

Premier+™ Embroidery and Premier+™ Create

A LESSON IN LACE

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Freestanding lace is easy to create and can be created in any shape and size. Lace embroidery can be used to embellish towels, jeans, create lightweight pockets for shirts, and many other wearable items. You can also create decorative doilies, pillows, table runners, placemats etc.

Reset All Modules

1. Double click to open the **Premier+™ Embroidery System**.



2. Double Click to open **Premier+™ Configure**.



Premier+ Configure

3. Click the **Reset All Modules** button.



4. Click OK.

5. Click on the **Export** tab; uncheck the **Combine** and **Remove Overlap** Stitches.

6. Click **OK**.

7. Double click on **Premier+™ Embroidery**.

Premier+ Create – Creating the Lace

8. Open **Premier+™ Create**



9. Click – **Start a new Design with no Picture**.

10. In the **Select Background Type** box. Click **Next**.

11. Click **Change Hoop**

12. Change the Hoop Group to Universal and the Hoop Size to 150mmx150mm Square Hoop 2.

Orientation - Natural

13. Click **OK**. Click **Finish**

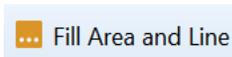
14. Click on the **Quick Create** tab.

15. Select both **Pattern Fill** box and **Satin Line** box.



16. Click the down arrow on the **Pattern Fill** box. Change from Pattern Fill to Crosshatch Fill.

17. Click on the **Fill Area and Line** box.



18. Click the **Options** tab.

19. Set the Crosshatch pattern **Gap** to 2.0 mm and the **Stitch Type** to **Double with Zig Zag Return**.

- The Crosshatch fill grid size will change based on the size of Gap you apply to it. The larger the Gap setting the larger the squares.
- The Double with Zig Zag Return is a two step stitch with a narrow zig zag return. This stitch will create a light cording effect for the lace.

20. Click **OK**.

21. Choose **Square 1**. 

22. Click on the Shape icon. 

23. Change the size of the square. Click and drag a corner of the Crosshatch square to 76mm x76mm. Approximately 7 by 7 squares on the workspace grid.

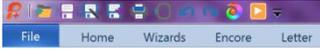
24. **Rotate** - Click and drag on the round dot of the selection box to rotate the square to create a diamond shape.

25. Click on the **Home** tab.

26. Click the drop down arrow under **Copy** and choose **Copy Embroidery**.

Premier+™ Embroidery - Finishing the design

27. Open - **Premier+™ Embroidery**.

28. Use the Quick Access bar  to select the Hoop icon. Change the hoop size to Universal 150mm x150mm Square Hoop2.

29. Click on the drop down arrow under **Paste** and choose **Paste into Center**.

30. Click on the **SuperDesign** tab.

31. Choose **Category - Flower and Leaves/ Flowers1/ Daisy**.

32. Click **Apply**

33. Click on the **Encore** tab.

34. Choose the Circle. 

35. Change **Repeats** to 12

36. Click **Preview**.

37. Click **Apply**. 

38. Click and drag the circle of daisies into the lace square (if not already centered).

38. Click the **Letter** tab

40. From the **Modern Category** choose the **Rosita 12-32mm font**.

41. Place your letter of choice in the letter box.

42. Change the font size to **30mm**.

43. Click **Apply**.

44. To change the letter color – Double click on the blue bar in the **Design Panel**. Select white for the color change.

- The white thread in Quick colors will be in the **Standard** theme. The small arrow to the right of the Quick Color box will display different color themes.

45. Click **OK**.

46. Center the letter in the circle of daisies

Saving your design

47. Click the **File** tab

48. Choose **Save**. 

49. Save design - as **LaceDaisies** in the **My Designs** folder as a **vp4** file.

50. Click **Save**.

- A **vp4** file will allow you to resize and edit the design in the future.

51. Choose the **File** tab again.

52. Click on **Export** to create a file format that your machine can read.

53. Change the **File Format** to **Husqvarna/Pfaff (vp3)**.

54. Uncheck the **Combine** and **Overlap Stitches** command.

- **Important-** If the **Combine** and **Overlap Stitches** boxes remain checked the lace stitching will be removed from behind the SuperDesigns and Letter. This will cause the lace design to become weak and could fall apart.

55. Click **OK**.

56. **File Name** should read **LaceDaisiesExported**

57. **Save as Type** should read **Husqvarna/Pfaff (vp3)**.

- When the design is exported as a **vp3** it has now become a format that your machine can read. **LaceDaisiesExported** is the design you will choose for your machine.

58. To create the freestanding lace you will need to use a water soluble backing such as **INSPIRA® Aqua Magic**

59. Embroider the design as you would a normal design.

60. When the design is finished remove the hoop.

61. Cut away the excess water soluble backing.

62. Place the embroidered design in water. Let the design rest and rinse for 3-5 minutes.

63. Place your embroidered lace on a towel to dry.

