

# Embroidery Big Impact with Small Designs

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# **Supplies**

- Small Embroidery Designs
- Embroidery Thread and Embroidery Bobbin Thread
- Embroidery stabilizer depending on project (Floriani Medium Tearaway used in Video)
- Embroidery Machine with Color Sort feature as in the Baby Lock Vesta

### Instructions

# Where are the Small Designs?

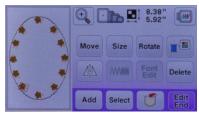
Smaller designs are widely available for purchase and download online. Many online embroidery design companies have small designs available and some are "free samples". Most machines have smaller designs

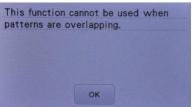


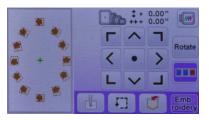
built in, but they may be "hidden". Look in embroidery design categories that you may have not explored on your machine. On the Baby Lock Vesta, small designs are located in the large letters and buttonhole embellishments categories.

# Color Sorting Makes Stitching Quick

Color sorting is available on the Baby Lock Vesta and the feature is available with a touch of the button on the embroidery positioning screen. The machine will separate and group the same color of multiple embroidery designs resulting in fewer thread changes. If any designs overlap, the machine will not sort the colors. A design overlaps another when any part of the red selection box touches or overlaps another red selection box of any other design. To optimize color sorting, make certain that no design overlaps and all colors of the designs match exactly. One way to ensure that colors match is to save any design with changes into the memory of the machine and recall any repeated design from the memory. There are many color choices in the machine. Find a color chip that can easily be re-located to change colors if multiple unique designs are going to be modified and then color sorted.











## Layer Embroidery Designs

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do not overlap. Place this into the memory of the machine. Add additional designs in between the previous designs and then delete the previous designs. Designs could also be moved on the screen and this arrangement saved. Remember to save the new placement into the memory of the machine. Stitch one set

without removing the fabric from the hoop. Arrange designs on the embroidery screen that

of designs using color sort and then recall the second set to color sort and stitch.

### Use a Frame to Accurately Place Small Designs

To create an arrangement of designs with a unique shape such as a circle or heart, use any of the shape designs built into the machine. Select the Shapes Design category and any of the shapes. Multiple stitch design options are available for each shape. Use any of the design options with additional small designs using the layering technique described in the previous paragraph. When using just the shape for placement, select the single stitch option. Enlarge or reduce the shape to the desired size. Arrange designs using the shape as a guide. Make sure the designs do not overlap. Place this into the memory of the machine. Add additional designs in between the previous designs and then delete the previous designs along with the shape used for placement. Recall the first embroidery arrangement, delete the shape, color sort and stitch the design. Recall the second design, color sort and stitch over the first.

