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In the Tropics



Window Treatment

SUPPLIES:

We modified Vogue Pattern #7756 to make this window treatment. Adjust the pattern as necessary to fit your window.

- Decorator fabric as required by pattern
- Contrasting fabric for trim
- 1/2" cording
- Tear-away stabilizer
- Husqvarna Viking Single Welt Cord Foot
- Robison-Anton Swirling Sensations embroidery thread
- Husqvarna Viking 3D Professional Embroidery System software
- Husqvarna Viking Designer I, Platinum 950E, Rose, Quilt Designer II or Iris sewing and embroidery machine

Embroidery

We used the Husqvarna Viking 3D Digitizing software to create a palm tree motif using an original drawing inspired by the wallpaper and fabric from Thibaut®. The Husqvarna Viking 3D Professional Embroidery System makes creating designs such as these a breeze! Explore all the possibilities with Digitizing, Stitch Editor and Customizing. You can even choose from over 17 thread manufacturers with over 10,000 threads to match the exact thread color you need.

Mark the placement for your embroidery on the center front of the window valance. Attach the embroidery arm to your Husqvarna Viking sewing machine and stabilize and hoop the fabric. Embroider your motif.

Constructing the Window Valance

Cut a bias strip of contrasting fabric 2" wide by the measurement of the lower edge of the window treatment; piece the strip as necessary to achieve the length. Wrap the bias strip around the cord and stitch using a 1/2" Single Welt Cord Foot.

Machine-baste the cording to the bottom edge of the valance matching the raw edges. Complete the valance as directed in pattern.

Embroidered Towels

SUPPLIES:

- Hand or bath towels of choice
- Tear-away stabilizer
- Wash-away stabilizer
- Husqvarna Viking 3D Professional Embroidery System software
- Robison-Anton Swirling Sensations embroidery thread
- Husqvarna Viking Designer I, Platinum 950E, Rose, Quilt Designer II or Iris sewing and embroidery machine

Embroidery

On each towel, mark a center point for each embroidery design. Using the same palm tree design from the Window Valance project and the Husqvarna Viking 3D Professional Embroidery System, resize the design to fit each towel while maintaining the same stitch density. With a few clicks, you can even view your design in 3D and select your background color and texture. or mirror-image the design from side-to-side or end-to-end for the result you want.

Specify your thread manufacturer and thread color, like Swirling Sensations from Robison-Anton. Swirling Sensations by Robison-Anton is actually two thread colors twisted together to give your embroidery depth and gleam. Over 10,000 threads are included from 17 different thread manufacturer's on the 3D Professional Embroidery system making your designing possibilities endless.

After selecting the correct hoop size, use Husqvarna Viking Quick Fonts Plus, part of the 3D Professional Embroidery system, and choose any TrueType font from your computer to add just the right phrase or a monogram to your design. The patented Quick Font Wizard lets you quickly and easily create your own personal style—108 different fill stitch patterns means the possibilities are truly endless. Place your lettering in a curve, a circle or in a pennant formation based on your final design.



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