

Lace & Organza Ornament Cover



Stunning freestanding lace and sheer organza come together to create a beautiful ornament cover for your Christmas tree! Project instructions demonstrate how to stitch and assemble the stunning design.

Project Needs & Notes:

- 1/4 yard organza
- Water-soluble stabilizer (like Vilene or Sulky Ultra Solvy)
- Temporary spray adhesive (such as Gunold's KK100)
- Hand sewing needle or glue
- 1/8" ribbon

The design featured in this tutorial include:
[X13533, Organza Ornament Cover \(Lace\)](#)

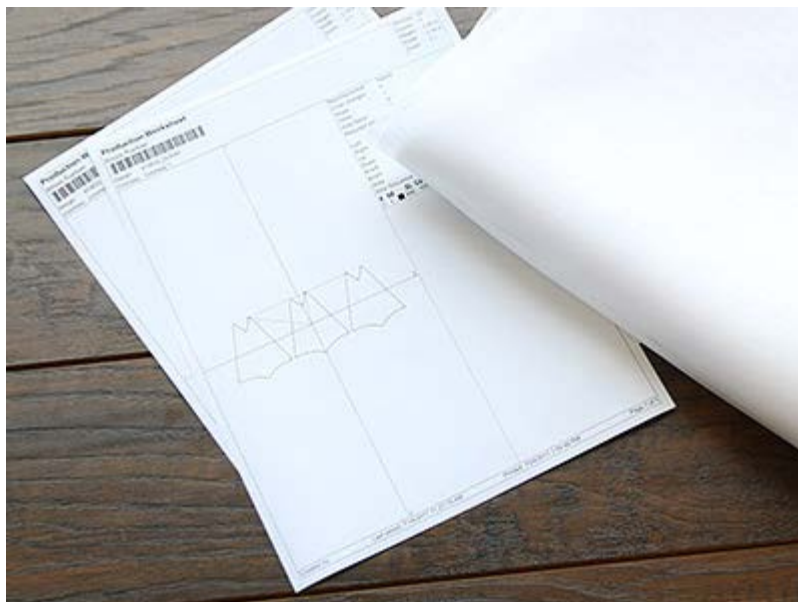
Special Notes:

To make a completed poinsettia, you will need to sew two of the embroidery files.

This ornament cover fits an ornament that is 2 1/2" tall, and between 8" and 8 3/8" around. Measure the height to the top of the sphere, not including the cap and hanger. Measure the circumference at the widest part of the bulb.

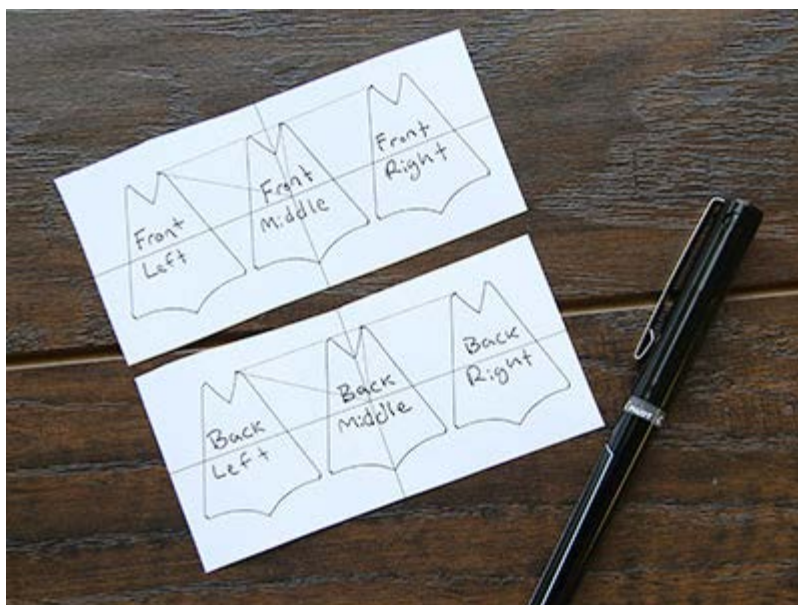
When you download the lace ornament cover design, you will find a total of three files. One of the files is embroidery file and the other two are dieline files marked with the letters DL.

Dielines are used to cut the fabric to the right shape and size. Open the dieline files with an embroidery software, and print



them.

If you do not have embroidery software, [Wilcom's TrueSizer](#) is a free program to use.



Label the paper dielines with "front" and "back".

Also label them with "left", "middle", and "right" to show their order on the ornament cover.

This will keep the pieces in order and prevent them from being mixed up while embroidering.



Spray the backside of the front dieline printout with temporary adhesive and smooth it on top of the fabric.



Cut out the shapes and repeat to make all the dieline pieces. In the end there should be six pieces.

After cutting, make sure to fold up one corner of the paper dieline to make it easier to remove later.



Lace organza designs have been specially digitized for water-soluble stabilizer. After the stabilizer is removed, beautiful lace and organza remains.



There are a couple of different kinds of water-soluble stabilizer.

One is clear and plastic, and that brand is Sulky Ultra Solvy. The other is soft and fibrous, called Vilene. Both will work very well. Vilene is used in this demonstration.

Use a size 11 or 75/11 sharp sewing needle. A sharp sewing needle has a smaller, finer point than an embroidery needle. That means it will make smaller holes in the stabilizer.



Lace organza is seen from both sides, so wind a bobbin with the same thread that you're using in the needle.



Hoop the stabilizer firmly. Make sure it is nice and tight with no wrinkles.



Load the embroidery file onto the machine (not the dieline), and embroider the design.

The first thing to embroider will be a dieline, or outline stitch. This marks the area on the stabilizer where we'll place the middle front fabric piece.



Spray the back of the middle front piece with temporary adhesive.

Remove the hoop from the machine, but do not unhoop the stabilizer.

Place the middle fabric piece right inside the sewn dieline (after removing the paper).



Reattach the hoop to the machine and continue with the design.

A tack down will sew next. This binds the middle front fabric piece in place for the remainder of the design.



Look at the color change sheet, and stop the machine before sewing "middle back piece tack down".

Remove the hoop from the machine, but do not unhoop the stabilizer.

Spray the backside of the middle back dieline with temporary adhesive, and place it on the back of the embroidery.



Place the hoop back on the machine, and embroider the middle back piece tack down.

Then carefully follow the color change sheet to embroider the other outlines, place the fabric pieces, and sew the tack downs.

Continue until you have stitched down all four of the other front and back pieces.



Next, all of the inner elements will sew followed by the satin edges and lace borders.



After embroidering, cut the excess stabilizer away.



The stabilizer's packaging should give instructions for removing the excess.

For Vilene, soak the organza pieces for a few moments.



Repeat the previous steps to prepare and embroider a second lace organza piece.



Usually lace organza pieces are allowed to air dry and then pressed before working with them.

For ornament covers, however, working with the pieces while they are damp will allow them to form around the shape of the bulb.

Take the two damp lace organza pieces, and line them up with the right sides together.



Hand sew one side of them together just at the widest point of the lace organza pieces.



Then repeat to hand sew the opposite side, making the two lace organza pieces into one loop.



Turn the ornament cover right side out, and slip it onto the Christmas bulb.

Mold the lace organza to the round shape of the bulb.



Use a tapestry needle to weave an 1/8" ribbon through the two holes found on the top of each the six points of the ornament cover.



Pull the ribbon tight around the cap or the bulb and tie a bow.

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