

## Inkjet Iron-on Cotton

### **Washable cotton sheets for inkjet printers that can be ironed on to any natural fabric**

Print directly onto these 100% cotton iron-on sheets using a top-loading inkjet printer. The fabric sheets have a paper backing to help them feed through your printer smoothly.

They are so simple to use; print onto them as if printing normal paper, then peel off the backing paper and iron your printed cotton design onto any natural fabric.

### **Instructions**

Do not attempt to remove or reposition the backing paper prior to printing.

**Step 1** - Choose your design and size it to fit your iron-on sheet, make sure that it will also fit onto the natural fabric item that you wish to decorate. Iron-on cotton can only be applied to natural fabric or synthetics capable of withstanding high temperatures because a hot iron is used to fuse your printed cotton design to the fabric item you wish to decorate. Look for a label on the fabric item you wish to decorate and check that it shows an iron with three dots in it or test by pressing a hot iron to a discreet area, if it begins to burn or shrivel, it is not appropriate

**Step 2** - Sometimes the iron-on cotton sheet curls, if this occurs gently roll it in the opposite direction to the curl to flatten it before placing it into your printer feed tray. Make sure it is straight and that you will be printing onto the fabric side of the sheet. Set your print quality to 'Photo Quality' or similar, leaving the paper type as 'Plain Paper' or similar. Select the correct paper size, then print. If the fabric catches on the side of the printer whilst printing you can use your finger to gently encourage it back into the correct feed position

**Step 3** - Leave your printed sheet to dry. If you wish to cut out your design, do this before removing the backing paper

**Step 4** - Place the fabric that you wish to decorate onto a hard, heatproof surface like a thick wooden chopping board, then carefully peel the backing paper off of the iron-on cotton and position it, printed side up, on the fabric. Press the iron-on cotton firmly with a hot, dry iron for 1 minute, or use a heat press for 15-20 seconds, to fuse it to the fabric. If using an iron, move the iron around slowly, covering all areas evenly. Keep the iron moving continuously to avoid scorching the fabric. Do not use steam!

**Step 5** - Test whether the iron-on cotton has fused to the fabric by gently trying to peel it away, if it starts to peel away continue ironing evenly or press again with the heat press until all areas are fully fused.

### **Washing Information**

The iron-on cotton sheets are pre-treated with a non-toxic chemical to help fix ink from inkjet printers. They are very robust, and can be hand washed in warm water or washed in the machine on a cool (30°C), gentle cycle using a small amount of regular fabric detergent. When machine washing, turn the decorated fabric item inside out (if possible) to help protect the iron-on cotton design