



MINNIE MOUSE JEAN JACKET

There's nothing like a well-loved jean jacket. It's timeless. But sometimes even timeless items need a little refreshing. In this project, I'll teach you an affordable way to give a second life to an old jean jacket.

This project uses the Brother Innov-is NQ3500D. I'll provide instructions for reproducing the design shown here. But your creativity is virtually limitless—the NQ3500D is programmed with so many embroidery designs, you can customize your creation any way you want. Let this serve as a guide to help you discover your own machine.

Skill Level: Easy

Finished Measurements: 17cm x 17cm

Cutting & Sewing Time: 2 hours

SUPPLIES

- Brother Innov-is NQ3500D
- ScanNCut (optional)
- Jean jacket
- Embroidery backing “peel and stick”
- Brother embroidery thread
- 1 piece of fabric 17cm x 17cm
- Brother iron-on fabric appliqué contact sheet (CASTBL1) 17cm x 17cm
- Scissors
- Fabric marker
- Ruler
- Iron



BEFORE



AFTER



brother
at your side



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Step one

Preparation of the embroidery placement

1. With the machine off, install your embroidery unit and the embroidery foot "U".
2. Turn the machine on. Touch anywhere on the screen. Touch the embroidery key to sew embroidery.
3. To embroider Minnie, go to the Disney designs and select the Minnie design:
4. Note the dimensions of the embroidery so you can position it exactly where you want Minnie to appear on your jacket. (see figure 1)
5. Install the "peel and stick" embroidery backing (glossy side up) in the embroidery frame set (extra large). (see figure 2)
6. Using a sharp object, prepare to score the paper that covers the sticky part of the embroidery backing. Score all along the inside of the frame and score an "X" from opposite corners. (see figure 3)
7. Next, lift a corner of the backing paper, starting from the centre, and remove it all. (see figure 4)
8. On your jean jacket, using the embroidery dimensions, find the centre and mark it. (see figure 5)
9. Ensure the embroidery unit is installed on the machine. Stick your jean jacket on the embroidery frame, aligning the centre of each.



Figure 1

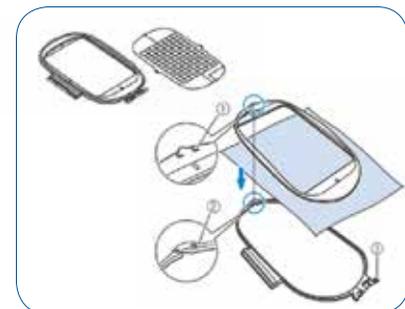


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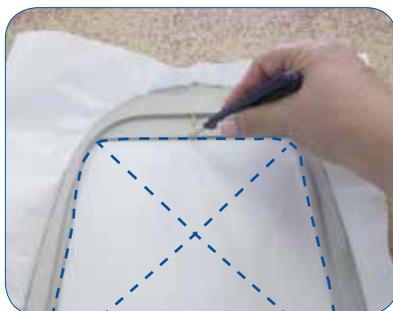


Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5



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Step two

Embroider the jean jacket design.

1. Follow these steps:



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3

2. Install the colour thread indicated. Lower the foot and start embroidering. Repeat these steps until you've completed the design.

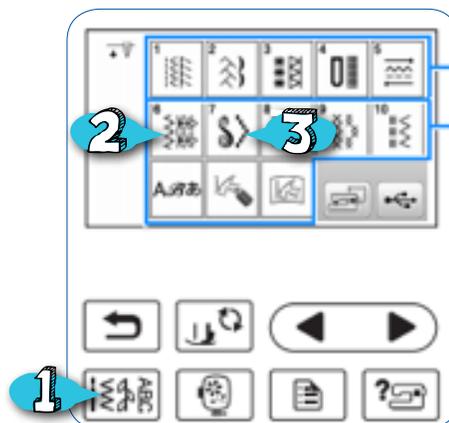


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Step three

Add decorative seams to your jean jacket.

1. Make sure the machine is turned off and unplugged. Remove the embroidery unit and the embroidery foot "U." Install the flat bed attachment.
2. On the inside of the top cover of the sewing machine you can view all available stitches.



- 1 Press this button here.
- 2 You can find stitches 6-43 and 6-64 here
- 3 Stitches 7-13 and 7-14 are here.

The selected decorative seams are:

- A. 7-14 for the hem of the collar
- B. 6-43 and 6-64 for the front of the jacket
- C. 7-13 for the waistline



3. Load your machine with red thread (the same type used for the embroidery). Install the required foot according to the seam you've chosen. For the neck hemline, feel free to use the pivot function of your machine. This allows you to rotate your work without letting go with your hands. (See Page B-44 of your instruction manual.)



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Step four

Apply free motion appliqué hearts.

1. Stick the appliqué contact sheet on your 17cm x 17cm fabric by following the recommended instructions.
2. Select the heart shape template. Cut the hearts out using scissors or your ScanNCut.
3. Place the hearts on your jacket and use your iron to adhere them in place. (see figures 6-7)
4. Install the free-motion open-toe quilting foot “O”.
5. Lower the feed dogs. To find the feed dog position switch, lift up the flat bed attachment at the back of your machine.
6. Thread the machine with a contrasting colour to your fabric.
7. Go around each heart three times with broad stitches. Don't turn the garment. Move around the fabric as if you were drawing with a pencil. (see figure 8)



Figure 6

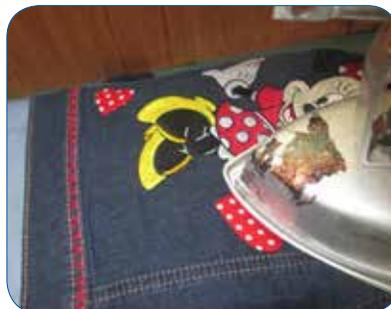
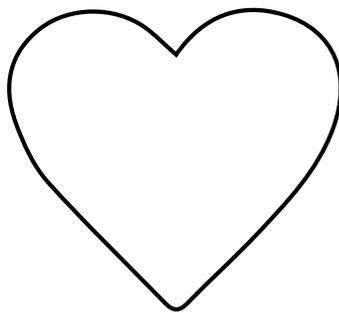
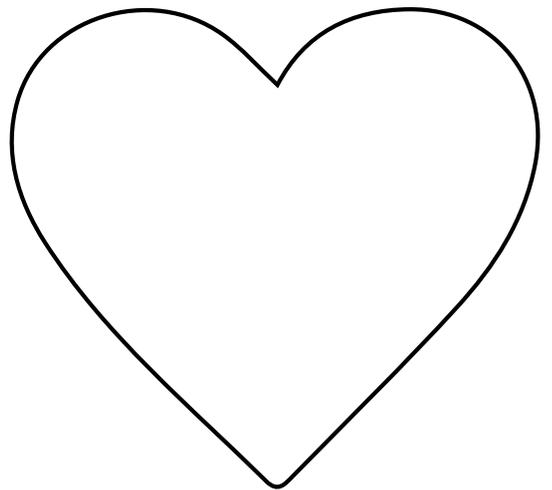
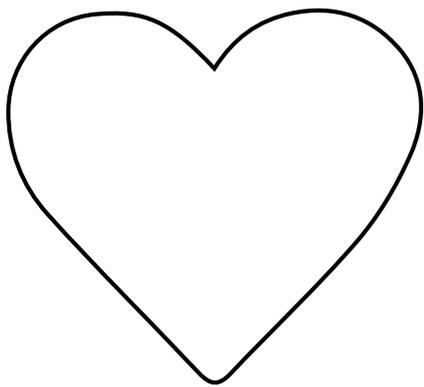
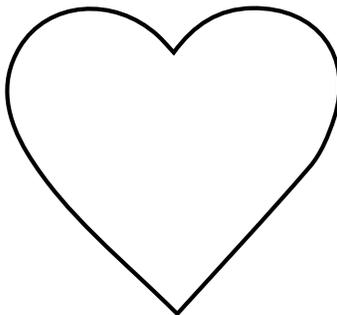
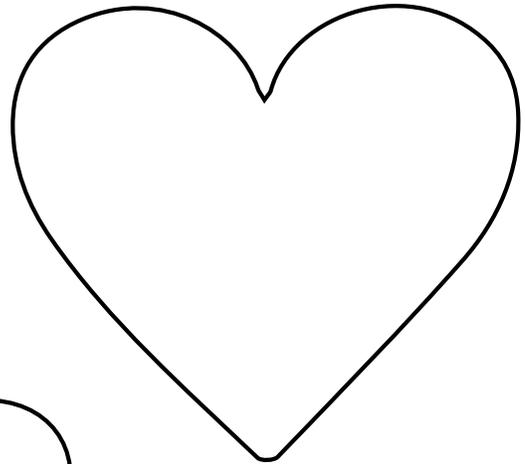
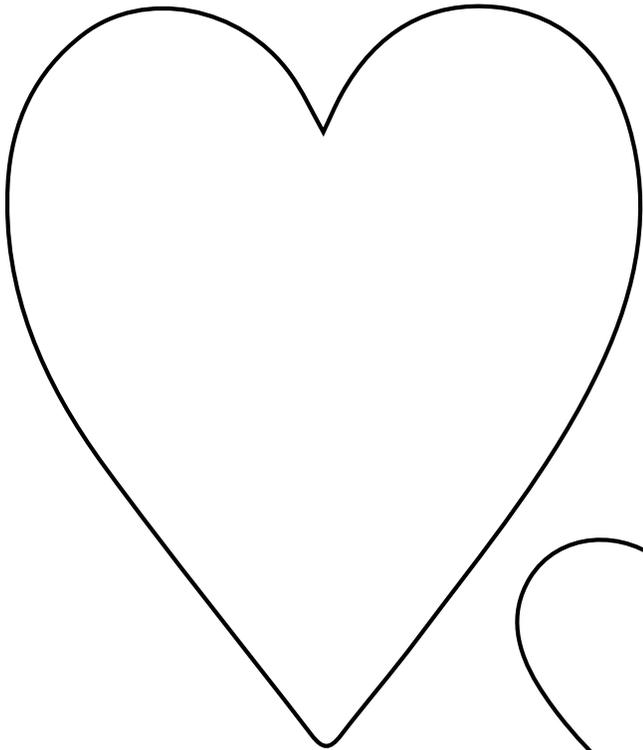


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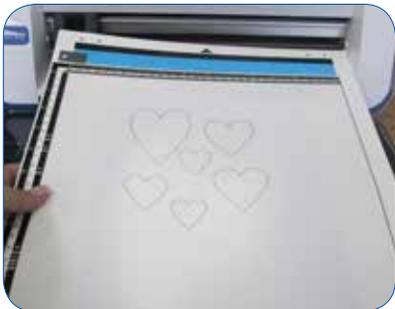
Figure 8





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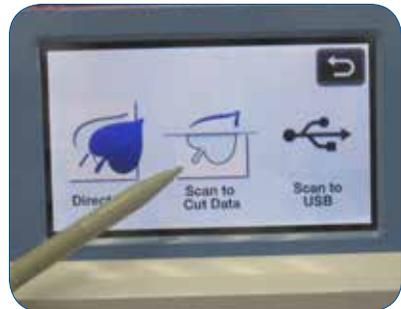
How to cut out hearts with the ScanNCut:



Apply heart design to your mat.



Scan in the design and save to your machine.



Once saved, go back to your homescreen and retrieve your saved data



Place your fabric coated with iron-on fabric appliqué facing up, and the backing paper removed. (I recommend that you use Brother iron-on fabric appliqué contact sheets as they will make it easier to remove your hearts later.)



Scan your media with the fabric on top. This way you'll be able to see exactly where the hearts will be cut out.



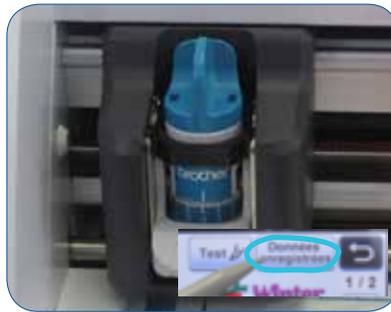
Place the hearts in the centre of your fabric, then press OK.



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For a smooth cut, go to your tools palette and adjust the pressure of the cut.



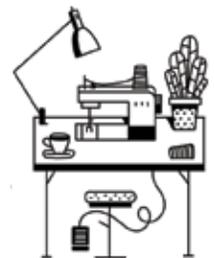
Set your blade according to your fabric. Do a test before cutting.



Now cut your hearts out. All of this only took 30 seconds!



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