



Technique:	Sewing and Appliqué
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Skill Level:	Intermediate
Crafting Time:	An evening

Express yourself with colorful crazy quilt appliques. Decorative stitches using Coats thread accents the piecing.

Finished Project Size

As shown 8" w x 8" h (20.3 cm x 20.3 cm)

Supplies

- (A) Coats Dual Duty XP® All-purpose thread in matching/ and contrasting colors
- (B) Linen or muslin for background ½ yd (.45 m)
- (C) Twelve assorted FreeSpirit True Colors by Joel Dewberry 5.5" (14 cm) squares
- (D) Four 8" w x 8" h (20.3 cm x 20.3 cm) Gallery Wrapped Heavy Duty Canvases

Additional Requirements

- Sewing Machine
- Basic Sewing Supplies
- Paper backed fusible web ¼ yd (.23 m)
- Pencil
- Heavy Duty Stapler and Staples

Instructions

Print letters to be used for appliques.

Cutting

(A) Background fabric – Cut 4 – 12" w x 12" h
(30.4 cm x 30.4 cm)

(B) From print squares—Cut into strips of random shapes
and sizes at least 1" (2.5 cm) wide

Assembly

Note: Use a ¼" (.64 cm) seam allowance throughout.

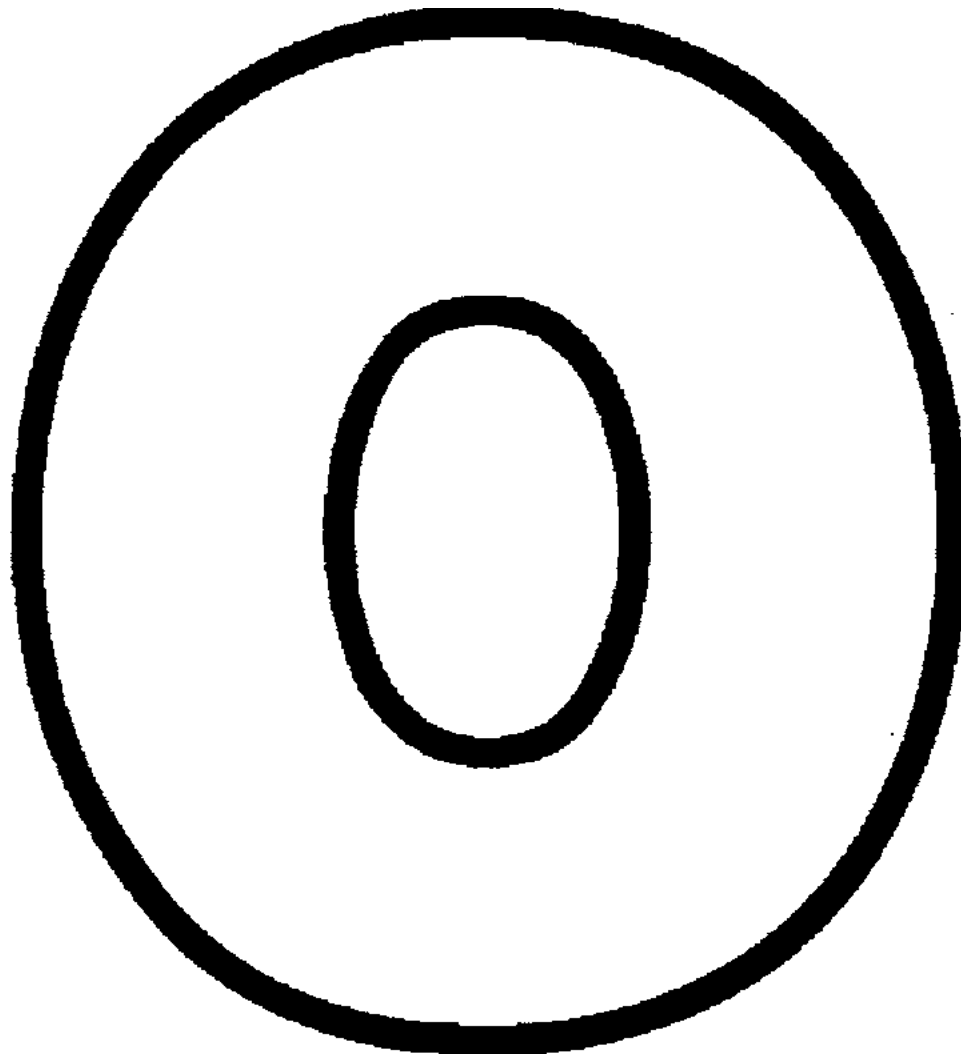
1. For each letter use three coordinating fabrics. Stitch fabrics together alternating strip shape and fabric in a crazy quilt fashion creating a uniquely pieced and stitched fabric square for each letter.
2. Press all seams in one direction.
3. Using contrasting thread, topstitch seams with decorative stitches.
4. Trace letter pattern to smooth side of paper backed fusible web. (Be sure to reverse letter when tracing) Apply web to back of pieced and stitched fabric section following manufacturer's instructions. Cut 1- letter appliqué from each.
5. Center and fuse an appliqué to each 12" w x 12" h (30.4 cm x 30.4 cm) background following manufacturer's instructions
6. Using contrasting thread hand or machine appliqué letters in place.
7. Lightly press.

Finishing

1. Center each appliquéd section to the front of the canvas.
2. Wrap excess fabric to the back, neatly folding and wrapping around at corners. Stretch and staple evenly in place.



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