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BABY MOBILE

Design by: CricutInspiration (32 Projects)
About me: Cricut Inspiration will provide you with photos of Cricut made projects, without step-by-step instructions!
Project skill level: advanced
Project time: 2 hours to 3 hours
Project tags: Classic Baby Baby Décor

If you happen to have any fabric scraps left over from a project, creating this baby mobile is perfect to use the leftover fabric. Check out more inspiration by Toni Roberts at designdazzle.com

CRICUT®: WHAT WAS USED

Cricut® Alphabet cartridge

Cricut Expression® 2

OTHER MATERIALS NEEDED

- 14" metal hoop
- 4 patterned fabrics L12" x W44/45"
- 2 solid color fabrics L12" x W44/45"
- monofilament – (ten 31" strings)
- 12 yards of ribbon (2 colors)
- Heat N' Bond Ultra iron-on adhesive
- Glue gun
- Iron
- Scissors

STEP 1

Tips for cutting fabric with the Cricut:
I can't stress how important it is to use good quality cotton fabric when using the Cricut to cut fabric.
Use a new blade.
Very sticky mat
Blade 5 or 6
Pressure 5
Speed medium
Experiment a couple of times on paper to get sizing correct before cutting your fabric.

STEP 2

Iron-on Heat N Bond to the wrong side of your fabric using a dry setting. Make sure the adhesive has a tight bond to the fabric. Repeat ironing if needed.

STEP 3

Peel away the paper backing off the fabric. The back of the fabric will be shiny (that's the adhesive). Place the fabric print side down on the mat with the shiny adhesive side showing. I used a clean fondant roller to roll over the fabric. Apply pressure to adhere the fabric to the mat and also make sure there are no bubbles. This method seems to help the fabric "adhere" better to the mat.

STEP 4

Choose the images for your project. I used the Alphabet Cartridge that is pre-loaded on the Expression 2. The letters are 5" high

STEP 5

I decided beforehand which 4 alphabet letters would be cut with each of the 6 fabrics. Select the images you would like to cut and size them to the size needed. I also cut the "back" of the letters at the same time. So four letters and their reverse letter became 8 letters. Cutting on a 12 x 24" mat works out great

STEP 6

Cut twenty 2.5 inch circles out of the various fabrics.

STEP 7

Place a monofilament string on your ironing board. Arrange each letter and its reverse letter between the monofilament (adhesive sides together). Do the same with the circle, which will be at the very end of the monofilament. Iron long enough to have each letter adhered to it's reverse. If it's too hot, it will melt the monofilament. When finished there will be ten strings of alphabet letters and circles.

STEP 8

Tie the monofilament to the metal hoop with the fabric circles at the bottom of each string. Spacing the strings approximately 4-5 inches a part.
Wrap the ribbon tightly around the metal hoop. Being careful to go around each monofilament. Hot glue the ends to the hoop.

STEP 9

Take the hoop and make a criss-cross shape using a piece of ribbon. Hot glue one end to the hoop and stretch to the other side and back again (total of four times). Hot glue the end in place.
Tie several pieces of ribbon (30 inches in length) several inches apart to the ribbon "criss-cross". The ribbon just hangs in the middle of the mobile.

STEP 10

Figure out the desired length to hang the mobile from the ceiling. Measure three pieces of ribbon in equal length. Glue each end of the ribbon to the hoop at spaced intervals (making sure the mobile hangs evenly.
You've got yourself a darling baby mobile! It's now time to hang.

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