

KWANZAA HAND TOWELS

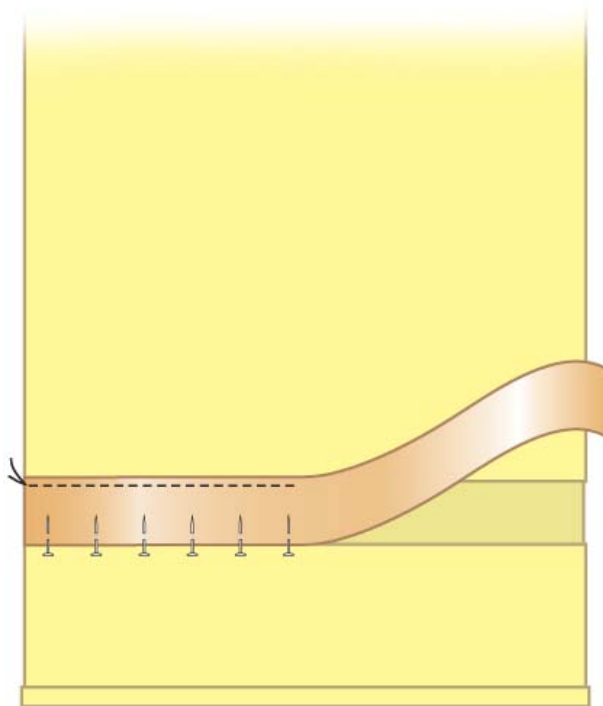
Fruit and the Kwanzaa cup designs are the perfect embellishment for towels at your next Kwanzaa family celebration. The word Kwanzaa means “first fruits” in Swahili and this special holiday is a time for fasting, feasting, and self-examination.

Supplies

Purchased hand towels
1 yard of grosgrain ribbon
1/4 yard of Kwanzaa fabric
Rayon thread
Dual Feed Foot
Edge/Joining Foot
Water-soluble stabilizer
Stick-on stabilizer
Water- or air-soluble marking pen

Directions:

1. Cut a strip of ribbon the width of the towel plus 1/2". Turn under and press 1/4" on each cut edge.
2. Pin the ribbon in place over the woven band of the towel and stitch close to each edge using your Dual Feed Foot.



3. For a fabric trimmed towel, cut a strip of fabric 3"-wide by the width of the towel plus 1".
4. Turn under and press 1/2" along all edges.

5. Pin the fabric strip in place over the woven band of the towel. Stitch close to the edge of the fabric using your Edge/Joining Foot.



6. After transferring the designs from the CD-ROM into the appropriate embroidery format for your machine, set your machine for embroidery and select the fruit or cup Kwanzaa motif.
7. Mark each towel for the embroidery placement.
8. Back the embroidery hoop with stick-on stabilizer. Position the towel over the stabilizer and place the water-soluble stabilizer on top of the towel.
9. Embroider the desired motif, then carefully remove the stabilizer from the front and back of the towel. Any remaining water-soluble stabilizer will disappear in the wash.