



You Glow Girl! Tote

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Level: Easy

For the shopper with attitude, whether it is you or your BFF, this sassy tote embroidered with Coats Glow in the Dark thread, says it all! We've added the design to a tote, but it could adorn a pillow, purse or sweatshirt. No embroidery machine? No problem—we've included the pattern for an appliqué.

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Supplies

Coats Glow in the Dark embroidery thread, colors 01, 72, 57, 91, 31, 03

Coats Bobbin Thread

Black canvas tote bag, 14" x 14"

Adhesive tear-away stabilizer

Embroidery needle, size 90/14

Embroidery machine with large hoop

Christmas Lights Embroidery design.(#WH0011 (Happy Holiday Lights) from

www.embroidery.com was used in our sample)

Lettering software or built-in letters (Our sample uses the Campbell TrueType font digitized with

Brother PE Design)

Instructions Using customizing software:

1. Use customizing software to remove the lettering from the Christmas lights embroidery design. Increase the size 25% with resizing software that recalculates the stitches to maintain the proper density. Rotate the string of lights 90° counterclockwise.
2. Open a workspace the size of the machine's largest hoop in customizing software and position the Christmas lights to the left of the centerline.
3. Arrange letters to spell "You Glow Girl!" and position them to the right of the centerline. Save the combined design under a new name and transfer it to the embroidery machine.
4. With a removable marking tool, draw a vertical line along the center of one tote side. Measure down 5-1/2" from the tote's top edge and draw a horizontal line. The embroidery will be centered at the junction of these two lines.
5. Hoop adhesive tear-away stabilizer in the machine's largest hoop and expose or activate the adhesive. Turn the tote wrong side out and attach it to the stabilizer with the embroidery location centered.

NOTE: If necessary, open the side seams below the tote hem to access the tote surface for embroidery.
6. Stitch the embroidery design, using a different color of Coats Glow in the Dark embroidery thread for each light on the strand.
7. When the embroidery is complete, remove the excess stabilizer. Replace any seams removed for embroidery and turn the tote right side out.
8. Expose the stitches to sunlight or artificial illumination to "charge" the thread, then turn out the lights for a holiday glow.

To create the tote design without software or a large hoop:

1. Use your machine's controls to enlarge and rotate the design and skip over the letters while embroidering.
2. Make a template of the enlarged embroidery design by stitching it on scrap fabric and use the template to position the Christmas lights to the left of the tote centerline.
3. Hoop adhesive stabilizer, attach the tote with the design placement centered, and embroider all but the lettering included with the design.
4. Spell out "You Glow Girl!" with built-in lettering and use the machine's controls to arrange the words. If necessary, stitch the words in two or more hoopings.
5. Mark a centerline for the words to the right of the tote centerline, opposite the embroidered lights. Hoop a fresh piece of adhesive stabilizer and embroider the words.

To appliqué design:

Additional supplies:

Fabric scraps in colors to match thread colors (approx 2" squares)

Paper-backed fusible web.

1. Fuse web to wrong side of fabric. Trace bulb pattern on each fabric squares. You will need a total of X bulbs. Cut out bulbs. Position bulbs on tote, lightly mark position. Remove paper backing and fuse to right side of tote, following manufacturers instructions.
2. Thread machine with Glow-in-the Dark and bobbin thread. Set machine for a satin stitch (width 3 mm, length 0.35 mm). Place adhesive stabilizer under designs against the wrong side of fabric. Stitch around bulbs.
3. Draw a line connecting bulbs for wire. Satin stitch along marked line.

4. Spell out "You Glow Girl!" with built-in lettering and use the machine's controls to arrange the words. If necessary, stitch the words in two or more hoopings.
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