

## **NEW BORN/DOLL VEST**

### **HOW TO EMBROIDER FLEECE** **WITH GREAT RESULTS**

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## **MATERIAL NEEDED:**

- Fleece
- Wet N Stick® Tearaway by Floriani
- Heat N Gone® by Floriani

Note: I used to recommend the use of Tearaway with spray adhesive and fine tulle as a topping. Since then having to deal with lung issues, I have had to find other alternatives. Wet N Stick® eliminates the need for spray adhesive and doesn't need special handling to avoid messes. Heat N Gone® takes seconds to remove as opposed to lots and lots of minutes to remove the tulle on intricate designs. In the long run, financially, I am not spending a lot more but saving tremendous amounts of time with the topping and my lungs with Wet N Stick®.

**NOTE:** All stitches on hand knitted projects or fleece require ballpoint needles for regular sewing and embroidering.

## **HOW TO EMBROIDER ON FLEECE AND GET PERFECT RESULTS:**

Fleece is a beautiful fabric but sometimes weird in its movement. It can stretch any which way if moved the wrong way. With a few good tips you will get it right on the first try. Note that a ball point needle was used for this project.

1. Hoop one layer of Wet N Stick® with the adhesive side up. With a sponge, wet the stabilizer to activate the adhesive. Don't wet it too much.
2. Place your fleece over it taking care not to stretch it and making sure that the grain of the fabric is straight.
3. Place a piece of Heat N Gone ® with the little bumps facing the fabric.
4. Embroider your design.
5. Tear away as much of the Heat N Gone® as possible. Do not pick at the remnants if you have some. Simply place your heated iron on top of it. Use a heat setting similar to cotton setting.

And here is the end result:



Add decorative stitches all around or ribbons or just plain top stitch with contrasting color thread. Pockets can easily be added. Use your remnants of water soluble stabilizers such as Wet N Gone® and slip them under the fabric while stitching to avoid stretching of the fleece while stitching the decorative stitches.

We sincerely hope that you enjoyed this lesson and that they have helped you achieved the best results.

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