

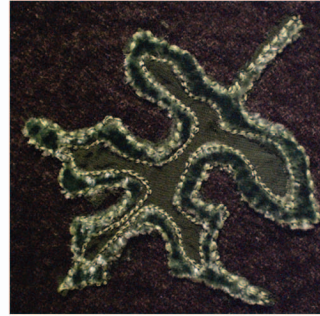
Hand Applique with Etched Elegance Designs

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Embroider the designs that you intend to applique. Apply Fiber Etch to designs and approximately 3/8" on outside of each design (this gives a thinner fabric to turn for a smooth applique edge!)

Pin the applique to the fabric. Try to hide pin holes by placing pins close to stitching areas.

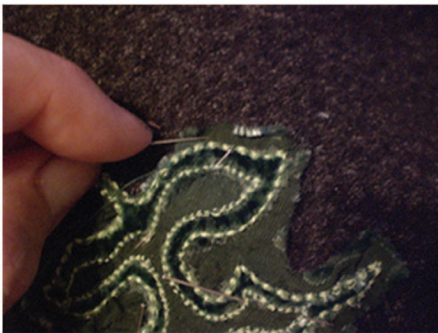


Add beads or rhinestones for a little sparkle!



I used this technique on the vintage jacket pictured. It added a decorative touch while keeping the integrity of the jacket and the vintage look.

Thread a small needle with a thread color to match the applique. Clip and turn the sheer fabric under the applique, using the outer stitching as a guide.



Continue in this fashion until the applique is completely sewn down. In areas that require more clipping, Fray Check can be applied to prevent any future raveling.

While an all-over design with this technique would be quite time consuming, adding a few as embellishments requires a minimum amount of time and is sew couture!

Happy sewing!

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