Decorative Fills in IQ Designer

IQ Designer has several options to fill an area. All these options are located in the Region Properties Menu. One of these options is a choice of Decorative Fills. These different fill patterns can be manipulated by changing the scale or rotation of the pattern. Once stitched, these fill patterns can be embellished in a variety of creative ways. Let's create a simple fill.

CREATE A DECORATIVE FILL



In the IQ Designer workspace, create any shape or choose a hoop under the Shapes icon. By choosing a hoop, the fill pattern will completely fill all the embroider-able areas of the hoop. A shape can also be filled with any of the fill patterns. After selecting a shape,

make any changes to a shape using the various icons such as size, rotate or erase. Put this shape into the memory of the machine if you want to use the modified shape again by touching the memory key at the bottom of the workspace.





Touch the Menu icon in the Region Properties box to go to the Region Property screen, Touch

the Select icon to display the Decorative Fill options. Touch OK and choose any color. Touch OK. The fill and color that you chose will be displayed in a small window in the Region Properties box. To place the fill into the shape, touch the Cup icon in the



Region Properties box and then touch anywhere inside the shape. A representation of the fill and the fill color will show inside the shape on the workspace.



The outline of the shape can be changed to a no sew line in the Line Properties menu. In the Line Properties box, select the Menu and then the no sew line. Touch the Cup icon and then touch the line around the fill on the screen. Any type of line except the No Sew selection can be changed in the next Embroidery Properties screen, so choose the No Sew option before touching Next.

CHOOSE THE LOOK OF THE DECORATIVE FILL

Send this artwork to the Embroidery Properties page by selecting the Next icon on the bottom right of the screen. The workspace will change to the Embroidery Properties screen. Select the fill pattern if it is not already selected by touching it on the screen. Now that it is selected we can remove the outline, change the scale and rotation of the Decorative Fill. Always touch Set to keep any changes.

- Size (Scale) refers to the density of the fill pattern. The ranges are from 50% to 200% in increments of 5%. The smallest percentage is a more dense and "filled in" design.
- Direction (Angle/Rotation) refers to the variation from square that the design will stitch. The design can be rotated 360 degrees in increments of 15 degrees.
- Outline allows the design to stitch or not to stitch along the perimeter of the shape. Turning the outline off creates more thread cuts and jump stitches along the edge and will probably increase the actual run time of the design.

CHECK THE DESIGN AND SEND IT TO EMBROIDERY

Select Preview in the lower right of the screen. This displays the embroidery as it will stitch when sent to embroidery. When Memory is selected in this screen, the design is saved as an embroidery design. (The design can also be saved as an embroidery design in the Embroidery screens.) To change the settings and any part of the artwork, select the Return key to re-visit any of the previous screens and make changes. When saved in any previous screen, this is saved as Artwork into the memory of IQ Designer and can be recalled into IQ Designer to be modified. To send the design to embroidery edit, select Set in the lower right corner of the screen.

CREATIVE OPTIONS

Paint part of the design to highlight it.

Add hot fix crystals, small buttons and embellishments.

Stitch design in variegated thread.

Layer different fills one on top of the other.





