until you see that the WSS is dissolved.



Let dry flat.

Basket parts should be stiff, if you want you may spray with starch and let dry flat.

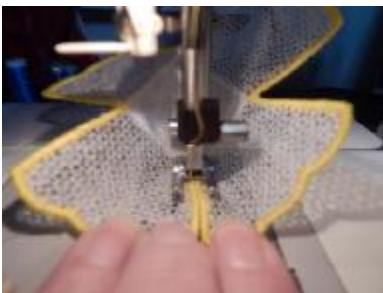


When dry, press so that basket pieces are flat, use a press cloth and do not use steam.

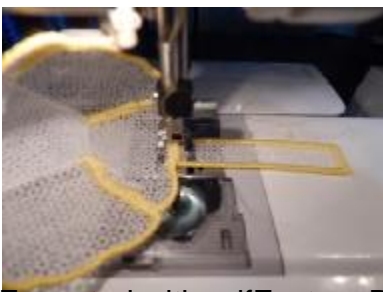
Fold each of the sides up to help form the basket shape. Use a press cloth.



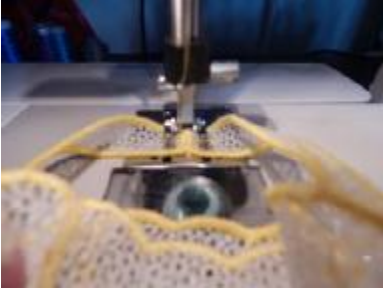
Using your sewing machine and matching thread, sew two adjoining sides together by butting up the edges of the sides, right sides up, using a zigzag stitch (I set mine to 1.5 length and 3.5 width), secure with backstitch. Sew each side together forming the basket (This is a little awkward but just take your time it will form the basket with wrong side out).



Attach each piece of the handle to opposite sides of the basket with ends of the handle on what is right now the outside of the basket (which is really the inside of the basket), using zigzag stitch.



Butt the ends of the handle together and sew together with zigzag stitch. Secure with backstitching.



Now turn the basket right side out!



Wouldn't these make great place cards for Easter dinner!